



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
December 9, 2008

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Ordinance (Adoption): Change the Frequency of Community Racial Profiling Commission Meetings

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt an **Ordinance** amending section 2.110.090 of the Sacramento City Code, relating to the required frequency of regular meetings of the Community Racial Profiling Commission.

Contact: Jim Maccoun, Captain, 808-0417

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: Public Safety Information Technology

Organization No: 11001381

Description/Analysis

Issue: This modification to Sacramento City Code section 2.110.090 would change the minimum frequency of Community Racial Profiling Commission meetings from “not less than once each month” to “not less than once each calendar quarter.”

Policy Considerations: Staff recommends the ordinance described above to give Community Racial Profiling Commission members the flexibility to conduct meetings as needed but at least once each quarter. The Law and Legislation (L&L) Committee approved the proposed amendment on November 18, 2008.

Environmental Considerations:

CEQA: This report concerns administrative issues that will not have any significant effect on the environment, and thus do not constitute a “project” as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) [CEQA Guidelines sections 15061(b)(3), 15378(b)(5)].

Sustainability Considerations: None.

Commission Committee Action: On November 18, 2008 the Law and Legislation Committee unanimously voted to approve and forward the ordinance to the full City Council.

Rationale for Recommendation: The purpose of this modification of section 2.110.090 is to give Commission members the flexibility to forego a monthly Commission meeting if no agenda items have been scheduled or proposed. Commission meetings would be held "not less than once each quarter" but could potentially be held every month if needed.

Financial Considerations: The proposed revision to section 2.110.090 would have negligible fiscal effects. Each Commission member receives a stipend of \$50 for each meeting attended from the Office of the City Manager, and holding fewer meetings would decrease the total amount paid to Commission members.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Jim Maccoun, Captain

Approved by: 
Rick Braziel, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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ATTACHMENT 1

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In July 2000, the Sacramento Police Department undertook a comprehensive study of traffic stops to address perceptions of racial profiling. In April 2004, City Council approved the establishment of a formal advisory commission that would provide the City with a greater opportunity to be inclusive and allow for equitable representation, accountability, and reporting from Sacramento residents in this issue of national importance. In November 2004, City Council confirmed fifteen members of the Community Racial Profiling Commission. The Commission held its first meeting in January 2005.

As required under Section 2.110.090, the Commission has been meeting “not less than once each month.” At its meeting on May 17, 2007, Commission members discussed requesting that the City Council change Section 2.110.090 to require meetings “at least once a calendar quarter” rather than the present “at least once a month.” The motion to so request was made, seconded and carried at the Commission meeting on July 19, 2007. The Law and Legislation (L&L) Committee approved the proposed amendment on November 18, 2008.

ATTACHMENT 2

ORDINANCE NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

Date Adopted

AMENDING SECTION 2.110.090 OF CHAPTER 2.110 OF THE SACRAMENTO CITY CODE RELATING TO COMMUNITY RACIAL PROFILING COMMISSION

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO:

SECTION 1.

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2.110.090 Commission Meetings

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Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on _____ by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:

MAYOR

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