CITIZENS POLICE REVIEW BOARD MEETING CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE CITY HALL 8TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301 February 11, 2014 – 12:00 P.M.

1/2014 – 12/2014 Cumulative Attendance

Board Members	Attendance	Р	Α
Marc Dickerman, Chair	Р	2	0
Det. Nina Justice, Vice Chair	Р	2	0
Kevin Borwick	Р	1	0
Ted Fling	Α	0	2
Lt. Steve Greenlaw (arr. 12:06)	Р	2	0
Sgt. Adam Solomon	Р	2	0
Kenneth Staab	Α	0	2
Maxine Streeter	Р	2	0
Roosevelt Walters	Р	2	0

It was noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Staff

Capt. Doug MacDougall, Internal Affairs, Fort Lauderdale Police Department

Sgt. Edgar Cruz, Internal Affairs, Fort Lauderdale Police Department

Sgt. Jack Lokeinsky, President, Fraternal Order of Police

Brad Weissman, Assistant City Attorney

J. Opperlee, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communications to City Commission

None.

A. Roll Call

Chair Dickerman called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Roll was called and it was noted a quorum was present.

B. Approve minutes from January 13, 2014

Motion made by Mr. Walters, seconded by Detective Justice, to approve. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

C. General Information

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Mr. Walters asked if a conflict existed because he and Mr. Borwick serve on another community advisory entity together. Chair Dickerman advised that there was no conflict in this case.

Ms. Streeter reported that she had spoken with Assistant City Attorney Brad Weissman regarding the issue of the Ordinance governing the CPRB. Mr. Weissman had been unable to locate a previous opinion from the City Attorney's Office that restricted the Board's authority under this Ordinance. Ms. Streeter recommended that Chair Dickerman reach out to the current City Attorney for an opinion on the Board's powers.

Lt. Greenlaw arrived at 12:06 p.m.

It was determined that the Board members would speak to their respective City Commissioners with respect to this issue, including whether or not those Commissioners might consider amending the Ordinance to restore the Board's original authority. The Board would then discuss the changes they would like to see at the next scheduled meeting.

D. Review the following Internal Affairs investigation:

Complainant: Chief Franklin C. Adderley (IA Case 13-083)

Allegation: 1) Conduct Prejudicial

2) Soliciting a special privilege

Officer: Darren Ogden
Disposition: 1) Sustained

2) Not Sustained

Motion made by Ms. Streeter, seconded by Mr. Walters, to sustain the Internal Affairs finding [of Conduct Prejudicial]. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Motion made by Ms. Streeter, seconded by Mr. Walters, to not accept the findings of the Department of Internal Affairs with regard to Soliciting a Special Privilege.

Ms. Streeter observed that Detective Darren Ogden had been assigned to a case involving a vulnerable individual who was susceptible to potential exploitation, and argued that the Detective's wife would not have been hired were it not for this assignment. She also pointed out that the Detective's wife had ignored the request of the Department of Internal Affairs that she provide a statement regarding this case.

Mr. Walters stated that it was difficult to sustain one Allegation without also sustaining the other. Capt. MacDougall advised that Internal Affairs had not been able to prove or disprove that the Detective's wife was hired as a result of solicitation. It was also pointed out that the Detective did not realize the individual had hired his wife until after the fact.

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The amount of money paid to the Detective's wife was also discussed; while it was not a great deal of money, the issue of solicitation was irrespective of the amount. Ms. Streeter also observed that while the evidence did not substantiate the Allegation that the Detective used his position for personal gain, it did not refer to whether or not his position was used for the advantage of another, which is also referred to in the statute under which the Allegation was made. She concluded that care should be taken with regard to vulnerable individuals and the appearance of impropriety.

Capt. MacDougall observed that the appearance of propriety was taken into consideration under the first Allegation, Conduct Prejudicial, which was Sustained. He reiterated that there was no preponderance of evidence that the Detective had used his position to arrange the hiring of his wife, as the alleged victim had reached out to his wife and not to him to make the arrangement.

In a voice vote, the **motion** failed 1-6 (Chair Dickerman, Vice Chair Justice, Mr. Borwick, Lt. Greenlaw, Sgt. Solomon, and Mr. Walters dissenting).

Motion made by Vice Chair Justice, seconded by Mr. Borwick, to accept the findings of Internal Affairs on the second count of Soliciting a Special Privilege. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed 6-1 (Ms. Streeter dissenting).

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

[Minutes prepared by K. McGuire, Prototype, Inc.]