VANCOUVER POLICE BOARD SERVICE & POLICY COMPLAINT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Meeting minutes
December 14, 2011, 2:15 to 2:30 pm
7th floor boardroom, 2120 Cambie Street, Vancouver, BC

Present: Mary Collins (Chair), Wade Grant, Jason McLean, Patti Marfleet, Gregor

Robertson, Sheryl Williamson, Glenn Wong

Chief Constable Jim Chu, DCC Doug LePard, DCC Adam Palmer

Shona McGlashan, Executive Director

1. Agenda & Minutes

The Committee approved the agenda for the meeting and the minutes from September 14, 2011.

2. **#2011-086SP** (Critical Mass)

The Committee considered the VPD's report on the complaint, which alleged that there was a lack of enforcement of traffic offences during Critical Mass cycle rides.

Supt Mike Porteous outlined the VPD's strategy for crowd management, with particular emphasis on the important of proportionality of any police response, as well as the exercise of police discretion. He concluded that VPD members had acted in compliance with VPD policy on the night of the Critical Mass ride; that the VPD's strategy was based on best practices and well supported in law; and that s.1.7.5 of the *Regulations and Procedures Manual* should be updated to accurately reflect current strategies.

Action:

Pursuant to s. 172 (1)(E) of the *Police Act*, the Committee determined:

THAT the complaint be concluded;

AND THAT the s. 172 (1) notice be sent out to the complainant as required by the *Police Act*.

3. Correspondence and information

The Committee received the following items of correspondence:

- 3.1 Letter from the Police Complaint Commissioner concluding file #2010-081SP
- 3.2 Letter from the Police Complaint Commissioner concluding file #2010-085SP

The meeting was adjourned.

MOVED / SECONDED:

THAT the Vancouver Police Board move into private session to discuss matters which either:

- (a) concern public security, the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to seriously impair effective policing or law enforcement;
- (b) concern a person's financial or personal affairs, where the person's interest in the matter outweighs the public's interest in the matter;
- (c) concern labour contract discussions, labour management relations, layoffs or other personnel matters;
- (d) concern information that a person has requested he or she be allowed to give in private.

CARRIED