

CITIZENS REVIEW BOARDS / POLICE AUDITORS DATA
March 2005

Agency	Type of Committee	Details of Committee
Belmont Police	Outside Attorney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role / Level of Authority: Reviews IAs and reports to Council on thoroughness and objectivity.
Berkeley Police	Police Commission Since 1973	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Nine members appointed by Council. • Role / Level of Authority: Reviews Policies, accepts and investigates citizen complaints. Department also investigates the complaints. Officers compelled to appear. Three-member board of inquiry takes testimony and makes recommendations of either sustained, not sustained, exonerated or unfounded. Hearings are public. (POA is suing re this issue.) Findings are advisory only to Chief and City Manager.
Chula Vista Police	Community Advisory Committee Since 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: The Committee consists of nine community members who voluntarily serve for two or three years. • Role / Level of Authority: Will provide reactions, advice, and viewpoints to the Chief on issues, which might include review of current use of force policy and data; traffic stop data; summary data on citizen complaints against officers; or recruitment challenges. Individual police actions are not within the normal purview of the Committee.
Claremont Police	Police Commission Since 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Composition: Seven members appointed by Council. ▪ Role / Level of Authority: Reviews policies, complaints before they are finalized to determine thoroughness of investigations. Advisory only; no disciplinary powers.

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Delano Police	Law Enforcement Liaison Board Since 1997	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City Ordinance. • Advisory only; no oversight. • Composition: Nine member board and members are appointed as follows: one from each Council member (total of 5); one from Council as a whole; one from City Manager; one from POA; and one from COP. • Role / Level of Authority: The general purpose is to provide for additional community participation in advising on police department policies, procedures and practices, to ensure prompt and fair investigation of citizen complaints brought by individuals against the City police department, and to promote positive community/police relations.
Fairfield Police	Citizen Audit Committee Implemented 7 years ago.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Two citizens chosen by City Manager; City Risk Manager; member of City Manager's office; and Police Lieutenant. • Role / Level of Authority: Reviews all citizen complaint investigations conducted by Department and after Captain and Chief make recommendation as to the disposition. They return report to Chief with either agree or disagree with conclusion. Also provides City Council with annual report as to the effectiveness of Department's citizen complaint investigation procedures.
Long Beach Police	Citizen Police Complaint Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: 11 Commissioners, 1 per district. Coordinated by Executive Director who reports to City Manager. • Role / Level of Authority: Reviews every complaint and

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	Since 1990	determines disposition. If Chief disagrees, City Manager makes final decision. Reviews IAs for disposition. No disciplinary authority.
Novato Police	Police Advisory and Review Board Implemented six years ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Seven members appointed by Council. • Role / Level of Authority: Review statistical information, policies, and procedures. Do not investigate or see personnel records.
Sacramento Police	Police/Fire Auditor Implemented 4.5 years ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Reports to City Manager. • Roles / Level of Authority: Receives and investigates complaints. Monitors Departments' investigations. Respond to critical incidents. Reviews policies and procedures. Makes recommendations to City Manager.
San Jose Police	Police Auditor Implemented 12 years ago	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Appointed by Council. • Roles / Level of Authority: Monitors, audits investigations to determine if investigations are objective, thorough, timely, and fair. Receives complaints and reviews and makes recommendations on policies and procedures.
Santa Cruz Police	Police Auditor Since 1995	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition: Seven members assigned by Council. • Roles / Level of Authority: Reviews investigations. Has no authority to investigate or discipline. Reports to City Manager.