

AGENDA
Baltimore City Civilian Review Board
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, December 17, 2020
Place: Enabled by Cisco WebEX
6:00-8:00 pm

- I. Welcome & call to order.
- II. Review and approval of agenda.
- III. Review and approval of minutes from:
 - A. November 19, 2020 - Regular meeting
- IV. Director's Report

V. New Complaints:

- A. **CRB 2020-0069:** Complaint filed 12/14/2020. BPD was called to a hospital because of a patient who was threatening staff people with violence. The responding BPD officers questioned the Complainant in a back hallway. The officers told the Complainant that she signed up for this kind of incident when she took this job—it's part of the territory. One officer asked her to speak into the camera, which made the Complainant uncomfortable. The officers were rude and stated that they had more important places to be. The Complainant feels intimidated by the officers, who regularly respond to incidents at the hospital, and was hesitant about filing a complaint. The officers blocked their badges from the Complainant; one officer claimed not to know the name of the other officer.

VI. Completed Cases:

- A. **CRB2020-0001/PIB2020-0467:** Allegations: False Arrest, Harassment; Complaint filed on 1/8/2020. The complaint alleges that on 12/11/2019 two officers knocked on the Complainant's door. She was in the shower, so when he answered the door she was not fully dressed. The officers showed her a mug shot and asked her if she could identify the individual in the photo. The Complainant told the officers that it was her daughter's father, but she hadn't seen him in a while. The officers asked the Complainant for her driver's license or state ID, and the Complainant complied. After reviewing her ID, the officers told her she was being arrested on a warrant from 2004. The Complainant asked several questions about the warrant and wanted to know how a warrant that was so old was just being acted on. One of the officers told the Complainant that he would have to accompany her upstairs while she got dressed; this made the Complainant uncomfortable. When the Complainant was cuffed, she told the officer that the cuffs were too tight and that she has a wrist injury; the officer did not seem to care. At Central Booking, there was confusion about the warrant; the name and date of birth on the charging document was different from the Complainant's name and DOB. After about 3 days, she was released from Central Booking on pretrial release. Since that time, she has received a summons for the other name that was on the charging document. The BWC confirms a lot of the Complainant's statement. The BWC also shows that the 2004 warrant was related to a domestic violence incident with her and her daughter's father. Further, it shows that the officers told the Complainant that the clothing she changed into would have to be searched, but she would get privacy to change. They searched the clothing and then she changed in the bathroom with the door closed, but cracked open a little. PIB provided BWC and its case file.

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- B. **CRB2019-0206/PIB2020-0219**: Allegations: Harassment; Complaint filed 12/27/2019. The complaint alleges that on 11/15/2019 a BPD helicopter followed the Complainant and his wife home from religious services. They began to document the helicopter following them every day. The Complainant thinks he is being harassed because of an EEOC complaint he filed against BPD. In 2009 the Complainant was assigned to US Marshals Warrant Task Force, which caused a dispute between him and his sergeant regarding his hair cut. Due to a medical condition he has, shaving his head causes him medical issues, but his sergeant demanded that he shave his head. The EEOC case settled. Because of this, the Complainant believes the BPD is harassing him. He first noticed being followed by drone in 2019. An evidence request was made to PIB on February 10, 2020 to obtain drone flying/aerial surveillance activity. PIB denied having any such information.
- C. **CRB 2018-0138/PIB2018-0760**: Allegations: Harassment, Abusive Language; Complaint filed 7/20/2018; Expired. The complaint alleges that on 2/2/2018, officers entered her home and searched it pursuant to a search warrant. During the search, the Complainant told the officers that she has a heart condition and she needed her medication from her purse. In response, one of the officers accused the Complainant of lying about her medical condition. One of the officers did get the Complainant's pills from her purse for the Complainant. After the search, the officers asked if the Complainant wanted a paramedic, to which she finally agreed. However, when the paramedic arrived, the officers would not allow the Complainant to go to the hospital until she was cleared. The Complainant was finally taken to the hospital, her discharge papers were provided to the CRB Investigator. The BWC does not appear to show an officer stating that the Complainant was lying about her medical condition.
- D. **CRB 2018-0159/PIB2018-0555**: Allegations: False Arrest; Complaint filed 10/18/2018; Expired. The complaint alleges that on 9/18/2018, the Complainant was driving his commercial vehicle when he stopped to talk to a woman who offered him sex for \$20.00. The Complainant alleges that he declined, but was arrested for soliciting prostitution. The woman was an undercover BPD detective. The charges against the Complainant were *not proessed*. The BWC footage did not capture the exchange between the Complainant and the undercover detective. The detective gave a statement to PIB indicating that the Complainant asked her for sex for money. PIB completed this case.
- E. **CRB 2018-0154/PIB2018-0655**: Allegation: Harassment; Complaint filed 3/13/2018; Expired. The complaint alleges that on 9/21/2018, around 3:00 AM, BPD officers came to his restaurant and live music establishment and shut the business down for the night because the Complainant does not have a late night business license in order to operate at 3:00 AM. The officers continuously shut down his business at midnight; civil citations are issued. The issue of his late night business license has been in court for years. Records show that the Complainant may have had a late night business license previously, but did not have such a license during the time of the complaint. PIB completed this case.

- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjournment