AGENDA

Baltimore City Civilian Review Board **REGULAR MEETING**

April 20, 2023 Place: Enabled by Zoom 6:00-8:00 pm

- I. Welcome & call to order
- II. Review and approval of agenda
- III. Review and approval of minutes
 - March 2023
- IV. Director's Report
- V. New Complaints:
 - A. CRB2023-0047- Complaint filed 4/13/2023 for Harassment. The Complainant alleges that she called the officer to respond to a domestic violence situation, and he refused to speak to her, but returned the knife her spouse was carrying and told her he was taking her spouse to a medical facility. The Complainant alleges that the situation escalated further when her spouse was released from the hospital an hour later, and tried to return to the Complainant's home, forcing her to call the police again. The same officer responded and forced her to allow her spouse back into the residence, causing her to need to find another place to stay for the night for her safety. She stated she returned the next day after work and her spouse began acting aggressively towards her again, so once again she called the police and the same officer responded. Another officer who accompanied him told her she could get a protective order, which did. The original officer served the protective order, and then took her spouse to get her own protective order, and then the officer filed criminal charges against her for an event from December that he did not witness or respond to. The Complainant alleges that the officer continually returns to her residence with her spouse to allow her spouse to collect belongings on a continuous, regular basis.

VI. Completed Cases:

A. **CRB2022-0064/0066**: Filed on 5/16/2022 and 5/17/2022 against one named officer for Harassment, and one named officer for false arrest and abusive language. The Complainant alleged that he was falsely arrested on May 7, 2022. The Complainant stated that he was set up for the arrest by his girlfriend and that the officer made the arrest while making racist comments about "ni***rs hitting females". He stated that when he informed the officer that he was an informant and asked him to reach out to his police contacts, the officer laughed at him and refused. The Complainant alleged that he asked to be taken to the homicide division instead of Central Booking because he had information for them and the officer refused. He stated that the officer told him, "Your fucking rat ass wanna hit women but tell on men", and that "one way or the other, your pussy ass going in." He stated that he was taken to Central Booking, even though he feared for his safety there due to the fact that he was an informant. He stated that the officer did not have a warrant to enter the premises and no one let him in, and that the officer told him that since he was a police officer he could let himself in. In his May 17, 2022 complaint, the Complainant alleged that a different officer had been utilizing him as an informant and putting him in danger

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in the process without doing anything to mitigate his concerns. The Complainant alleged that during his time as an informant, the officer lied to him, harassed him, and put his family in danger. The Complainant alleged that the officer made him promises about relocating him for his safety, but never followed through. The Complainant alleged that he was shot in retaliation for being an informant, and the officer only went out of his way to make the situation worse. The Complainant alleged that the officer used him to solve cases and then failed to assist him when his safety was at risk. The Complainant stated that the officer had promised to get him out of jail if he ever got in trouble, but did not follow through on those promises when he was arrested by the other officer. The Complainant stated that the officer had told him not to get an attorney, and continually followed him and harassed him even after the Complainant had told him he no longer wanted to be an informant.

- B. CRB2022-0146: Filed on September 1, 2022 against identified BPD officers for False Imprisonment. The Complainant alleges that on August 14, 2022, he was detained aggressively and unlawfully for possession of a legal firearm. The Complainant stated that the incident happened inside of Frank's Pizza at 6200 Belair Road. The Complainant stated that he walked into the pizza shop with good friend. While the Complainant and his friend waited for their food, the Complainant stated that seven police officers who were in the pizza shop observed his firearm and asked for his ID. The Complainant said that he complied with the officers and they stated that laws recommend that you don't carry the firearm where people can see it. The Complainant believed that the firearm was concealed on his hip. When the Complainant glanced down at his hip to see if the firearm was showing, he stated that a female officer thought that he was reaching for the gun. The Complainant stated that the officers immediately slapped handcuffs on him before giving him a chance to show his ID and permit to carry. The Complainant alleged false imprisonment because the officers handcuffed him when he wasn't a threat and had a permit to carry. The Complainant stated that after several minutes in handcuffs, the officers verified his permit to carry. The Complainant said that he felt like his rights were violated because he was not reaching for his concealed firearm and the officers did not give him a chance to verify his identity. After his credentials were verified the Complainant stated that he was released without an apology or explanation as to why he was detained. The Complainant stated that he was told that he was detained due to the "gun violence in Baltimore City."
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. Adjournment