

AGENDA
Baltimore City Civilian Review Board
REGULAR MEETING
January 18, 2023
Place: Enabled by Zoom
6:00-8:00 pm

I. Welcome & call to order

- Mel Currie, Southwestern District
- Tiera Hawkes, Chair, Northeastern District
- Natalie Novak, Secretary, Northern District
- Mariel Shutinya, CRB Supervisor
- Sgt. Angel Beaty – PIB
- Amy Cruice, ACLU

II. Review and approval of agenda

- Approved

III. Review and approval of minutes

- December 2022 – Approved

IV. Director's Report

- Mariel Shutinya, CRB Supervisor - In 2022: 36 completed investigations; 30 recommendations; 29 cases were closed; 6 cases had sustained allegations; 87 CRB intakes; 237 PIB notifications and 1 was converted to a CRB complaint; received 15 new complainants; 3rd quarter report posted; working on 4th quarter now; still recruiting for new CRB members.

V. New Complaints:

- A. **CRB2022-0130:** Complaint filed 12/9/22 against named BPD officers for Harassment. The Complainant alleges that he temporarily parked his car in the street with his flashers on for the purpose of unloading his groceries. The Complainant stated that when he finished unloading and returned to his car, two officers had parked behind him, and were there staring at him in a hostile manner. When he asked what the issue was, the officers stated that he should not have parked his car in the street. The Complainant advised that he needed to park closer to unload his groceries due to a recent injury, and there was no traffic on the street. The Complainant stated that the officers then requested his ID and gave him a warning. The Complainant believes that officers treated him this way because he was a Black man in a predominantly white, wealthy area of the City, and that his neighbors had done the same thing many times without incident.
- Vote: CRB investigation

VI. Completed Cases:

- A. **CRB2022-0073/2022-1017:** Disciplinary recommendation for sustained allegation of Harassment.
- Filed 5/31/22 against two named BPD officers for harassment. The Complainant alleges that she called officers to assist with a customer at the restaurant where she worked, because he was upset about a price dispute and was refusing to leave the drive thru area. The

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Complainant stated that when the officers arrived, they refused to help her with the situation and instead joined the man in disputing the price. The Complainant stated that one of the officers spoke Spanish but refused to communicate with her in Spanish even though she was having trouble communicating in English. The Complainant stated that the officers also unnecessarily harassed her employee for not having ID while she was working. The Complainant stated that during the interaction, the officers were rude to her and laughed at her.

- Disciplinary Recommendations:
- Tiera Hawkes, Chair, Northeastern - Category B in the Disciplinary Matrix, recommendation is 1 day loss of leave and training
- Mel Currie, Southwestern - Simple letter of reprimand
- Natalie Novak, Secretary, Northern – 1 day suspension and simple letter
- Disciplinary recommendation: 1 day loss of leave and simple letter of reprimand

B. CRB2022-0061/PIB2022-0711: Filed on 4/18/2022 against an identified BPD officer for Harassment. The Complainant alleges that the Complainant previously filed a misconduct complaint against these subject officers. As a result, the officers spoke to his building manager about the Complainant and the building manager told the other residents that the Complainant is a “snitch.” On 6/25/2021, there was an incident at the Complainant’s apartment building which resulted in the Complainant being taken to the hospital by the subject officers, who made rude and mocking comments about his injuries. Prior to the 6/25/2021 incident, the Complainant made arrangements with one of the subject officers to come into the police station to watch video footage of the Complainant being robbed, and the officer made rude comments to the Complainant during the appointment. The Complainant ended up being evicted as a result of the 6/25/21 incident.

- Mel Currie, Southwestern – this was a messy situation, but did not find evidence to show that the officers conspired with the Complainant’s building manager against the Complainant; Vote is Not Sustained
- Tiera Hawkes, Chair, Northeastern – did not see the nexus between the incident and what the Complainant is alleging; the evidence doesn’t meet the burden to sustain the allegations– Vote is Not Sustained
- Natalie Novak, Secretary, Northern – not enough corroborating evidence to support the allegations that occurred at the hospital; Vote – Not Sustained
- Vote – Not Sustained

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Old Business

- Mariel Shutinya, CRB Supervisor – only 1 public comment; will forward the comment around and we will vote on the bylaws next meeting
- Amy Cruice, ACLU – what is happening with complaints filed with the PAB?
- Mariel Shutinya, CRB Supervisor – if it’s forwarded to the PAB from PIB, we treat that as CRB as well, if they are eligible, same with complaints filed with the

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PAB; 5 members of the PAB have been confirmed and the remaining 12 will be confirmed very shortly

X. New Business

XI. Adjournment