AGENDA

Baltimore City Civilian Review Board

REGULAR MEETING

June 17, 2021 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
- IV. Director's Report
- V. New Complaints:
 - A. **CRB2021-0105**: Complaint filed 6/5/2021 against officers of the Baltimore City Police Department. Complaint alleges that he was driving a vehicle in the opposite direction as a Baltimore City Police vehicle. The BPD vehicle turned around to follow him. BPD signaled for the Complainant to pull his vehicle over. BPD said he was pulled over for his window tints, but then he was asked to get out of the car and the car was searched without his permission, nothing was found. The Complainant has previously filed complaints against the same officers.
 - B. CRB2021-0201: Complaint filed 6/7/2021 against an officer of the Baltimore City Police Department. The complaint was filed by a witness on behalf of a victim. A doctor called 911 to get an ambulance to take a patient to the emergency department. While they were waiting for the ambulance, a BPD officer arrived, even though no officers were requested. The subject officer yelled at the victim, stating that he believed that the victim had used the bathroom so the victim could ingest drugs and then threatened the victim with arrest. The doctor asked the subject officer not to escalate the situation, and the subject officer said, "why did you call the police if you didn't want us to do our jobs?" When the EMS arrived, the attending medic asked the subject officer to leave, to which he replied, "I'm not going to leave because if [the victim] doesn't go with the paramedics, and I am not here, then I'm going to be the one picking him up off the corner later today" The subject officer eventually left. The complaint alleges that subject officer's behavior was egregious and he entered a recovery facility without permission and with no police business is a violation of statute.

VI. Completed Cases:

A. 2018-0123/2018-0467: The complaint was filed 9/19/2018, against two identified BPD officers for False Arrest and False Imprisonment. The complaint states that the Complainant stopped her vehicle outside of a bar because she needed a couple cups of ice. The Complainant saw a friend and asked him to go into the bar to get the ice. When he was on his way back to the car, BPD officers jumped out of police cars and immediately arrested the man. The officers then ordered the Complainant out of her car and immediately arrested her. The Complainant's car was searched at the scene. The Complainant told the officers searching her car that there was a bag of cake flour in the glove compartment. While the Complainant was arrested, the charges were later nol prossed because the cake flour was tested and was cake flour, not CDS. The Complainant

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never got her car, computer (which was in the car), or \$800.00 back. Note: the CRB sent requests for information to PIB on 1/3/2020, 2/6/202, and 2/25/2020, which were never answered.

- Notes from 10/15/2020 meeting:
 - Levi Zaslow: is concerned about not getting the requested information from PIB
 - o George Buntin: also concerned about not getting information from PIB
 - Evangula Brown: this is a back-logged case during a time when PIB wasn't complying with the rules to provide CRB information, it's an old case
 - O George Buntin: it is unacceptable, when we know there is more information that they are not giving us, our standard request letter is not getting through, maybe an administrative meeting to establish a plan
 - Mel Currie: we need independent counsel
 - Evangula Brown: we will send a request to PIB for additional information
 - o Mel Currie: motion to continue case for more information; motion carried
- A. 2020-0021/2020-0747: Complaint filed on 7/17/2020, against an indentified officer of the Baltimore City Police Department for Harassment. The Complainant alleges that on July 18, 2019, an unidentified white male was taking photographs of her home. The unidentified male also asked the Complainant to view her security camera footage, the Complainant declined. Later that day when the Complainant was out, her security system app notified her that there were people standing at her front door. Looking at the app, the Complainant could see that it was the unidentified male, who is the subject officer, as well as other BPD officers. When the Complainant got home, she saw that police officers had broken down her front door, which was damaged, and the subject officer was holding her security system equipment in his hands. The video footage provided by the Complainant shows that the officers repeatedly knocked on her door. The footage shows that the subject officer gave the command to bust the door down. The Complainant alleges that the subject officer called her a "smart ass." The subject officer demanded that the Complaint give the password for the security system to the officer. When she finally did, the officers reviewed the security footage and then left. The footage provided by the Complainant show that the subject officer was wearing a body-worn camera, however no BWC footage has been provided to the CRB. The Complainant provided a copy of the search warrant, which appears to be incomplete.
- B. 2019-0077/2019-0229: Complaint filed 3/20/2019, against an identified officer of the Baltimore Police Department for False Imprisonment and Harassment. The Complainant alleges that on 2/8/2019, the Fire Department and Baltimore Police Department knocked on her door and advised that they received a call that the Complainant was suicidal. After speaking with the Complainant, the Fire Department left her home, finding that she was not suicidal. The BPD however demanded that the Complainant come with them and threatened that if she did not come with them, the officers would have to handcuff her and take her to the hospital. The subject officer's body-worn camera footage shows him giving the Complainant two choices, to willing go with him to the hospital or the officer would handcuff the Complainant and take her to the hospital. The Complainant ended up going with the subject officer to the hospital without handcuffs.

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VII. Public Comment

VIII. Old Business

- Following up with DC Nadeau about a meeting about a case from April meeting
- 2021 legislation that impacts CRB quick update from Natalie Novak

IX. New Business

X. Adjournment