

Office of the Police Ombudsman

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Public Safety Committee Report

Reporting Period: August 1-31, 2017

| | Snapshot of Activities | Monthly | Year to Date |
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| Community Outreach | | | |
| ОРО | Community Events | 9 | 88 |
| | Other | 6 | 58 |
| ОРОС | Community Outreach / Activities | 4 | 51 |
| Commendations | | 1 | 2 |
| Complaints | | | |
| | Received Complaints | 4 | 22 |
| | Referred Complaints | 5 | 40 |
| Contacts | | 98 | 608 |
| Case Review | | | |
| | Request for Further Investigation | 2 | 18 |
| | Investigations Certified / Concurred | 6 | 58 |
| | Declined Certifications | 0 | 18 |
| | Special Cases Reviewed | 14 | 117 |
| Interviews | | | |
| | OPO Interviews | 2 | 14 |
| | IA Interviews | 11 | 43 |
| Training | | 2 | 12 |
| Critical Incident Responses | | 0 | 2 |
| Mediation | | 0 | 1 |
| Recommendations | | 5 | 5 |
| Other Activities | | | |
| SPD Related | Meetings / Contact | 35 | 156 |
| | Review Boards | 3 | 15 |

1. Community Outreach

- a. Community Events
 - i. National Night Out (8/1)
 - 1. Liberty Park Child Development Center
 - 2. Shadle Park
 - ii. OPOC meeting (8/8)
 - iii. Police Advisory Committee meeting (8/9)
 - iv. Garland Street Fair (8/12)
 - v. Coffee with a Cop, Chief Garry Park Neighborhood (8/15)
 - vi. Unity in the Community (8/19)
 - vii. Public Safety Committee meeting (8/21)
 - viii. Frontier Behavioral Health Wellness Fair (8/26)

b. Other

- i. Spoke with Lori White from Indianapolis Ombudsman office re: Project Comport (8/1)
- ii. Garland Business District (8/3)
- iii. Mitch Ryals (Inlander) (8/9)
- iv. Leadership Spokane (8/30)

2. OPOC Actions

- a. Police Advisory Committee (8/9)
- b. Public Safety Committee Meeting (8/21)
- c. Open Government Training (8/17)
- d. SPD ride along (8/22)

3. Commendations

a. A citizen commended Officers Baxter and Johnson for their professional demeanor when they encountered a woman kicking a dog at the dog park.

4. Complaints

- a. Complaints Received
 - i. OPO #17-19 (District #2) Refusing to provide badge and name / racial profiling
 - ii. OPO #17-20 (District #1)- Demeanor and harassment
 - iii. OPO #17-21 (District #2) Unlawful detention
 - iv. OPO #17-22 (District #2) Harassment / unlawful detention
- b. Referred Complaints Classified according to whether the complaint was to an internal department (IR #) or an external agency (ER #)
 - i. Internal
 - 1. IR#17-37 Question on law enforcement's role in landlord-tenant issues
 - 2. IR#17-38 Request for an update on several incidents without police response
 - 3. IR#17-39 Noise complaint forwarded to applicable precinct
 - 4. IR#17-40 City of Spokane False Alarm Reduction Program
 - ii. External
 - 1. ER#17-41 Spokane Valley Permits

5. Case Review

- a. Special Cases Reviewed
 - i. 6 Use of force
 - ii. 4 Pursuit review
 - iii. 4 Collision report

6. Training

- a. Open Government Training through the Attorney General's Office and the Secretary of State (8/17)
- b. Public Records Management (City mandated training)

7. Recommendations

- a. Utilize PAC
- b. Change BWC policy
- c. Arson investigations
- d. Add training referrals as a compliant classification
- e. Review and amend the Discrimination Policy in regard to transgender rights

8. Other Activities

- a. OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
 - i. 19 meetings/contacts with IA
 - ii. 16 meetings/contacts with SPD
 - 1. Met with Sgt. Booth re: House of Charity officer involved shooting (8/15)
 - 2. Met with Lt. Staben (8/23)
 - iii. Use of Force Review Board (8/8)
 - iv. Pursuit Review Board (8/8)
 - v. Collision Review Board (8/8)
 - vi. Met/had contact with CP Stuckart (8/10; 8/29; 8/30); CM Beggs (8/21; 8/29); CM Fagan (8/29; 8/30); Stratton (8/21); Waldref (8/21)
 - vii. Met with/had contact with Commissioners Wilburn (8/1 and 8/10); Smith (8/1; 8/21; 8/22; 8/30; and 8/31); Conklin (8/1 and 8/17); Gardner (8/31).
 - viii. Met with Gita George-Hatcher (8/22)
 - ix. Contact with Assistant City Attorney, Mike Piccolo (8/22)
 - x. Met with Theresa Sanders (8/30)

Next Steps

a. Training / Conference

- i. NACOLE Conference on 9/10-14/17
- ii. Excel training 9/14-15/17
- iii. USOA on 10/2-5/17
- iv. LAPD Audit Training on 10/17-19/17
- v. Leadership Spokane on 9/7/17
- vi. Leadership Spokane retreat on 9/14-15/17

b. Summer Outreach

- i. Gonzaga University resource fair (9/6)
- ii. Chief Garry Park BBQ (9/9)