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Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report Draft

Reporting Period: November 1-30, 2017

Snapshot of Activities		Monthly	Year to Date
Community Outreach			
OPO	Community Events	4	111
	Other	10	83
OPOC	Community Outreach / Activities	8	67
Commendations		0	2
Complaints			
	Received Complaints	3	30
	Referred Complaints	0	49
Contacts		87	888
Case Review			
	Request for Further Investigation	3	22
	Investigations Certified / Concurred	3	67
	Declined Certifications	0	18
	Special Cases Reviewed	13	159
Interviews			
	OPO Interviews	4	28
	IA Interviews	13	68
Training		3	24
Critical Incidents		1	5
Mediation		0	2
Recommendations		1	9
Other Activities			
SPD Related	Meetings / Contact	27	229
	Review Boards	2	18

1. **Community Outreach**
 - a. Community Events
 - i. Public Safety & Community Health Committee Report meeting (11/6)
 - ii. OPO Commission meeting (11/7)
 - iii. Police Advisory Committee Quarterly Public Meeting (11/16)
 - iv. Community Conversation with Chief Meidl (11/21)
 - b. Other
 - i. Tour of County Jail with Leadership Spokane (11/1)
 - ii. Rob Curley, Spokesman Review editor (11/2)
 - iii. Jonathan Glover, Spokesman Review (11/9)
 - iv. Wishing Star Foundation (11/9)
 - v. Leadership Spokane Service Team Project (11/14)
 - vi. Scott Richter, Eastern Washington University (11/20)
 - vii. Leadership Spokane Tour of Seven 2 (11/21)
 - viii. Kate Burke, Council Member elect (11/21)
2. **OPOC Actions**
 - a. Police Advisory Committee Quarterly Public Meeting (11/16)
 - b. NACOLE Regional Training Seminar in Denver, CO (11/30)
3. **Complaints**
 - a. Complaints Received
 - i. OPO #17-28 (District #3) – Demeanor
 - ii. OPO #17-29 (District #1) – Inadequate Response
 - iii. OPO #17-31 (District #2) – Inadequate Response
4. **Case Review**
 - a. Investigations Certified / Concurred
 - i. **C17-053 / OPO #17-26** – Concur as Inquiry (11/16)
 - ii. **C17-043 / OPO # 17-19** – Certified (1/27)
 - iii. **C17-044 / OPO 17-21** – Concur as inquiry (11/28)
 - b. Special Cases Reviewed
 - i. **3** Use of force
 - ii. **3** Pursuit review
 - iii. **10** Collision report
 - c. Request for Further Investigation
 - i. **C17-053** – Additional information
 - ii. **C17-050 / OPO #17-23** – Statement for clarification after already sent for Ombudsman certification
 - iii. **C17-058 / OPO #17-27** – Additional administrative information
5. **OPO Interviews**
 - a. **Dissatisfied with NRO** – need additional information to file a complaint
 - b. **Lack of enforcement of restraining order** - complaint information provided, no formal complaint filed
 - c. **Inadequate response complaint intake** – filed formal complaint

6. Training

- a. Ethical Leadership, Leadership, and Culture (11/10)
- b. Crisis Intervention Training (11/17)
- c. NACOLE Regional Training Seminar in Denver, CO (11/30)

7. Critical Incident

- a. 11/29 – Ombudsman responded to incident.
 - i. Incident summary: Officers responded to a domestic violence with a weapon call, officers searched the area for the suspect. After some time, the suspect returned and shot at the officers. Officers returned fire striking the suspect. Officers rendered first aid to the suspect who was transported to the hospital. The suspect died as a result of his injuries. Neither of the Officers were injured.

8. Recommendations

- a. R17-9 – Use of Force Policy review (11/20)

9. Other Activities

- a. OPO staff members participated/engaged in the following other activities:
 - i. **14** meetings/contacts with IA
 - ii. **13** meetings/contacts with SPD
 - iii. Collision & Pursuit Review Board (11/14)
 - iv. Use of Force Review Board (11/14)
- b. Met/had contact with City Council members:
 - i. CP Stuckart on 11/9
 - ii. Beggs on 11/6
 - iii. Fagan on 11/9
 - iv. Mumm on 11/9
 - v. Stratton on 11/9
- c. Met with/had contact with OPO Commissioners:
 - i. Gardner on 11/8; 11/22; and 11/27
 - ii. Kelley on 11/13
 - iii. Smith on 11/1; 11/6; 11/15; 11/20; 11/22; and 11/27
 - iv. Wilburn on 11/27
- d. Attended Department/Division head meeting with Mayor (11/2)

10. Next Steps

- a. Interviewing potential Intern
- b. Begin formal collaborative review of SPD Use of Force Policy
- c. OPO will have a holiday schedule of reduced hours. OPO will be closed on Thursday and Friday, December 28-29, 2017.