

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 26, 2021

In Attendance

Councilman Anthony Byrd, Committee Chair, called the called the hybrid (in-person/virtual) meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. A quorum was present, including Chairman Chip Henderson, Council Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members Jenny Hill, Darrin Ledford, Isiah Hester, Carol Berz, Raquetta Dotley, and Demetrus Coonrod. Other panelists present were Emily O'Donnell, City Attorney, and Keren Campbell, Council Support Specialist.

Others in Attendance

Police: Eric Tucker, Interim Chief; Police Advisory and Review Committee (PARC): Kay Baker, Chair

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Vice Chairman Ken Smith and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (September 21, 2021) meeting were approved as published.

PARC Quarterly Report

Councilman Byrd opened the floor to Ms. Baker, who gave the PARC quarterly report covering the months of July – September 2021 [see attached]. Discussion ensued, with Chief Tucker joining the discussion to respond to questions on the following:

- Body worn cameras (Councilwoman Coonrod);
- Remedial training (Councilman Byrd).

Upon no further questions or comment the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Byrd adjourned the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

ATTACHMENT:
PARC Quarterly Report

CHATTANOOGA POLICE ADVISORY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE QUARTERLY REPORT
 PERIOD COVERED: JULY, AUGUST, and SEPTEMBER 2021
 REPORT PRESENTED: October 26, 2021

I. CASE STATISTICS:

- a. PARC reviewed 46 cases involving 53 officers.
- b. Breakdown – Citizen v. Internally Generated Complaints
 - i. 29 Citizen Generated Complaints
 - 1. In 8 of the cases generated by a citizen complaint, the Chain of Command (COC) and PARC found at least one violation of policy by one officer.
 - ii. 17 Internally Generated Complaints
 - 1. In 16 of the cases generated internally, the COC and PARC found at least one violation of policy by one officer.
- c. From October 2020 through September 2021, PARC has reviewed 158 cases. Of those 158 cases, the Chief disagreed with the PARC recommendation in 9 cases (NOTE: There are approximately 18 cases that are pending a final Chief’s decision).

II. CATEGORIES OF VIOLATIONS JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021

CATEGORY OF VIOLATION	# OF COMPLAINTS	VIOLATIONS FOUND BY COC	VIOLATIONS FOUND BY PARC
Conduct Unbecoming	2	1	1
Digital Recording Rules	3	2	2
Discourtesy	13	5	5
Discrimination	1	0	0
Extra Employment	1	1	0
Evidence/Property Procedure	1	1	1
False Arrest	3	0	0
False Report	3	3	2
Harassment	2	0	0
Improper Investigation	4	1	1
Improper Procedure	11	7	7
Misrepresentation	1	1	0
Pursuit Policy	4	4	4
Reporting for Duty	1	1	1
Uniform Violation	1	0	0
Unsatisfactory Performance	8	5	5
UOF Physical	4	0	0
Vehicle Use Violation	3	1	1

III. CONCERNS/POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS/REQUESTS/UPDATES:

- a. PARC would like to know how often officers that are found to be in violation of the Discourtesy policy are receiving remedial training, and what does the initial training on Discourtesy include?
- b. PARC continues to be concerned that not all officers are assigned and/or wear a body camera when assigned to duties that would normally require a body worn camera. PARC would like an update on the analysis being done by CPD on this issue.