OFFICE OF POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW

CLOSED CASE SUMMARY

OPCR-21-54



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ALLEGATIONS

	Policy Implicated	MPD Policy Manual Range	OPCR Outcome	PCRP Finding	MPD Outcome
Officer 1 Allegation 1	4-218 (IV)(A)(1) – Mobile and Video Recording (MVR) Policy	A-D	Sent to Coaching	NA	No Disciplinary Action Taken
Officer 1 Allegation 2	4-223 (IV)(A)(1) – Body Worn Cameras	A-D	Sent to Coaching	NA	No Disciplinary Action Taken
Officer 2 Allegation	4-218 (IV)(A)(1) – Mobile and Video Recording (MVR) Policy	A-D	Sent to Coaching	NA	No Disciplinary Action Taken
Officer 2 Allegation 2	7-402 (IV)(B)(2)(d) – Pursuit Policy	A	Sent to Coaching	NA	Coaching Completed
Officer 2 Allegation 3	4-223 (IV)(A)(1) – Body Worn Cameras	A-D	Sent to Coaching	NA	No Disciplinary Action Taken

REPORTED DEMOGRAPHICS

Race: N/A Gender: N/A Police Precinct: 3rd

SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT

Complaint alleges that officers were responding to a call of shots fired and that a pursuit ensued after one of the involved vehicles fled. The pursuit was terminated according to policy. It is noted that during the pursuit a civilian driver attempted to intervene with the suspect vehicle causing some minor damage to both the civilian and suspect vehicles. This did not cause the pursuit to end. Officers were not able to locate civilian driver.

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION

1) INTAKE INVESTIGATION

- a) VisiNet report
 - i) The "Problem" is listed as "Sound of Shots Fired". The call log indicates multiple officers responded including officers listed. Officers listed in allegations are reported as being partners for the day. Call indicates someone had a gun and shot it. Duplicate calls were coming in about the same incident. Vehicles were leaving scene at high rate of speeds. Notes a civilian attempted to stop the vehicle.
- b) Police Report
 - i) It was noted that Officer 2 did not have a supplement in the report.
 - ii) Public Section of the report states the listed vehicle was involved in a fight and shots were fired and fled the scene. Officers followed the vehicle until it was determined that we could not locate a victim of an aggravated assault or shooting then it was terminated.
- c) Other
 - i) Initial complainant statements (Pursuit Review)
 - ii) Any other documents used to properly identify the officer

2) VIDEO ANALYST REVIEW

- a) Body Worn Camera (BWC) Review
 - i) BWC was not found for listed officers. Officer 1 reportedly did not have a BWC as it was charging at a physical location and not with officer.
 - ii) It is noted that BWC was viewed for the assisting officers. As they arrived at the scene, a female pointed at a blue vehicle indicating it was involved. As officers turned to approach vehicle, this vehicle took off. Lights and sirens were activated. Officers listed in the complaint were the 2nd squad car in the chase. It is noted that speeds reached 70 mph and were driving through several red lights. A civilian vehicle appeared to attempt a PIT type maneuver and struck the suspects' vehicle but failed in stopping the vehicle. The pursuit supervisor is heard requesting for more information regarding the victim from the shots fired call. The supervisor stated on the radio that absent a victim or circumstances other than shots fired, officers should terminate the pursuit. Officers attempted to gain information of a victim. Pursuit was then terminated.
- b) Squad Video Review

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- i) Squad video for squad operated by alleged officers were reportedly not functioning at the time of incident and was not properly reported as such.
- 3) CASE REVIEW & JOINT SUPERVISOR ROUTING
 - a) After reviewing the relevant and available evidence collected during intake, the Joint Supervisors agreed the complaint warranted coaching.
- 4) ADMIN/PRELIM INVESTIGATION N/A

CASE OUTCOME

- 5) OFFICE OF POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW
 - a) Officers were sent to their precinct for coaching.
- 6) POLICE CONDUCT REVIEW PANEL N/A
- 7) MINNEAPOLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT
 - a) Officer 1:
 - i) Allegation 1 no disciplinary action taken.
 - ii) Allegation 2 no disciplinary action taken.
 - b) Officer 2:
 - i) Allegation 1 no disciplinary action taken.
 - ii) Allegation 2 Coaching completed.
 - iii) Allegation 3 no disciplinary action taken.