INTERNAL AFFAIRS UNIT

CLOSED CASES - January 2024

• IA Case No: 22C-035

Date Received: May 13, 2022
Complainant: Keisha Taliaferro
Officer(s): Officer M. Vernik

Summary: On Friday, May 13, 2022 Ms. Keish Taliaferro submitted a Civilian Complaint Form to the Office of Internal Affairs. Taliaferro documented in her complaint on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at approximately 8:30 P.M. her adult son Issac Pride was approached and questioned by police inside of Top Kat Laundromat located at 1289 Whalley Avenue. Officer M. Vernik explained to Pride and Taliaferro the reason the officers were asking Pride for identification. Taliaferro told the officers she didn't understand why Pride was being targeted. The officers tried to explain again the circumstances of why they were speaking to pride. In a thorough review of all the body-worn camera footage associated with this investigation this investigator did not notice any misconduct on the part of Officer M. Vernik.

Disposition: UnfoundedDate Closed: 12/7/2023

• IA Case No: 23C-059

Date Received: December 4, 2023Complainant: Shaquilla McMillian

• Officer(s): Officer N. Zullo

Summary: On December 4, 2023, the Office of Internal Affairs received a civilian complaint from Shaquilla McMillian. Ms. McMillian stated on her complaint form that she called in a parking complaint. The officer arrived after the vehicle had already left, but she did not receive a complaint number, nor did the officer speak to the neighbors about the parking complaint. On the BWC it shows that Officer Zullo spoke with the complainant, who briefly showed him a photo on her phone, presumably of the offending vehicle, but there was no vehicle on scene when he arrived. He informed her that since there was no person or vehicle on scene, he could not speak to anyone. Per her complaint, the neighbor had come out to speak with her and stated she should have knocked on the door to raise her concerns, but she replied that was "not her job." After having completed an investigation, which included but was not limited to a thorough review of incident/supplemental reports (CAD notes), body-worn camera footage, and audio recordings of interviews with the complainant, this investigation determined by a preponderance of the evidence that the misconduct or malfeasance complained of did not occur.

Disposition: UnfoundedDate Closed: 12/19/2023