

City of Minneapolis

Request for Committee Action

To: Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management
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Referral:
From: Council member Cam Gordon
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Presenter: Jennifer Singleton, Police Conduct Oversight Commission, Commissioner
File Type: Action
Subcategory: Receive and File and Staff Direction

Subject:

Police Conduct Oversight Committee Complaint Filing Process Study and Recommendations

Description:

1. Receiving a presentation from members of Police Conduct Oversight Committee on the study the conducting that provides and analysis of the various methods available to people to submit complaints to the Office of Police Conduct Review and recommendations on how to improve current practices and processes.
2. Directing staff from the Civil Rights Department Office of Police Conduct Review to work with the Police Department staff to review the Commission's recommendations and report back to the Public Safety Civil Rights and Emergency Management Committee on process improvements by March 31 of 2017.

Previous Actions:

The Minneapolis Police Conduct Oversight Commission and Office of Police Conduct Review were created by Ordinance 2012-Or-061, amending Title 9, Chapter 172 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances and approved by the City Council on September 21, 2012 for the purposes of (1) assuring that police services are delivered in a lawful and nondiscriminatory manner, (2) providing to the public meaningful participatory oversight of the police and their interactions with the citizenry and (3) investigating complaints of misconduct on the part of officers of the Minneapolis Police Department and making recommendations regarding the merits of such complaints to the chief of police,

Ward/Address:

All Wards

Background/Analysis:

The Police Conduct Oversight Commission requested an in-depth look at the various methods in which a complainant can file police misconduct complaints. Office of Police Conduct Review analysts studied the online complaint system, phone inquiries, complaints at the Office of Police Conduct Review and Internal Affairs Unit offices, and complaints filed at the five police precincts by sending test complaints through each. Many complaints successfully reached the Office of Police Conduct Review. However, the study reveals several issues and recommends some changes to improve practices and processes.

Financial Review:
No financial impact.

Attachments:

1. *Complaint Filing Experience*, Report of the Police Conduct Oversight Commission
August 2016
<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/www/groups/public/@civilrights/documents/webcontent/wcmssp-184609.pdf>