



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Civil Rights

Date August 18, 2003
To Health & Human Services Committee
Referral to: NONE

Subject: A report on the activity of the Minneapolis Civilian Police Review Authority from April 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003

Recommendation
Receive and File.

Previous Directives
None

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Approved by _____
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Presenters in Committee: Barbara Damchik-Dykes, CRA Manager

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The attached report provides the Minneapolis City Council with a status report of the Civilian Police Review Authority for the period April 1, 2003 through June 30, 2003. CRA received 32 signed complaints for the second quarter of 2003 compared to 47 signed complaints for the previous quarter. The seven-member board has been appointed and the Mayor has appointed Michael Friedman as Chairperson, in accordance with the ordinance. The CRA Board will hold its first meeting September 9, 2003. At that meeting, the Board will receive training on the subjects of conflict of interest, the Minnesota Data Practices Act, the open meeting law, quasi-judicial decision-making, and the Public Employees Labor Relations Act (PELRA). They will also receive proposed administrative rules for their review and setting of public hearing.