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Office of Police Accountability



Case Number: 2025OPA-0206

Allegations of Misconduct & Director's Findings

Named Employee #1

1. **Allegation #1:** 13.010 - Collisions Involving Department Vehicles-3. Employees Will Notify a Sergeant of Department Vehicle Collisions
Finding: Not Sustained - Inconclusive
 2. **Allegation #2:** 13.010 - Collisions Involving Department Vehicles 4. Officers Shall Document All Collisions Involving Department Vehicles
Finding: Not Sustained - Inconclusive
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This Closed Case Summary (CCS) represents the opinion of the OPA Director regarding the misconduct alleged and therefore sections may be written in the first person.

Executive Summary:

The Complainant alleged that an SPD vehicle sideswiped her company van, which was being used by Community Member #1 (CM#1) on a work call. The Complainant alleged the collision damaged the van's mirror and was not reported by the SPD vehicle's unidentified driver, Named Employee #1 (NE#1).

Administrative Note:

On October 9, 2025, the Office of Inspector General certified this investigation as timely, thorough, and objective.

This matter concerns an unknown employee per SPOG CBA 3.6(B)(1), the 180 deadline was held in abeyance at day sixty-one. OPA was unable to identify the employee. The original 180 deadline of November 23, 2025, does not apply to this DCM. This matter was closed on November 24, 2025.

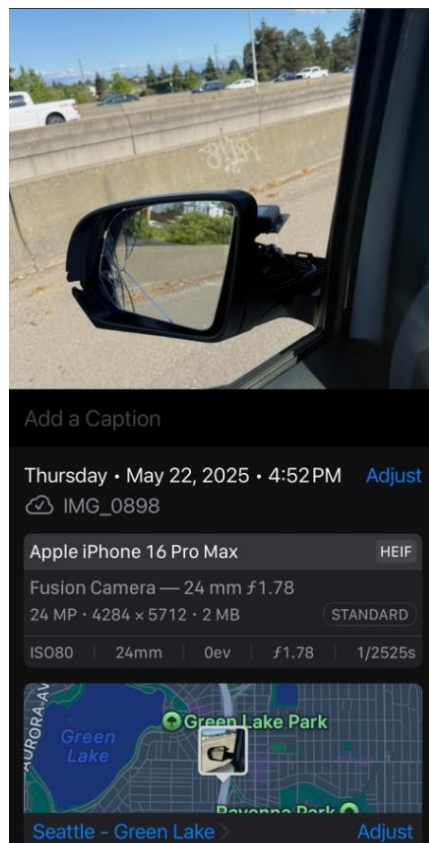
Summary of the Investigation:

On May 27, 2025, the Complainant filed a web-based complaint. OPA followed up with the Complainant seeking more information about her complaint. The Complainant explained she was an employee at a locksmith company that had another employee, CM#1, assisting a someone in the emergency lane of I-5 on May 22, 2025. According to the Complainant, four dark blue SUVs—all marked as SPD vehicles—drove past the van at high speed with emergency equipment activated. The Complainant alleged the last vehicle “clipped” the mirror of the work van, damaging it. The Complainant stated she called SPD to file a report and identify the SPD vehicle and driver but was informed they could not locate a collision report for the incident. The Complainant filed a collision report on behalf of CM#1.

OPA investigated the complaint by reviewing computer-aided dispatch (CAD) call reports, incident reports, GPS information, the collision report, photographs, body-worn video (BWV), and in-car video (ICV). OPA also interviewed the Complainant and CM#1.

OPA found that an indeterminate number of SPD vehicles were engaged in emergency response around the time of the collision. The SPD vehicles were primarily headed southbound on I-5 to respond to a call to apprehend a homicide suspect.

OPA reviewed a time-stamped, geotagged photograph provided by the Complainant of a damaged driver’s side mirror.



OPA compared the video to available ICV. OPA located an ICV video that depicted the work van located near the location of the incident with the driver's side mirror still intact.



ICV image depicting CM#1's van.



Close-up image of mirror from ICV.

OPA also reviewed SPD records and was unable to identify any reported collisions concerning the incident. Using GPS histories, OPA was able to locate two SPD vehicles in the vicinity of the van at the approximate time of the collision, but ICV from both vehicles showed neither was driving on I-5, nor were the vehicles operating in emergency response.

Analysis and Conclusions:

Named Employee #1 – Allegation #1

13.010 - Collisions Involving Department Vehicles-3. Employees Will Notify a Sergeant of Department Vehicle Collisions

The Complainant alleged that NE#1—an unidentified SPD employee—struck their company van and failed to report the collision.

SPD policy requires employees to notify a sergeant of all department vehicle collisions. See SPD Policy 13.010-POL-3.

The evidence is insufficient for OPA to prove or disprove that an SPD vehicle struck the Complainant's van. OPA's review of ICV, and the photographic evidence provided by the Complainant suggests that the Complainant's mirror was undamaged prior to the alleged accident. OPA's review of SPD records indicates that an indeterminate number of SPD vehicles were, in fact, driving south along I-5 in emergency response to a call. Moreover, CM#1's recollection was that the van was struck by a blue Ford Explorer, which would be consistent with an SPD vehicle. However, CM#1 also acknowledged it was possible the Explorer belonged to another agency.

Accordingly, OPA recommends that this allegation be Not Sustained – Inconclusive.

Recommended Finding: **Not Sustained – Inconclusive**

Named Employee #1 – Allegation #2

13.010 – Collisions Involving Department Vehicles 4. Officers Shall Document All Collisions Involving Department Vehicles

The Complainant alleged that NE#1 failed to document a collision with the Complainant's company van.

SPD policy requires officers to document all collisions involving department vehicles. See SPD Policy 13.010-POL-4.

For the same reasons articulated for Allegation #1, OPA recommends this allegation be Not Sustained – Inconclusive.

Recommended Finding: **Not Sustained – Inconclusive**