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To: Chief Rafael Medina, III *RW*
From: Capt. Marc Petruzzi *MP*

Re: Internal Affairs Investigations Summary/Analysis 2022

Sir,

The following is a summary of all Internal Affairs Investigations conducted by the Wethersfield Police Department between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022.

Complaint #21-007 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On July 12th, 2021 an internal investigation was initiated as a result of a complaint that an agency employee violated department policies in the process of conducting another investigation. Lt DeMonte investigated and no discipline was issued

Complaint #21-008 Internal Affairs Investigation (Citizen Complaint)

On July 14th, 2021 an in-person complaint was received stating four officers failed to appropriately investigate and document an assault. Lt. Connolly investigated and exonerated all four officers.

Complaint #21-009 Internal Affairs Investigation (Citizen Complaint)

On July 26th, 2023 a complaint was received from a party claiming they had been racially profiled during a traffic stop. Sgt. Rodriguez investigated and found the complaint to be unfounded.

Complaint #21-012 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On August 31st, 2021 an internal investigation was initiated as a result of a complaint that an agency employee had inappropriately recorded inventory information. Lt. Buyak investigated and exonerated the employee.

Complaint #21-013 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On August 17th, 2021 an internal investigation was initiated based on a complaint from an agency employee that they had been suffering retaliation from a supervisor as a result of a previous IA investigation. Superintendent Davoren found the claims to be Not Sustained.

Complaint #21-014 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On September 8th, 2021 an internal investigation was initiated based on a complaint from an agency employee that another employee failed to follow department policy regarding social media and receipt of gifts. Acting Lieutenant Wren investigated and the employee received a written warning.



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Complaint #21-015 Internal Affairs Investigation (Citizen Complaint)

On October 20th, 2021 an emailed complaint was received claiming an officer inappropriately issued a parking ticket. Acting Lt Wren investigated and exonerated the officer.

Complaint #22-001 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On February 2nd, 2022 an internal investigation was initiated based on a verbal complaint that an agency employee had falsely accused a supervisor of making false statements. Chief Medina investigated and the employee was issued a suspension.

Complaint #22-002 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On March 9th, 2022 an investigation was initiated based on an accusation that an acting sergeant failed to ensure an incident was investigated appropriately. Acting Lt Wren investigated and the acting sergeant was reduced in rank to officer.

Complaint #22-003 Internal Affairs Investigation (Citizen Complaint)

On April 6th, 2022 a complaint was received from a party claiming they were subjected to excessive force and an improper arrest. Acting Lt Wren investigated and exonerated the officers.

Complaint #22-004 Internal Affairs Investigation (Internal Complaint)

On May 26th, 2022 an investigation was initiated based upon information that an acting sergeant and a sergeant serving in a police officer position had failed to appropriately investigate a robbery. Lt. Rodriguez investigated and sustained the charges against both. The acting sergeant was reduced in rank to officer and the sergeant was issued a suspension.

Summary of Complaints

The listed statistics represent the results of the above referenced investigations.

Sustained with Discipline:	4
Sustained No Discipline:	1
Not Sustained:	1
Exonerated:	4
Unfounded:	1
Withdrawn:	0