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COPA RELEASES VIDEO & OTHER MATERIALS RELATED TO AN OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING NEAR 5000 W. LAWRENCE

CHICAGO - Today, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) released video and other materials related to an officer-involved shooting that occurred on September 20, 2022, near 5000 West Lawrence. COPA investigators immediately responded to the scene and began the investigation.

Based on preliminary information, the incident began when an off-duty member of the Department was involved in an incident with another driver that resulted in the officer being shot in the face. Following the shooting, responding Department members viewed video from a nearby business and identified the shooter's vehicle. OEMC (Office of Emergency Management) dispatchers then broadcast the description and units in the area began to look for the vehicle.

Officers located and began to converge on the suspected vehicle. Two officers then approached the vehicle, while giving verbal commands. The individual driving the suspected vehicle began to flee and one officer discharged their firearm, without striking the subject, who fled the scene.

COPA can confirm body-worn camera footage captures the officer-involved shooting and has released to its website: body-worn camera, POD, in-car camera (ICC) and third-party video, OEMC Transmissions, Case Incident, Traffic Crash and Tactical Response Reports, which can be viewed by visiting: https://www.chicagocopa.org/case/2022-0004050/.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing and once concluded, COPA will release the Summary Report of Investigation in accordance with Municipal Ordinance.

The Superintendent's response to any COPA recommendations of discipline or other remedial action, if applicable, will determine the extent of the additional review processes that follow. These review processes may include, but are not limited to, review by the City of Chicago Department of Law, hearing before the Chicago Police Board, grievance filings, and arbitration.

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