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COPA CONCLUDES INVESTIGATION INTO OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING NEAR 6400 W. HIGGINS AVENUE

The Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) has concluded its investigation and delivered its Final Summary Report (FSR), investigative materials, and disciplinary recommendations to the Chicago Police Department, regarding an officer-involved shooting that occurred on July 29, 2022.

On July 29, 2022, COPA was notified of an officer-involved shooting near 6400 W. Higgins Avenue. Based on preliminary information, the incident began when members of the Department were inside a Subway restaurant located in a commercial plaza at 5200 N. Nagle Ave and their attention was drawn to a vehicle outside, which prompted them to investigate further. The officers briefly followed the vehicle which drifted through the intersection before crashing into a nearby light pole. As the two suspects fled, one officer discharged their firearm, without striking either suspect. Officers pursued the suspects who were taken into custody. A firearm, not believed to be used in the incident, was recovered inside the vehicle.

Materials related to this incident were posted on our website on September 14, 2022, and include body-worn camera, 911 audio, OEMC transmissions, Case Incident and Tactical Response reports. These materials can be viewed by visiting <https://www.chicagocopa.org/case/2022-0003169/>

COPA's ordinance requires the Superintendent to respond within 60 days, though the Superintendent may request to extend the review period for up to 30 additional days, for a total review period not to exceed 90 days.

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.

COPA will post its Final Summary Report (FSR), which will include COPA's analysis of the evidence and investigative findings and recommendations, on its website upon the conclusion of the Department's Command Channel Review or, if applicable, following service of disciplinary charges by the Department of Law on any involved officer.

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