

Memorandum



DATE: October 24, 2014

TO: Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee: Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates, Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT: **Officer Involved Shooting Report: 2003-2014**

On Monday, October 27, 2014, you will be briefed on the Officer Involved Shooting Report: 2003-2014. The briefing materials are attached for your review.



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Assistant City Manager

Attachment

cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
Warren M.S. Ernst, City Attorney
Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor
Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary
Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge
Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager

Jill A. Jordan, P.E., Assistant City Manager
Mark McDaniel, Assistant City Manager
Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
Sana Syed, Public Information Officer
Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Mayor & Council



Officer Involved Shooting Report

2003-2014

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David O. Brown
Chief Of Police

Purpose and Goal

Demonstrate commitment to the citizens of Dallas through the sharing of key information about Officer Involved Shooting Incident (OIS) Website Report

- Be transparent wherever possible to provide insight into investigative process
- Strengthen understanding into what our officers' encounter, the training and equipment given to prepare them for these instances, and the measures of accountability taken throughout

Definition and Investigation

Officer Involved Shooting (OIS): An incident where an officer on or off duty discharges a firearm at another person while acting as a police officer

OIS Investigations

- Each OIS incident is investigated by the Special Investigations Unit, comprised of experienced homicide detectives and supervisors
- Average of 16.5 incidents per year over the past twelve years
- January 2014 – October 2014: 19 OIS incidents

OIS Website Report

Posting

- The report will be posted on www.dallaspolice.net and www.dpdbeat.com
- DPD is currently working with CIS to place the information onto these sites during November 2014
- Information on the report will be updated quarterly

OIS Website Report

Format and Sequence of Information

- Message from the Chief of Police
 - Contains actions recently implemented as the Department continuously reviews these incidents and works proactively to improve our responses
- Explanation of why DPD provides OIS information
 - Includes a description of the Department's organizational commitment to the protection of human life
- Description of what is an OIS and the Investigative Process
- Posting of General Order 906.00
 - “Use of Deadly Force”

OIS Website

Format and Sequence of Information continued

- OIS summaries from 2003 to present
 - Excel format with key information such as date, location, suspect disposition/ethnicity/gender/weapon, and Grand Jury action
 - Expanded summary connected via hyperlink
- Line Graph depicting number of OIS incidents 2003-14
- Bar Chart showing Disposition of Suspects 2003-14
 - Killed, injured or shoot miss incidents
- Discussion of how the Department is Reducing Deadly Force Incidents
 - Policy, training and equipment

Summary

The trust of the citizens of Dallas is hard to earn but easy to lose, therefore, the Department will continue to:

- Demonstrate a commitment to the preservation of life as a guiding principle in policy and training
- Be open and forthright regarding incidents of deadly force
- Adopt policies, training and investigative procedures reflecting nationally recognized best practices
- Ensure the legitimacy of the public's interest in the actions and expectations of its Police Department are understood

Questions?