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March 10, 2022

BPC 22-056

The Honorable Public Safety Committee
City of Los Angeles
c/o City Clerk's Office
City Hall, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: RESPONSE TO COUNCIL FILE NO. 22-0051 OVERVIEW OF ALL OFFICER –
INVOLVED SHOOTING INCIDENTS IN 2021.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners held Tuesday, March 8, 2022, the Board APPROVED the Department's report relative to the above matter.

This matter is being forwarded to you for approval.

Respectfully,

BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Maria Silva".

MARIA SILVA
Commission Executive Assistant II

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c: Chief of Police

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

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March 2, 2022
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TO: The Honorable Board of Police Commissioners

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE TO LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (CITY COUNCIL FILE NO. 22-0051)

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. That the Board of Police Commissioners (BOPC) REVIEW and APPROVE the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) response to the Public Safety Committee.
2. That the BOPC TRANSMIT to the Public Safety Committee the attached response.

DISCUSSION

On February 10, 2022, the Public Safety Committee directed the LAPD to report with the following:

Report with an overview of all Officer Involved Shooting incidents in 2021, including the status, timeline, and findings of non-compliance with the LAPD's Use of Force Policy as compared to findings for the previous five years.

This report addresses the Public Safety Committee matter. A more in depth comparison of Officer Involved Shooting statistics can be found on the [LAPD's](#) website through the 2020 Use of Force Year End Review beginning on page 145.

If you have any questions, please contact Office of Support Services at (213) 486-8410.

Respectfully,


MICHEL R. MOORE
Chief of Police

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Approved *March 8, 2022*
Secretary *Maria Silva*

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INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

February 24, 2022
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TO: Chief of Police

FROM: Director, Office of Support Services

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Should you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Office of Support Services, at (213) 486-8410.



DOMINIC H. CHOI, Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Support Services

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Fact Sheet

Officer Involved Shooting (OIS) Comparison Data 2016-2021

OIS Hits						
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total OIS Incidents	40	44	33	26	27	37
OIS Incidents with Hits	27	30	24	21	12	31
Percentage of OIS with Hits	68%	68%	73%	81%	44%	84%

- Average number of OIS incidents per year is 34.5.
- 37 OIS incidents in 2021 was 7 percent above the six-year average.
- Six-year average percentage of OIS incidents with Hits per year is 70 percent.
- Percentage of OIS incidents with Hits in 2021 was 14 percent above the six-year average.

OIS Fatalities						
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total OIS Incidents	40	44	33	26	27	37
Fatal OIS Incidents	20*	17	14**	12	7	17***
Pct. of OIS with Fatalities	50%	39%	42%	46%	26%	46%

- Average number of OIS incidents resulting in fatalities per year is 14.5.
- Six-year average percentage of OIS incidents resulting in fatalities per year is 42 percent.
- *In 2016, one OIS fatality was determined to be the result of a self-inflicted gunshot wound by the subject, rather than by an officer's bullet (F084-16).
- **In 2018, two OIS incidents resulted in the deaths of innocent bystanders by officers' bullets. The total OIS fatalities in 2018 was 16.
- ***In 2021, one OIS incident resulted in the death of an innocent bystander by an officer's bullet. The total OIS fatalities in 2021 was 18.

Administrative Disapproval (AD)						
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total OIS Incidents	40	44	33	26	27	37
OIS w/ AD Lethal Finding	6	10	5	5	9	1*
Pct. of OIS w/ AD Finding	15%	23%	15%	19%	33%	N/A

- Average number of OIS incidents per year resulting in an Out of Policy force finding is 7 (2016-2020).
- Percentage of OIS incidents resulting in an Out of Policy force finding averaged 21 percent between 2016 and 2020.
- Out of Policy force findings in 2020 were 12 percent higher than the five-year average.

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- *As of January 17, 2022, only four OIS incidents from 2021 had been adjudicated by the Board of Police Commission (BOPC). One (25 percent) was adjudicated as Out of Policy.

Lethal Force and AD Findings						
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total OIS Incidents	40	44	33	26	27	37
Officers w/ Lethal Finding	51	110	48	48	39	52
Officers w/ AD Force Finding	6	24	7	5	13	1*
Pct of Officers w/ AD Finding	12%	22%	15%	10%	33%	N/A

- Average number of officers per year receiving Lethal Force findings is 58.
- Average number of officers per year (2016-2020) receiving an Out of Policy Lethal Force finding is 11.
- Average percentage of officers per year (2016-2020) receiving an Out of Policy Force finding is 19 percent.
- *As of January 17, 2022, seven officers involved in 2021 OIS incidents have received Lethal Force finding by the BOPC. One (14 percent) received an Out of Policy force finding.

BOPC Amended Findings						
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total OIS Incidents	40	44	33	26	27	37
OIS Incidents w/ BOPC Amended Finding	2*	3**	2	1	2	0***
Pct. of OIS Incidents w/ BOPC Amended Finding	5%	7%	6%	4%	7%	N/A

- Between 2016 and 2020, the BOPC amended the Chief of Police's (COP) findings in ten OIS cases (Average of two per year).
- *In 2016, one case received no finding by the BOPC because the commission's vote was deadlocked 2-2 after two attempts (F089-16).
- **In 2017, one case with an amended finding by the BOPC was for Tactics, not the use of Lethal Force (F049-17).
- ***As of January 17, 2022, the BOPC has not amended the COP's recommended findings in any of the four cases reviewed by the commission.
- At least three cases with BOPC amended findings were appealed by the affected officers and received adjudications of "Not Guilty" by the hearing officers (F025-17, F029-17, and F024-18).

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2021 OIS Weapons Analysis

Weapons Used by Subject

- Of the 37 OIS incidents in 2021, the subject of the OIS was armed with a firearm in 15 incidents (40.5 percent).
- In 14 OIS incidents, the subjects were armed with edged weapon (37.8 percent).
- In five OIS incidents, the subjects were either armed with replica firearms or the officers perceived the subject to be armed with a firearm (13.5 percent).
- In two OIS incidents, the subjects were armed with a blunt object (hammer and bike lock) (5.4 percent).
- In one OIS incident, the subject's vehicle was perceived by the officer to be a weapon (2.7 percent).

Weapons Used by Officers

- Of the 37 OIS incidents in 2021, officers fired only handguns in 28 incidents (75.7 percent).
- Officers fired police rifles in 8 of the 37 OIS incidents (21.6 percent).
- One incident of the 37 OIS incidents involved an officer who discharged a police shotgun (2.7 percent).
- In 14 of the 37 OIS incidents, more than one officer discharged a firearm (37.8 percent).
- Of the 14 OIS incidents involving more than one officer discharging a firearm, 11 involved only handguns, two involved a rifle and a handgun, and one involved two rifles.
- Only one of the 37 OIS incidents in 2021 involved more than two officers discharging their firearms (F034-21, three officers, one rifle, two handguns).

Weapons Used Analysis

- Of the eight OIS incidents in 2021 involving an officer's use of a rifle, the subjects were armed as follows: Four with handguns, one with a shotgun, one with a replica handgun, one with an edged weapon, and one with a bike lock.
- In the one OIS incident involving an officer's discharge of a shotgun, the subject was armed with a replica firearm.
- Of the 14 OIS incidents involving subjects armed with edged weapons, officers discharged only handguns in 13. One incident involved an officer's use of a rifle (F051-21).
- Eight of 14 OIS incidents involving subjects armed with edged weapons resulted in only one officer discharging his/her firearm. In the six others, two officers discharged their firearms.

2021 OIS Investigation Status

The status of the 2021 OIS incidents is as follows:

- Four of 37 OIS incidents have been adjudicated by the BOPC.
- Two cases have been presented to the COP and are awaiting BOPC presentation.
- Five cases have been presented to the Use of Force Review Board (UOFRB) and are awaiting presentation to the COP and BOPC.

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- Four cases are awaiting presentation to the UOFRB.
- 22 cases are still under investigation by FID.

For context, the investigation, review, and adjudication process for OIS incidents is as follows:

- From the date of the OIS, Force Investigation Division has eight months to complete the investigation and submit it to Critical Incident Review Division (CIRD) for review.
- CIRD has no more than one month to review the investigation and prepare it for presentation to the UOFRB.
- The UOFRB generally occurs about nine months after the OIS.
- Following the UOFRB, CIRD has no more than one month to prepare the COP's correspondence to the BOPC outlining his recommended findings. The OIS case and UOFRB findings are presented to the COP during this time and his correspondence must be signed no later than 60 days from the statute date.
- OIS case and COP recommended findings are presented to the BOPC for final adjudication no later than 30 days from the statute date.

Should you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Captain Scot Williams, Critical Incident Review Division, at (213) 486-5950.