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DE-IDENTIFIED SUMMARY UNDER SECTION 167(2) OF THE CSPA

Original Police Service: [redacted] Date ~~of~~ Complaint: 02/17/2026

Type of Investigation:

Referred to Same Service: ○ Referred to Other Service: ○ Retained by LECA: ◉

Service Investigations Referred to:

De-identified Summary of Complaint

The Complainant was attaching protest signs to utility poles around the City when the Respondent Officer approached and commenced to tear down the signs. The Respondent Officer informed the Complainant that they could not post signs on polls. The Complainant stated that they had a constitutional right to protest and that they were not harming anyone.

On a second occasion, the Complainant was placing protest signs on poles when he was approached by the same Respondent Officer. The Complainant requested the officer cease from removing the signs. The Complainant asked the officer to return the signs to them and, at that point, they alleged that the officer “shoved” the signs toward them, and the Complainant almost lost their balance from the force of the encounter.

The Complainant further alleged that the Respondent Officer appeared “very angry” as he walked back to his vehicle. The Complainant was in “shock” by the actions of the officer and they had to take medication to calm down. The Complainant ceased all protest activities due to fear of the police.

Unsubstantiated Code of Conduct Allegations

Allegation 1
Section 10(1) A police officer shall not conduct themselves in a manner that undermines, or is likely to undermine, public trust in policing.
The Complainant alleged that the Respondent Officer denied them their right to protest and tore down the signs they placed on utility poles.

Allegation 2
Section 11(1) A police officer shall not use force unless,

Decision and Reasons

Allegation 1
Based on the evidence obtained during the investigation and analysis of all information, the Complaints Director determined there was insufficient evidence, to believe on reasonable grounds, that the Respondent Officer undermined, or was likely to undermine public trust in policing. The allegation is unsubstantiated.

Allegation 2
Based on the evidence obtained during the investigation and analysis of all information, the Complaints Director determined there was insufficient evidence, to believe on reasonable grounds, that the Respondent Officer used unnecessary force against the Complainant. This allegation is unsubstantiated