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COPA RELEASES VIDEO & OTHER MATERIAL FROM USE OF FORCE INCIDENT NEAR 8100 S. HERMITAGE

Today, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) released, to its website, video, and other materials from a recent use of force incident near 8100 S. Hermitage Avenue.

On June 23, 2024, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) notified COPA of an incident that took place in the 8100 block of S. Hermitage Avenue. The incident began when two on-duty Chicago Police Officers were responding to call of a person with a gun. Once officers arrived, they were informed that the individual struck a person with a gun and fled.

Officers patrolled the area, eventually locating the individual and in their attempt to apprehend the individual, they fled on foot. Officers gave verbal commands and pursued the individual on foot, leading to an encounter that resulted in the individual falling to the ground, where they sustained a serious head injury and were transported to the hospital. A gun was recovered from the scene.

Several weeks after the incident, COPA received a court order preventing the release of materials, but subsequently learned the individual passed away. COPA is no longer prohibited from public release and has posted materials to our website in accordance with the City's Video Release Policy.

COPA serves as the designated agency for the City of Chicago authorized to release video and other materials per the Consent Decree and the City's Video Release Policy. Related to this use of force incident, COPA has released to its website: body-worn camera (BWC) videos, in-car camera (ICC) videos, OEMC Transmissions, Case Incident Reports, Arrest Report, Foot Pursuit Reports, and Tactical Response Reports (TRR), which can be viewed by visiting: https://www.chicagocopa.org/case/2024-0005768/

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