

Colorado Springs Police Department Level I Report

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Incident Details

Date Received	Date of Occurrence	Time of Occurrence
09/16/2020	08/15/2020	
Record ID Number	CFS #	IA #
██████████	██████████	20-266
Date/Time Entered	Entered By	
09/16/2020 08:19	[IAPro entry - Theresa Person]	
Blueteam Assigned Investigator	IAPro Assigned Investigator	
Police Sergeant Robert McCafferty	Theresa Person	

Incident Summary

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Complaint Received: phone

091620- On 8/19/20, while speaking with the complainant about another complaint (IA20-227), he mentioned another incident he had issues with. The complainant said on 8/15/20, he saw fire near the 7-11 on Harrison. He went to check it out and observed a "shady homeless male." The complainant said he suspected the male of starting the fire so he could "rob" the 7-11. The complainant said something to the first two officers (a white male officer and a black male officer) about the homeless male. The officers walked toward the male, who ran off. The officers didn't tell the male to stop nor did they go after him. The complainant went home but later returned to the scene. At the scene, the complainant approached a sergeant and told him about the male. The sergeant said it was worth looking into but just stood there. The complainant felt the sergeant was trying to placate him, so the complainant stared at the sergeant until he did something. According to the complainant, the homeless male did start the fire. The complainant was upset that the officers failed to respond to his concerns and investigate the fire.-CCI Theresa Person (6330)

091720-I reviewed all available BWC footage. I was able to identify the officers that the complainant referred to as Officers Jeffrey Johnson-Dean (6806) and ██████████ and ██████████. In Officers Johnson-Dean's BWC the complainant approached the officers and said there was a person in the 7-11 stealing things. The fire was behind the 7-11. As the officers approached the 7-11, the officers observed people still in the store and they evacuated the store. The complainant commented "Don't worry about the guy running from the crime scene. Fucking morons." Several other witnesses expressed their displeasure with the complainant's comments and one witness later apologized to the officers for the complainant's remark. Shortly after that ██████████ and ██████████ arrived on scene. The complainant approached ██████████ and asked if really cared because the arson suspect was nearby and his officers didn't do anything to stop him. Officer Johnson-Dean said the officers' concern was clearing the building. The complainant said Officer Johnson-Dean was just "covering his butt." ██████████ told Officers Johnson-Dean and ██████████ to remain at the fire scene while he and ██████████ checked the area for the suspect, soon after being told of the suspect. ██████████ and ██████████ located and detained the suspect. The Fire Department determined the fire was accidental due to lack of evidence. The store employee told the officers the suspect was prevented from leaving with any merchandise but they wanted the suspect trespassing from the property. -CCI Theresa Person (6330)

I have reviewed the call screens, case report, and CCI Person's review of BWC and other investigative notes. I find that the officers' investigation the day of the incident were thorough and that they were courteous during their contacts with the complainant. I recommend that all allegations be "exonerated" as all the officers' actions were justified, legal and proper, and within CSPD policies and procedures. --Lt. R.Chanza, 2140 (09/24/20).

Incident Location

Addresses

1402 Road, Colorado Springs, CO, 80905

- Location of Occurrence: 2-8

Reporting/Involved Citizen

[REDACTED]

Date of Birth: 05/31/1987 **Race:** Not Specified **Ethnicity:** Unknown **Gender:** Male**Addresses**

[REDACTED]

Phone Numbers

[REDACTED]

Role: [None Entered]**Injuries Sustained By Citizen**

No injury

Incident Employees

[REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Police Sergeant Patrol/PD - Gold Hill/Patrol/SF2 **Video Footage:** Yes**Role:** Involved Officer**Linked Allegations**

• Treatment Of The Public 1301 - Exonerated - 09/28/2020

Injuries Sustained By Employee

No injury

Police Officer Jeffrey Johnson-Dean - 6806**Assignment at time of incident:** Police Officer Patrol/PD - Gold Hill/Patrol/SF2 **Video Footage:** Yes**Role:** Involved Officer**Linked Allegations**

• Investigative Procedures 810 - Exonerated - 09/28/2020

Injuries Sustained By Employee

No injury

[REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Police Officer Patrol/PD - Gold Hill/Patrol/SF2 **Video Footage:** Yes**Role:** Involved Officer**Linked Allegations**

• Investigative Procedures 810 - Exonerated - 09/28/2020

Injuries Sustained By Employee

No injury

Employee Witnesses

[REDACTED]

Assignment at time of incident: Police Officer Patrol/PD - Gold Hill/DART/SF2

Video Footage: Yes

Role: Witness Officer

Tasks

Task Description	Date Due	Date Completed	Summary
Closure letter: exonerated	09/30/2020	10/05/2020	
please review	09/22/2020	09/24/2020	Please review
