

Citizen Complaint Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 5, 2026

Attendees Present

CCA Board Members

John J. Williams, Chair
Randi Burlew, Vice Chair
Samuel Burbanks, IV., Member
Rosa Cama, Member
Sarah Ghee, Member

Attendees Absent

Staff

Cathy Bailey, Assistant City Manager
John Kennedy, Director
Dena Brown, Division Manager
David Sturkey, Assistant City Solicitor, Law Department
Brandon Upchurch, Sr. Administrative Specialist
Andrew Alanis, Investigator
Jessalyn Goodman, Investigator
Ronald Pugh, Investigator
Robert Stephens, Investigator
Arnie Slaughter, Investigator
Kaitlyn Streicher, Investigator
Joseph Vesper, Investigator
Brent McCurley, Internal Investigation Section Lieutenant, CPD
Steve Sobel, CitiCable General Manager
Tom Potter, CitiCable Production Manager
Darius Jones, CitiCable Programming Manager

Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Member Burlew moved and Member Burbanks, IV. seconded a motion to accept minutes from the December 2025 meeting. (Agree 4 - Oppose 0 - Abstain - 1). **Motion passed.**

Director's Report

Director Kennedy presented the Director's Report to the Board.

The Board was presented with 7 new fully vetted CCA investigation reports and 1 fully vetted CCA investigation report partially continued from the previous meeting.

Director Kennedy noted the new cases involved taser use, towing concerns, and shoplifting allegations and reiterated CCA's role in investigations.

CPD Responses to CCA Recommendations

CPD is still reviewing CCA's recommendations presented during last meeting.

Public Comment

Cincinnati Black United Front (CBUF) member Julie Niesen provided the monthly themes of de-escalation and disability considerations.

CBUF member and consultant to the City Manager Iris Roley requested that the Board Chair ask the CCA Director to include how many cases were open beyond 90 days in future Director's Reports.

League of Women Voters of the Cincinnati Area (LWV) Miriam Oslaw requested that the CCA recommendations continue to be included in the meeting agendas and for CPD to respond to those recommendations.

Community member Franklin commented on the complaints he filed with CCA.

Old Business

1. **CCA Case Number 24238:** Will be presented at the following Board meeting when interpreters are available.

General Discussion

1. **CCA Case Number 25103:** IIS report is completed; awaiting final approval from Police Chief.
2. **CCA Case Number 25053:** CCA Board members will review additional case evidence prior to next meeting.

New Business

1. **CCA Case Number 25190:** Member Burbanks, IV. moved and Member Burlew seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

2. **CCA Case Number 25140:** Member Ghee moved and Member Burlew seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

3. **CCA Case Number 25147:** Member Burlew moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations. (Agree 5- Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

4. **CCA Case Number 25123:** Member Burbanks, IV. moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

5. **CCA Case Number 25146:** Member Burlew moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

6. **CCA Case Number 25096:** Member Ghee moved and Member Burlew seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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7. **CCA Case Number 25188:** Member Burbanks, IV. moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to accept CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**
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Announcements

ACM Bailey will have a meeting with CM Long and Director Kennedy to determine appropriate timeframes for CPD to respond to CCA recommendations.

Member Burlew requested an update at an upcoming Board meeting on which laws govern private security companies and a year-end report reconciling the department's findings with CPD's findings.

CBUF member and consultant to the City Manager Iris Roley reiterated the need for recourse for officers using verbal stunning.

Closing

Member Burlew moved and Member Burbanks, IV. seconded a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. The meeting ended at 7:01 p.m. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, February 2, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

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