

CCA Board Meeting Agenda July 8, 2026

1. Call to order

2. Introduction by Chair John J. Williams

The Citizen Complaint Authority was established in 2003 under the Collaborative Agreement and a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice. We are a seven-member board with a professional investigative staff, headed by a director. Staff investigates allegations of misconduct by police officers and, through the director, forwards the findings and recommendations to the board. Our decisions are based upon a legal standard known as a "preponderance of the evidence." *Simply stated, the question is, "Does the greater weight of the evidence favor one side or the other?"* Our area of inquiry is solely whether the officer's actions conformed to Cincinnati Police Department policies, procedures and training.

Our findings generally will be one of the following: (1) Unfounded: where the investigation determined no fact to support that the incident actually occurred; (2) Sustained: where the allegation is supported by sufficient evidence to determine the incident occurred and the actions of the officer were improper; (3) Not sustained: where there are insufficient facts to determine whether the alleged misconduct occurred; and (4) Exonerated: where the greater weight of the evidence indicates the alleged conduct did occur but did not violate police department policies, procedures and training. Our findings and recommendations are forwarded to the City Manager for final determination.

3. Mission Statement

Per Article XXVIII., the Citizen Complaint Authority's (CCA) mission will be to investigate serious interventions by police officers, including but not limited to, shots fired, deaths in custody and major uses of force, and to review and resolve citizen complaints in a fair and efficient manner.

4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting

5. Director's report presented by Director John Kennedy

6. CPD response to CCA recommendations/observations presented by IIS Lieutenant

- **#R2608 (CCA #25126)**
 - CPD needs to specifically undertake consideration with respect to juveniles and the use of force policy and procedures. CPD Procedure §12.545 Use of Force only mentions the following in relation to juveniles and use of force:
 - Factors to take it into account when using force is objectively reasonable (p. 3), What hospital to transport a juvenile after they have been tazed (p.14), Use of pepper ball launcher (p.18), The transport for juveniles 12 and under shot with beanbag shotgun (pp. 18 & 19), The avoidance of bean bag shot gun use on young children (p.19), Which hospital transport for juveniles struck by 40mm rounds (p. 20), Monadnock PR-24 avoid use on "known to be" young juveniles (p. 21).
 - There is no part in CPD procedure §12.545 Use of Force that requires officers to contact a parent or legal guardian after force has been used against their child. The procedure needs to incorporate a mandatory requirement that parental contact by a police supervisor must occur after force is used against a juvenile. Additionally, while CPD records use of force incident information, CCA further recommends that CPD incorporate a specific form or added form field to record specifically when force is used against juveniles. Recording this information will help CPD better track under

what circumstances force is being used on juveniles, any commonalities that may exist between the uses of force, and help CPD better address how they are responding to circumstances which lead to uses of force against juveniles.

7. Public comment period (not to exceed 3 minutes)

8. New business

1. CCA #22075 Ali Coulter
2. CCA #24144 Adrian Minor
3. CCA #24230 Anthony Mathis
4. CCA #25218 Austin Hust
5. CCA #25223 Marvonni Finnerson
6. CCA #25277 Unknown

9. Announcements

10. Adjournment to executive session (if required)

11. Reconvene if necessary (if required)

Thank you for viewing and attending the CCA Board meeting today.

Remember, CCA is here to help you address any concerns you have regarding interaction with a Cincinnati Police Officer. While CCA's primary purpose is to investigate specific allegations of serious misconduct by CPD, even if your concern does not fall within CCA's purview, CCA will send all concerns or commendations to CPD on your behalf.

The next Board meeting will be on **Monday, August 3, 2026**, at 5:00 pm. Copies of any of the investigation summaries discussed today are available on CCA's website at www.cincinnati-oh.gov/ccia.

12. Adjournment

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