

Citizen Complaint Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 8, 2026

Attendees Present

Attendees Absent

CCA Board Members

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

Staff

John Brazina, Assistant City Manager	
John Kennedy, Director	
Dena Brown, Division Manager	
David Sturkey, Assistant City Solicitor, Law Department	
Brandon Upchurch, Sr. Administrative Specialist	
Jessalyn Goodman, Investigator	Andrew Alanis, Investigator
Ronald Pugh, Investigator	
Arnie Slaughter, Investigator	
Robert Stephens, Investigator	
Kaitlyn Streicher, Investigator	
Joseph Vesper, Investigator	
Dennis Swingley, Internal Investigation Section Captain, CPD	
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 5:08 p.m.

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Member Burbanks, IV. moved and Member Burlew seconded a motion to accept minutes from the April 2026 meeting. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain - 0). **Motion passed.**

Director's Report

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

The Board was presented with six fully vetted CCA investigation reports as New Business. Each of the cases presented involved either a discharged firearm or a death.

Director Kennedy provided context for the differences in case facts possessed by the department and CPD regarding CCA #26047 and an update on the additional investigation for that case.

Director Kennedy commented on the additional CPD responses to the department's recommendations that were received and posted to the department's website.

CPD Responses to CCA Recommendations

Lieutenant McCurley: Will continue to respond to all of the department's recommendations in writing and will submit on a quarterly basis. The responses to the Q2 recommendations were recently submitted to the department.

Public Comment

Cincinnati Black United Front (CBUF) member and consultant to the City Manager Iris Roley commented on the upcoming CBUF meeting to discuss bias-free policing in Cincinnati and to review history on the Collaborative Agreement. She expressed her dissatisfaction with officers involved with complaints retiring prior to participating in the department's investigation.

League of Women Voters Mary commented on concerns with CPD's responses to the department's recommendations and the overall recommendation process.

New Business

1. CCA Case Number 22075: 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.**

2. CCA Case Number 24144: 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.**

3. CCA Case Number 24230: Member Burbanks IV. 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 25218: 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.**

5. CCA Case Number 25223: 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 25277: Member Burbanks, IV. moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to table decision on CCA's findings and recommendations, if any. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

Announcements

2026 Campaign Zero Contact Card report: Member Burlew moved and Member Burbanks, IV. seconded a motion to discuss the findings detailed in the report (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

Chair Williams noted that the Board will work on crafting specific language for the Board's recommendation for CCA #24230.

Closing

Member Burlew moved and Member Ghee seconded a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. The meeting ended at 6:58 p.m. (Agree 5 - Oppose 0 - Abstain 0). **Motion passed.**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, August 3, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.**

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