

## CIVILIAN COMPLAINT REVIEW BOARD

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## <u>Civilian Complaint Review Board Resolution Delegating Authority to Initiate Complaints</u> <u>to the Executive Director</u>

**WHEREAS**, by passing Local Law 24 of 2022 ("Local Law 24"), the New York City Council amended paragraphs 1, 2, and 5 of subdivision c of section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Local Law 24 amended paragraph 1 of subdivision c of section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter to permit the Civilian Complaint Review Board ("CCRB") to receive, investigate, hear, make findings and recommend action upon complaints initiated by the board against members of the police department that allege misconduct involving excessive use of force, abuse of authority including bias-based policing and racial profiling, discourtesy, or use of offensive language, including, but not limited to, slurs relating to race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation and disability, and to investigate, hear, make findings and recommend action regarding the truthfulness of any material official statement made by a member of the police department who is the subject of a complaint initiated by the board; and

WHEREAS, Local Law 24 amended paragraph 5 of subdivision c of section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter to authorize the board to appoint such employees as are necessary to exercise its powers, including but not limited to, the power to initiate complaints in accordance with paragraph 1 of subdivision c of section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 13, 2022, the Board held a public hearing and accepted public comment on proposed changes to the rules of the CCRB, including rule changes that reflected the amendments to the New York City Charter made by Local Law 24; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2022, the Board approved the adoption of the amended rules of the CCRB, which included the amendment of Rule § 1-02 Jurisdiction, to reflect that the CCRB's jurisdiction included complaints initiated by the Board and that the Board is "authorized to appoint such Agency staff as necessary to exercise its powers, including, but not limited to, the power to initiate complaints and fulfill its duties," and the addition of Rule § 1-14 Board

Initiated Complaints, which provides that the Board "may delegate its power to initiate complaints to the Civilian Complaint Review Board's Chair, Executive Director, General Counsel, or Board member panel, subject to any conditions deemed appropriate by the Board. The authority delegated to the Chair, Executive Director, General Counsel, or Board member panel to initiate complaints may be revoked by the Board;" and

**WHEREAS**, the adopted amended rules of the CCRB were published in the City Record on September 22, 2022, and became effective on October 22, 2022.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter and CCRB Rules §§ 1-02 and 1-14, the Board hereby delegates its authority to initiate complaints and appoints the CCRB's Executive Director to exercise that power; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to section 440 of Chapter 18-A of the New York City Charter and CCRB Rules §§ 1-02 and 1-14, the Board may, upon a majority vote of its members, revoke this delegation of authority or appoint additional or alternate employees to exercise its power to initiate complaints.