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CIVILIAN COMPLAINT REVIEW BOARD  
PUBLIC MEETING  
June 8, 2022  
4:08 p.m.

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B E F O R E :  
ARVA RICE, INTERIM CHAIR  
JONATHAN DARCHE, ESQ., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

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1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Minutes
3. Report from the Chair
4. Report from the Executive Director
5. Presentation from Outreach on CCRB
6. Public Comment
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Adjourn to Executive Session

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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1. Arva Rice, Interim Board Chair
2. AU Hogan, Board Member
3. Rev. Dr. Demetrius S. Carolina Sr., Board Member
4. Esmeralda Simmons, Esq., Board Member
5. Joseph A. Puma, Board Member
6. Michael Rivadeneyra, Esq., Board Member
7. Herman Merritt, Board Member
8. Willie Freeman, Board Member
9. Salvatore F. Carcaterra, Board Member
10. John Siegal, Esq, Board Member
11. Erica Bond, Board Member

Presenters:

Jahi Rose - Director of Outreach  
New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board

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MS. ALVAREZ: -- Gloria Vargas and Emilio Garcia. There will be instructions in the chat on how to pin their videos and a CART close captioning services are also provided, a link to that URL will also be provided.

CHAIR RICE: Good afternoon, everyone, and welcome to the Civilian Complaint Review Board's June Board meeting.

My name is Arva Rice. I use the pronouns she and her, and I am the Interim Chair of the Board.

I would like to call the CCRB's June public Board meeting to order.

I would like to begin today's discussion by remembering the victims of Buffalo, as well as Uvalde, and the other horrific mass shootings that continue to terrorize Americans.

Just this past weekend, 15 people were killed and over 60 injured in mass shootings across the country.

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This is a national crisis that requires action from our lawmakers. And while I'm pleased that New York took swift action to increase regulation, there is more that needs to be done.

The Board and I are keeping the victims' families in our thoughts and in our prayers.

I am now pleased to welcome someone who has spent years working to get guns off the streets, our newest Board member, AU Hogan.

AU has dedicated his career to the betterment of this community in Queens through public service, community engagement and non-profit work.

AU, would you like to say a few words?

MR. HOGAN: Yes. I'm glad to be here, the work continues (sound disruption) legislature that (sound disruption) what we have been doing. The last 20 years,

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we have been really looking at the effects of violence, as opposed to looking at the root causes of it. And once we start approaching that from that angle, we might see some light and have a safer environment and safe community for young people and the vast community.

I'm just glad to be here.

CHAIR RICE: Welcome to the Board of the CCRB.

We'd like to have the rest of the Board members introduce themselves. And I guess we'll start on this end. We can start with Herman.

MR. MERRITT: My name is Herman Merritt, City Council representative from Brooklyn.

MR. CARCATERRA: Hello everyone. My name is Sal Carcaterra, police Commissioner designee.

MR. HOGAN: AU Hogan, designee from City Council. I'm from southeast Queens.

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MR. DARCHE: Jon Darche,  
Executive Director.

MR. PUMA: My name is Joseph  
Puma. I am the City Council  
representative on the Board from  
Manhattan. And I go by he/his  
pronouns.

MR. SIEGAL: Good afternoon.  
John Siegal. With he/him. I'm a  
mayoral appointee for the CCRB.

CHAIR RICE: Michael?

MR. RIVADENEYRA: Good  
afternoon, everyone. Michael  
Rivadeneyra. Pronouns he/him. I am a  
City Council designee hailing from the  
Bronx.

And welcome to our newest  
colleague on the Board.

CHAIR RICE: We've also been  
joined by Erica.

(sound disruption)

June is a very important month  
throughout New York City, as we  
celebrate Pride Month. The outreach

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team joined the Queens Pride Parade this past weekend, and will march in the Brooklyn Pride Parade this coming Saturday, and will be tabling at the Bronx Pride Festival next weekend.

They will continue to identify Pride events in all five boroughs to set up informational tables and participate in celebrating New York City's LGBTQIA+ community.

The Agency has also been making changes internally to ensure we are supporting all LGBTQIA+ employees. All CCRB employees have been asked to include their pronouns in e-mail signatures and meeting IDs. And all senior staff will be trained by CCHR on how to create a safe work environment for all.

I would also like to thank the members of the CCRB's LGBTQIA+ Affinity Group EEO officers and staff for all their help in updating the Agency's policies and making a better

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work environment for all.

We will not hear from Executive Director Jon Darche.

MR. DARCHE: Thank you, Chair Rice.

I'm going to spend the bulk of my comments responding to questions from last month.

Last month, we were asked if we could share the monthly reporter earlier. And we are now publishing it two days before the Board meeting each month on our website, rather than the 24 hours, as required by the Open Meetings Law. And we are also going to be including the names of members of service with substantiated complaints moving forward.

There were questions about the length of public comment. The Open Meetings Law recommends limiting statements to three to five minutes, depending on the number of people attending the meeting. Our meetings

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are governed by the Open Meetings Law,  
so we followed their guidelines with a  
four-minute rule.

Board Member Siegal had asked  
about deviations by the Board in --  
from the Matrix in protest cases. And  
the Board did not deviate from any of  
the -- from the Matrix in any of the  
protest cases.

And then one of the members of  
the public asked about complaints  
coming from precincts. So, so far  
this year, we have had 14 complaints  
come in from precincts, as opposed to  
either in person or phone calls or  
online. And that is down from 2018,  
when we had 95.

That Outreach Unit has been  
proactive about this, going to  
commands around the City to make sure  
that, not only that they have our  
contact information prominently  
displayed, but they have been handing  
out self-addressed envelopes to the

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Commands in case a person wants to make a complaint, but doesn't want to have that complaint forwarded by the Department. Also, the Department has those complaint forms. So, if a civilian fills it out and gives it to the front desk, they will forward it to us through the Department system.

So, we have been getting complaints from the precincts, and we are continuing to work with the Department to make sure that our information is prominently displayed inside the precincts.

We -- just a quick update on upcoming operations. We expect to have our protest report out in the coming months. Our office is open for walk-in complainants, but it's also possible to file complaints online at [nyc.gov/ccrbcomplaint](https://nyc.gov/ccrbcomplaint) or [nyc.gov/ccrbcomplaint](https://nyc.gov/ccrbcomplaint). And you can call us to file a complaint on the telephone by dialing 311, or by

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2 dialing us directly at (800)341-2272.

3 Again, during the public  
4 session, we are going to be limiting  
5 comments to four minutes per person.

6 And I want to thank the staff  
7 for all their hard work, and thanks,  
8 again, to members of the public for  
9 participating in the meeting today.

10 CHAIR RICE: Okay. Alright. Just  
11 checking to see if we have a quorum.

12 Can I ask for a motion to move  
13 the minutes as presented?

14 MALE SPEAKER: So moved.

15 CHAIR RICE: Is there a second?

16 MALE SPEAKER: Second.

17 CHAIR RICE: Okay. Are there any  
18 changes? I don't think so. Does  
19 anything have any change in the  
20 minutes?

21 (No response.)

22 Okay. Hearing none, all those  
23 in favor of approving the minutes, say  
24 aye.

25 (Chorus of ayes.)

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Are there any opposed?

(No response.)

Okay. The minutes are approved.  
Thank you.

Before I move to the director or  
outreach's presentation, I did want to  
ask, were there any -- Okay. Sorry.

Did anyone have any questions  
for Jonathan from his update?

MR. CARCATERRA: Hey, Jon, just  
one quick question. When you did the  
comparison of 14 complaints this year  
to date, you compared it to 2018. Why  
'18? What about '19, '20, '21?

MR. DARCHE: Because there was  
just a steady decline, so I didn't  
want to go into each year. I don't --  
based on what we have been doing, we  
don't see any problem with it because  
we're still getting the complaints,  
and when we go to the precincts, our  
information is properly displayed.

CHAIR RICE: Any other questions  
based on Jonathan's response to some

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2 of the questions that he was referring  
3 to in the last meeting?

4 (No response.)

5 CHAIR RICE: Alright. So we will  
6 have our presentation from our  
7 Director of Outreach Mr. Jahi Rose.

8 Jahi.

9 MR. ROSE: Thank you very much,  
10 Chair Rice.

11 Hello, everyone. My name is  
12 Jahi Rose. I go by he/him pronouns.  
13 Just bear with me for one moment while  
14 I share my screen.

15 (Whereupon, presentation was  
16 displayed on the share screen for  
17 all parties to view.)

18 Can everyone see my screen.

19 MR. DARCHE: Yes.

20 MR. ROSE: As you all may know,  
21 the Civilian Complaint Review Board is  
22 the nation's largest independent  
23 oversight entity over the largest  
24 police force in the country. The CCRB  
25 investigates, mediates, and prosecutes

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complaints of misconduct alleged  
against members of the NYPD.

The Agency is governed by a  
15-member board with five seats  
appointed by the mayor, five appointed  
by the New York City Council, three  
designated by the police commissioner,  
and one appointed by the public  
advocate. The chair is jointly  
appointed by the City Council and the  
mayor.

Many of you have -- you have met  
many of our Board members on this call  
today.

The CCRB can investigate four  
different types of allegations alleged  
against New York City police officers,  
that's -- a helpful reminder for this  
is FADO. FADO stands for force, abuse  
of authority, discourtesy, and  
offensive language.

Just some information regarding  
the Right to Know Act. The Right to  
Know Act was put into effect

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2 October 2018. This mainly impacts  
3 stop and frisk encounters, sobriety  
4 checkpoints, and other encounters with  
5 police officers. It includes, under  
6 certain circumstances, officers  
7 identifying themselves by providing  
8 their name and other identifying  
9 information, such as their rank,  
10 command and shield number with some  
11 exceptions; explaining the purpose of  
12 an interaction; informing individuals  
13 of their right to say no when asking  
14 for their consent to search an  
15 individual's person, property,  
16 vehicle, or home; and providing a  
17 business card -- under certain  
18 circumstances, providing a business  
19 card with an officer's information  
20 that explains how to make a comment  
21 and/or complaint about an encounter  
22 with a police officer. Civilians can  
23 request this information in all  
24 encounters.

25 This is a copy of what the

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2 business card looks like.

3 There are various ways, as  
4 mentioned by the Executive Director,  
5 Jon Darche, to file a complaint with  
6 the CCRB. One of the easiest ways is  
7 by going to our website,  
8 nyc.gov/ccrbcomplaint, or calling our  
9 hotline 1-800-341-2272 or  
10 1-800-341-CCRB.

11 Remember, if you see footage of  
12 misconduct on social media or in the  
13 news, you can file a complaint, even  
14 if you are not there in person. Feel  
15 free to tag the CCRB @CCRB\_NYC.

16 Additional ways to file  
17 complaints about police misconduct  
18 include calling 311, visiting our  
19 office at 100 Church Street on the  
20 10th Floor in Lower Manhattan. You  
21 can also go to our social media  
22 platforms at Facebook, Twitter, or  
23 Instagram and direct message the CCRB.  
24 You can also send a letter to the CCRB  
25 to the same address, 100 Church

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2 Street, on the 10th Floor, New York,  
3 New York zip code 10007. You can file  
4 a complaint at a local police  
5 precinct, it does not have to be the  
6 precinct -- it doesn't have to be in  
7 the confines of the precinct where the  
8 incident may have taken place.

9 Officers are required to accept CCRB  
10 complaints at any precinct, or they  
11 could provide you with a complaint  
12 form and a postage-free envelope.

13 CCRB is hiring. CCRB has  
14 various positions in our office for  
15 Level 1 investigators, outreach, APU,  
16 and our bias -- Racial Profiling and  
17 Bias Based Policing Unit. For more  
18 information regarding how to apply for  
19 these positions, feel free to send an  
20 e-mail to [careers@ccrb.nyc.gov](mailto:careers@ccrb.nyc.gov). You  
21 can also look up open positions on  
22 [nyc.gov/jobs](http://nyc.gov/jobs) and just search for CCRB.  
23 A link will be placed in the chat with  
24 a direct link to CCRB open positions.

25 If you would like a CCRB

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2 outreach presentation for your  
3 friends, family, neighbors, anyone in  
4 your community, feel free to reach out  
5 to the Outreach Unit at  
6 outreach@ccrb.nyc.gov.

7 You can also follow the CCRB on  
8 social media on Facebook, Instagram,  
9 Twitter, typical -- typical hashtag is  
10 @CCRB\_NYC.

11 Thank you very much, Chair Rice.

12 CHAIR RICE: Thank you.

13 Does the Board have any  
14 question of Jahi? Any questions?

15 (No response.)

16 Alright. Seeing none, we will  
17 now enter the public comment portion  
18 of the meeting.

19 If you are interested in making  
20 a public comment, please line up  
21 behind the podium, if you are joining  
22 us in person; or use the  
23 raise-your-hand feature if you are  
24 joining us virtually. And we will go  
25 in order.

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As you heard from our executive director, we will please keep your comments to four minutes.

Yojaira, would you please call on the first person.

MS. ALVAREZ: Thank you, Chair.

While we wait for the public to walk into the room to make any public comments, we want to thank the Fort Lauderdale Police Review Board and the Seattle Community Police Commissioner for attending today's meeting, as well as representatives from Senator Jabari Brisport's office and the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice.

For those of you in the room that would like to speak, please sign up -- please line up behind the podium, as the Chair mentioned, and the Chair -- and introduce yourselves before speaking.

As a reminder, you have four minutes to make a comment.

MR. HABIB: Good morning.

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CHAIR RICE: Ready?

MR. HABIB: Yes.

CHAIR RICE: Thank you. Please begin.

MR. HABIB: So I have a little written thing to say. I'm sorry, my English is not so good. I'm trying to, you know, speak.

My name is Muhammad Habib. I am the president of Chittagong Association of North America, Inc. in Brooklyn under the 66th Precinct.

So, the Brooklyn 66th Precinct seems like it has been controlled and running for a long period of time, one Mr. Sakawat -- Kazi Sakawat. He instigated numerous civil and criminal actions by using NYPD PO for his advantage. Here are some incidents occurred, made by Kazi using 66th Precinct -- Police Precinct.

Number 1, Mr. Kazi claims his position as the treasurer of the 66th Precinct Community Council and that he

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2 can do whatever he wants to, such as  
3 arresting and releasing people.

4 Mr. Kazi claims his position as  
5 a president of the Bangladesh American  
6 Friendship Society of New York, which  
7 is not registered organization and no  
8 Federal tax ID, and holding the annual  
9 street fair by using the name 66th  
10 Precinct without permit from the SAPO,  
11 the Street Activity Permit Office NYC,  
12 and collecting donations from all  
13 walks of life and share profit to the  
14 66th Precinct, he claim. Not only  
15 does he share the profit, but he also  
16 gives the civilian crest to the NYPD  
17 police officers for their excellent  
18 performance.

19 There is another upcoming street  
20 fair schedule, for June 12, 2022  
21 (unintelligible) adult. There was  
22 meeting scheduled on March 27, 2021  
23 for celebration of Independence Day of  
24 Bangladesh by the executive committee  
25 of the Chittagong Association. On

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that day, Kazi called police to cancel the meeting without emergency, by using police power for his benefit and more than 20 to 30 police officers were present without any incidents, fighting, or any kind of criminal actions or possible criminal actions whatsoever. Please see that -- okay.

Kazi made a false arrest and report abuse of authority and process and misconduct at the harassment by the police officer. Fortunately, the criminal case was dismissed, Docket number 2017KN046358. But we had to pay a high attorney fees to get rid of this case.

Please see the attached below, Kazi pursues the 66 precinct -- police precinct made this false case by using his influence.

Mr. Kazi uses the NYPD police officers for his advantage by being overly nice to them. One case in which he took them out of -- out to

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2 dinner for the purpose of getting a  
3 permit for the annual street fair.  
4 Whenever the association wants  
5 to hold -- Chittagong Association of  
6 North America, Inc. a non-profit  
7 organization. This kind of adverse  
8 behavior continuously occurred for a  
9 long time. Not only he -- not only  
10 did he make Mr. Akbar Ali,  
11 ex-president of Chittagong  
12 Association, spend \$1,700 in order to  
13 appeal to the officers at the  
14 restaurant just before street fair of  
15 2015, but he had also tried to appeal  
16 several times to the NYPD police  
17 officer. He was the president of the  
18 Association 2013/2014. In the same  
19 way, back to the 2013/2014, he had a  
20 guarantee connection to Detective  
21 Michael, who was suspended from the  
22 NYPD due to the similar kind of  
23 corruption. He always keeps saying to  
24 innocent people to our community --  
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MR. DARCHE: I think you have to -- your time expired, but what I'm going to ask you to do is, I don't know that this matter is precisely in our jurisdiction, but if you wait, we're going to have somebody speak to you. We'll take all your information and we will forward it to the right people.

Thank you, sir.

CHAIR RICE: And before we have the next speaker, I want to have -- another member of our Board has joined us.

Reverend Carolina.

MR. CAROLINA: Demetrius S. Carolina, Mayoral appointee, Staten Island.

CHAIR RICE: Yojaira, who is next?

MS. ALVAREZ: We have the person -- hi, how are you?

MR. HARBOR: My name is Terrell Harbor, community activist. I been out here since the uprising. You know

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what I mean? I got my own marches and everything, and that's what my marches are based off of, going after crooked cops.

When I go after these cops, they bring a whole bunch of other cops out there. We get to running their badges. All them got rap sheets like this. All them get substantiated by y'all.

I started my marches marching for people that were killed by cops. Andre Hill got killed before Christmas by his sister's house by a cop coming out -- coming out his sister's garage because somebody called the cops 1 o'clock in the morning. So I'm marching for him in Brooklyn. We're marching for him for Brooklyn.

And this cop name Ardin Fasaiv (phonetic), standing on the side of the street, wanting to show off and flex for us. You know what a flex is? It's showing off. He pulled his gun

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2 out on us to show off. We asked him  
3 where his mask at. He pulled his gun  
4 out. It was all over the news. It's  
5 been in the news about five, six times  
6 all year. I base my marches off of  
7 him. Big marches, one hundred --  
8 hundred-fifty people, we marching out  
9 to the station. We went to his house.  
10 He moved. We're trying to find some  
11 way to hold him accountable. It  
12 showed he is unstable. I'd like to  
13 see if somebody bucked him down to a  
14 desk job or something like that. He's  
15 showing he's gonna shoot somebody.  
16 Him pulling a gun out on us for asking  
17 him to put a mask on that y'all are  
18 mandated to wear.

19 And then after we stopped  
20 marching on him, they put his ass back  
21 on the streets. They hid him. That  
22 was in Brooklyn. They moved him to  
23 Manhattan. We go over there and start  
24 messing with him in Manhattan, they  
25 didn't like that, the money over

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2 there. They had to close down the  
3 restaurants because we was coming over  
4 there. We wasn't rowdy or nothing,  
5 just coming to the police station.  
6 And police station, they -- to stop us  
7 from getting to the police station,  
8 they put all the cops there. There's  
9 a 6th Precinct. There's a 10th  
10 Precinct.

11 And through these marches, we  
12 get violated by other cops. White  
13 shirts. My first time getting locked  
14 up out here Joseph Cuervo, he said I  
15 had a knife on me. I didn't have a  
16 knife. We got videos and everything.  
17 The other person had the knife. He  
18 didn't want to see. They just wanted  
19 to stop me and wanted to lock me up.  
20 So that's when I started my marches  
21 based off of him. I ran his rap  
22 sheet, ran his badge. Seen he  
23 had dirty -- but he's a white shirt  
24 now. When he locked me up, he wasn't  
25 a white shirt. So he got his shirt.

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I don't know if it was because of my arrest or somewhere in between it.

But before he locked me up, him and twelve other officers at the 6th Precinct beat a guy named Michael Watson, fractured his eye. Beat him up because they found a sex toy on him. Washington Square Park, it's a lot of -- there's a lot of gay people over there, right. You know, that's like a gay community, 6th Precinct, they got a badge, they got little coin -- I study these cats. They got a coin that -- you know, a little gay badge that's on them that's supposed to be for the unity, but they beat this man up because he had a dildo on him. He went to the hospital. They brought him back to the station. They wanted to run his fingerprints. He got smart with them. They beat him up again. He had to go to the hospital. Either way, he went to the hospital three times before he got processed

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and let go. He won a lawsuit against them. Won a lawsuit against them. That's a felony, bro. That's a hate crime. That's a felony. Guess what, he's a white shirt. That's happened years ago. He is white shirt now.

We look it up, who do we go to? What can we do? CCRB. CCRB, what y'all doing? Substantiated. What y'all do, though? Ardin, he's substantiated. They knew he was wrong. It was on the news. We chased him from town to town. Boom, boom, boom, boom, boom, boom. Now, it's a year later. Everybody's getting they lawsuit money because obviously he was wrong. That whole year, we was chasing him down station to station, he was at a desk job. There was no CCRB really coming up to the station. I'm holding them accountable because y'all can't do it. We don't have nobody to do it. It's a cop out here, a white shirt, a white

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2 shirt, that -- Thomas Connolly, Thomas  
3 Connolly, he work at Union Square,  
4 that he's over the top of our protest.  
5 Got a couple of us locked up. I  
6 looked his name up. And every time  
7 they violate us, I look they name up,  
8 but he's a white shirt. He's in  
9 charge of other people.

10 Thomas Fer -- Fernando,  
11 Fernando. His name is Sergeant  
12 Fernando, Fernando. I forgot his last  
13 name. But Sergeant Fernando, he's in  
14 the -- he's in the paper, Washington  
15 Post for telling on Thomas Connolly.  
16 Because Thomas Connolly sexual  
17 harassed him. This is a cop telling  
18 on another cop. Thomas Connolly still  
19 out here. Where is Sergeant  
20 Fernandez? Oh, he gone. They moved  
21 him somewhere. Get away from this  
22 white man.

23 You feeling me? Y'all have no  
24 power up there. I'm wondering what in  
25 the hell are y'all doing up here?

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2 What are y'all doing up here?

3 Somebody got to die for y'all to do  
4 anything. For y'all to have -- y'all  
5 have no power, bro. I'm putting the  
6 pressure on y'all to put the pressure  
7 on these motherfuckers. I hate to say  
8 it like that, but I'm tired. I'm  
9 tired, but I ain't going to stop.

10 I just marched here last week.  
11 I don't know if y'all heard me  
12 outside, but I was going crazy. I  
13 stopped traffic. Did they tell y'all?  
14 Probably didn't. I don't care.

15 You know what, every time I  
16 throw a march, it's always a hundred  
17 and something cops out there just  
18 waiting for me to show up. They  
19 didn't show up today. They probably  
20 want me to put the pressure on y'all.  
21 But ain't nothing y'all can do.

22 I came up here to tell y'all to  
23 be better. I don't want to have to  
24 put the pressure on you. I don't want  
25 to have to stand in front of this

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2 building to put pressure on y'all.  
3 Because I -- I go to them, they say  
4 it's y'all. If I go to the station,  
5 there's nothing I can do at that  
6 station. It all comes back to y'all.  
7 That's what they hired y'all for.  
8 Y'all civilians. I know some of you  
9 are.

10 Look at you. Look at you. Look  
11 at you. Why you looking at me like  
12 that? You part the problem, bro.

13 That's what I'm saying, it's all  
14 the thing. This is some bullshit. I  
15 don't know, bro, if y'all really are  
16 something. Be better. Do something.  
17 Put the pressure on the commissioner  
18 to start putting these cops away.  
19 It's no reason why that cop isn't --

20 It's plenty of people that want  
21 to be cops, right. I just went to the  
22 John Jay -- the John Jay graduation,  
23 plenty young people. Try them out.  
24 Try them out. Start getting rid of  
25 some of these corrupted cops, so y'all

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won't have this bad name, right. Do something. Make people say, CCRB did that.

The reason I came here -- the reason that made me come to the CCRB, the reason I came here last week is because we just got the paperwork that y'all substantiated Ardin, bro. The dude I base my marches -- the one that pulled the gun on us for asking him to put a mask on, bro. But y'all -- I guess, we got to wait for him to kill us, right?

Shout out to y'all. Do better, bro. Do better. That's what I came her for, man. That's what I came here for. That's what I came here for. And I'm gonna continue to march on these cops, and I hope that when you see me marching on these cops -- these cops that I'm marching on, they have felonies. If I did this shit that they did -- felonies, I'm getting locked up.

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2 CHAIR RICE: Thank you, sir, for  
3 your comments. And thank you for  
4 encouraging us. You're right, we have  
5 to do better. And I appreciate your  
6 comments this afternoon.

7 Is there anyone else?

8 MR. DARCHE: AU want's to make a  
9 comment?

10 CHAIR RICE: AU, did you want to  
11 make a comment.

12 MR. HOGAN: I'll talk later.

13 CHAIR RICE: Yes, sir. Before you  
14 speak, do you want to just take a  
15 moment. We have been joined by  
16 another Board member.

17 MS. SIMMONS: My apologies for  
18 lateness. Family obligations,  
19 graduation art show today, which  
20 started very late.

21 My name is Esmeralda Simmons.  
22 I'm a public advocate appointee from  
23 Brooklyn.

24 CHAIR RICE: Hello, sir. Thank  
25 you.

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MR. WILSON: Hello there. How are you? My first name is Andrew, last name is Wilson.

So, let me start by saying I have no problems with law enforcement. I do not hate law enforcement. No problems at all. However, law enforcement likes to attack and terrorize people. Law enforcement has been attacking me for years.

I was first assaulted by law enforcement in Chicago. I filed a complaint with the CCRB Chicago. They did nothing. That was October 2015.

I was assaulted in New York September 8, September 4, 2018. I was assaulted. I was beaten up. And they caused bodily injuries. They tossed me in the hospital. They tossed me in the psych ward. I came out the psych ward to get the video of law enforcement assaulting me. The video was vanished. It was gone. Just like Laquan McDonald in Chicago. Law

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enforcement had murdered him, and they had erased the video. They did the same thing at Burger King. They did the same -- law enforcement did the same thing to me. They had erased the evidence. But it was captured on another recording device, which I had filed a complaint with the CCRB, and the CCRB refused to check out the other recording device. They refused to do that.

So I have a court case that's called Socialist Workers Party versus the Attorney General. This shows law enforcement makes people homeless and gets people fired from their jobs. Law enforcement make people homeless and get people fired from their jobs. You might know Colin Kaepernick, he's a football player protesting police brutality, fired. So that's the court case.

I have other people who has been fired by law enforcement that's also

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in the news, Steve Talley, Sean Roslie, there's many other people that's been fired after they have encounters with law enforcement.

Law enforcement likes to terrorize people and they're terrorizing me. Law enforcement has also made me homeless as well, like Steve Talley. Steve Talley was made homeless. I am homeless right now because of law enforcement that like to attack and terrorize me.

And March 5, 2022, I called law enforcement. I told them that I was being followed around, people keep sabotaging my car in different areas, again, they tossed me in the psych ward. I filed a complaint with the CCRB. And they did nothing as -- as well.

So it seems like the CCRB, you file a complaint and they keep refusing to take action. Now, last time, September 4, 2008, nothing

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2 happened. They did nothing to law  
3 enforcement, nothing about the video,  
4 nothing about me being assaulted and  
5 tossed in the hospital with bodily  
6 injuries. They refused to check out  
7 the other recording device. So it  
8 seems to me that the CCRB might be  
9 assisting law enforcement in covering  
10 up their corruption. That's the way  
11 it seems to be because, if a person  
12 files a complaint and nothing happens,  
13 seems like that's what the CCRB is  
14 doing.

15 So, since nobody assisted me, I  
16 made videos. Videos. Police ambush  
17 me cops, C-O-P-S, cops. Cops is an  
18 acronym, cops, corruption of the  
19 policing system. They like to attack  
20 and terrorize me. They like to follow  
21 me around. They do horrible things.  
22 So I'm going to make videos about  
23 them. This is a video of me talking  
24 to the owner after I was assaulted  
25 September 4th, how he refused to

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2 release the video to me, so I could  
3 bring it to the CCRB and bring it to  
4 the news that I was brutally  
5 assaulted. And law enforcement is  
6 still attacking me today.

7 So, my YouTube channel is called  
8 corrupt cops attacking me, corrupt  
9 cops attacking me, that's my YouTube  
10 channel. Please ambush me. You can  
11 look up other videos there. Police  
12 terrorism and something else. I can't  
13 remember now, but there's other videos  
14 up about how police like to attack,  
15 not only me, but other people as well.

16 I have a list of -- a flyer that  
17 shows that law enforcement makes  
18 people homeless and gets people fired  
19 from their jobs. I have a flier that  
20 shows that, people different,  
21 different states.

22 CHAIR RICE: Excuse me, sir.

23 MR. WILSON: Sure.

24 CHAIR RICE: Your comments are of  
25 grave concern. You made the

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assessment that the CCRB was a collaborator in covering up police corruption, which is exactly the opposite of our mission and our work here. So I wanted to have Jon, if you wanted to respond. And AU, I don't know if you had a comment as well.

MR. WILSON: Just let me ask this last question. How does law enforcement know that they can terrorize people, plant drugs on people, erase evidence, state after state after state? Do you think that law enforcement woke up at the same time all over America and said "oh, we can plant drugs on people." You know, so this is an organization of corruption. It's an organization. That's what these corrupt people are doing in law enforcement. And there's certain people, not only in America, but in the world, that people cannot push, law enforcement cannot push. People who are not afraid of law

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2 enforcement, people who are not afraid  
3 of jail and people who are not afraid  
4 of death. So the same people that law  
5 enforcement can never push at all,  
6 just can't push them, no matter what  
7 they do, and what they do for people  
8 like me, they toss me in the psych  
9 ward so that, according to the  
10 newspaper, you can't testify against  
11 them. Several people have been thrown  
12 in the psych ward. Adrienne Skolcarf  
13 (phonetic), Nellie Gomez (phonetic),  
14 in New York, not mentioning  
15 Christopher Dorner (phonetic) in  
16 California, when he had exposed  
17 corruption and terrorism, they  
18 murdered him because they didn't want  
19 him to testify in court. So Nellie  
20 Gomez and Adrienne Skolcarf got tossed  
21 in the psych ward because every time  
22 people expose corruption and terrorism  
23 in law enforcement, they crazy.

24 CHAIR RICE: Respond to your  
25 comment. Thank you.

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2 MR. WILSON: Sure.

3 MR. DARCHE: So, Mr. Wilson, did  
4 you say your -- the incident happened  
5 in 2018 or 2008?

6 MR. WILSON: 2015 in Chicago,  
7 law enforcement had assaulted me, I  
8 filed a complaint with the CCRB.

9 2018.

10 MR. DARCHE: '18, sir, what I'm  
11 going to ask you to do is, we have an  
12 investigator and someone from our  
13 Civilian Assistance Unit, who are  
14 outside, I'm going to ask Roger to  
15 take you to them. And they'll sit  
16 down and talk with you. I just want  
17 to find out the details and see what  
18 we can do to help.

19 MR. WILSON: Sure. Both states  
20 after --

21 MR. DARCHE: We can't do -- we  
22 have jurisdiction over New York City  
23 police.

24 MR. WILSON: I understand that.  
25 But I'm showing a pattern. This is a

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2 pattern of corrupt people in law  
3 enforcement attacking people in both  
4 states, Chicago and New York. After  
5 law enforcement had assaulted me, they  
6 refused to issue a police report in  
7 both states. This is a pattern  
8 of corrupt people in law enforcement.  
9 Again, law enforcement can't push  
10 everybody. They can push some people,  
11 but they can't push everybody. That's  
12 why two people are murdered in two  
13 different countries. Martin Luther  
14 King Junior and Jesus Christ. People  
15 who could not be pushed or easily  
16 influenced by others. People who are  
17 nonviolent and these are the people  
18 who are murdered because they are  
19 afraid, they're scared because they  
20 can't handle people who have  
21 intelligence. That's why they  
22 murdered.

23 CHAIR RICE: AU, did you want to  
24 make a comment as well?

25 (sound disruption)-- by somebody

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2 who can talk about the case in 2018.

3 MR. DARCHE: If you can connect  
4 him to Yvonne and an investigator.

5 MR. WILSON: Thank you.

6 CHAIR RICE: Thank you, Mr.  
7 Wilson.

8 MR. HEINES: Hi, y'all. My name  
9 is Justin Heines. I'm a community  
10 activist. I'm from New Jersey, but  
11 I'm here a lot.

12 I guess -- did my time start  
13 yet, or no. Okay, whenever you're  
14 ready, I guess.

15 CHAIR RICE: We're ready.

16 MR. HEINES: I was actually  
17 talking to one of your people outside  
18 and I discovered that most of you guys  
19 are civilians, right, you're just  
20 regular, quote unquote, citizens,  
21 minus the, like -- I actually do find  
22 it commendable that you guys try to do  
23 this. I was going to be a lot more  
24 aggressive until I realized most of  
25 y'all are citizens, except the three

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2 people who do law enforcement. The  
3 three people who do law enforcement,  
4 I'm coming for y'all.

5 But like, I feel like, why  
6 aren't you guys more in your  
7 community? Like, why doesn't the  
8 community know more about you? Like,  
9 I'm here because the guys who was  
10 dressed in green told me about it.

11 You know, I feel like I can -- I  
12 understand the goal is to hold cops  
13 accountable, but it's almost like, if  
14 we have to do all this, why are they  
15 here? Like why are they here in the  
16 first place? For example, in the  
17 Bronx, Mikey Rosado was shot with his  
18 hands up and his father is like -- his  
19 father shot back at two un -- like, un  
20 -- I forgot the word. They weren't  
21 wearing their uniforms and they just  
22 started shooting at them. And he's in  
23 Rikers right now. He is in Rikers  
24 right now. And I don't think ever  
25 like -- oh, we released the footage.

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2 Like, they're not trying to do  
3 anything. They just aren't trying to  
4 hold themselves accountable at all.  
5 That happened last summer, but I'm  
6 here with y'all.

7 Luis Monsonto is a 17-year old  
8 kid who got shot in the head by the  
9 NYPD, and Eric Adams called him a  
10 terrorist. There is a reason people  
11 don't trust y'all.

12 And I can -- I can respect, I  
13 guess, the attempt to hold cops  
14 accountable, but how many people in  
15 your community know these resources?  
16 How many people in your community are  
17 aware that you guys even exist? Like  
18 I feel like I'm rambling at this  
19 point. But also like, I'm -- I'm a  
20 protester. Like, I'm from Jersey. I  
21 have organized protests in Jersey.  
22 I've been out here since 2021 because  
23 I was under the impression we're  
24 trying to stop a pandemic.

25 But I'm actually outside. I'm

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having conversations. I'm organizing with communities. Are y'all doing the same? What are y'all doing to make this stop so we don't have to keep wasting our time? Like, I don't want to be here. None of us want to be here. And I'm sure y'all don't want to be here. So I can at least be respectful about the fact that you guys are taking the time out to try to do the right thing.

But I also want to pose the question, like, if we have to do all this effort to hold cops accountable, why are cops in existence? Like, what is the point?

I was having a conversation with one of your people outside and I actually discovered you guys are the reason Daniel Pantaleo got fired. That's actually really commendable, even though you -- like, he was saying that y'all also acknowledged it took five years.

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When are we going to have community programs that serve the community where it doesn't take years and years of people fighting, and all we get is lawsuits and fired cops. I know it was the only time in history it happened, but I can, at least, you know, be empathic. But we deserve more.

And talking to the black people here, like, y'all deserve more. Your families deserve more. I'm sure you're not like -- I'm not going to assume you're Uncle Toms or something like that. I'm sure you actually are invested in your communities, minus the people in law enforcement here. Like, if we're invested in our communities, shouldn't -- don't our communities deserve more?

And this can be a step, but also, how long has this been in existence, like CCRB, I probably heard of when I was in college, so it's,

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2 like, what? Almost ten years.

3 Like what tangible steps can we  
4 do that are quicker before black and  
5 brown people die. Like, Luis Monsonto  
6 was fighting for his life in a  
7 hospital for being shot in the head by  
8 two cops because they thought he was  
9 trying to run away, even though he was  
10 reversing. Mikey Rosado is dead, but  
11 I talk to his mother regularly.

12 Like, you guys are a great step,  
13 I guess, in terms -- well, I don't  
14 want to say "great," but I'll be nice.  
15 You guys are a step towards, like, hey  
16 cops do something, but it's not  
17 preventative. It doesn't stop  
18 anything. Like, it doesn't -- and I  
19 respect that, like, you're my elders,  
20 especially the black women here. I  
21 don't want to be disrespectful, but if  
22 we had systems that stopped this.

23 Like, eight years ago -- I used  
24 to live in New York. Eight years ago,  
25 Port Authority cops almost actually

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2 shot me. And my cousin -- her brother  
3 just died, so I was on the phone with  
4 her. And I was walking, you know  
5 where the buses come out -- I know my  
6 time ran out, but I'm gonna keep  
7 talking, I'm loud like that. But  
8 where the buses come out, I was  
9 walking down just because I was lazy.  
10 And cops pulled me over and they told  
11 me put my hand -- but I was on the  
12 phone with her, and they told me put  
13 my, like, phone in my pocket, right.  
14 So I was talking to the cops, got  
15 scared, because, you know, big black  
16 guy talking to cops. So my hand was  
17 in my pocket and cops was like -- they  
18 were talking to me. There was one cop  
19 in front of me and one cop behind me,  
20 right. And what happened was, that  
21 cop, like, he forgot he told me to put  
22 my phone away, so he just looked down  
23 and saw his hand -- like my hand in my  
24 pocket and he got scared. Mind you,  
25 the guy with the gun got scared. It

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didn't matter I was an 18-year old who had never been in the situation and they both reached for their guns right here. And if I died, y'all would have been a step, but it would have not been preventative.

Thanks for your time, I guess.

CHAIR RICE: Thank you for your -- for your comments. And I don't necessarily disagree with you. I think more people do need to know about the work of the CCRB and the outreach work that we --

MR. HEINES: I couldn't hear.

CHAIR RICE: You can't hear me?

MR. HEINES: I didn't want to be disrespectful and not hear what you were saying.

CHAIR RICE: Okay. Thank you.

I was saying, thank you Mr. Heines, and I don't disagree with you that more people do need to know about the work of the CCRB. And as a result of additional funding we received from

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City Council, we were able to create and expand our outreach unit. So going into communities, having conversations, letting people know about our work is part of the extended work that we're doing right now.

We obviously think that there is whole lot more that we can do.

And I wanted to see if Jon wanted to add anything to that comment?

MR. DARCHE: So, this was the first year that we had money from the City Council from the City to actually spend money on advertising. So, to be able -- because our outreach unit, while it is very -- it is -- works very hard. And it's small, it's five people for the entire City of New York, and that's a lot, to expect them to be able to reach enough people for there to be a critical mass. So we need to have that funding. And it was so useful for us to use that for

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public education purposes. And hopefully, in the budget for next year, that will be continued.

MR. HEINES: I mean, can I retort -- can I respond to that?

I think like, isn't that kind of always the thing, though, like, we have these people who want to do something, but there's never enough funding. Like, when do we start coming up with new concepts and ideas that, like, make it so we don't need this funding?

You know, for example, Rellie (phonetic), and the work he does is not like he -- not like he -- we're all poor. Ain't like we advertise for it. It's like a thing where it's like we all go out in protest connecting, building community, and things like that. And also, I can be sympathetic, I don't have family, I don't have kids or anything like that. I can take the time out to do it. But also, like, as

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2 community, if the goal is to be here  
3 for communities, when do we start  
4 looking at -- like, the things we have  
5 done for years historically aren't  
6 working. When do we start having  
7 conversations like abolishing police?  
8 When do we start having conversations  
9 about, like, being, like -- creating  
10 communities, where only the community  
11 relies on the community? Considering,  
12 like, no black person I know trusts  
13 police, so when are we gonna start  
14 talking about things that, like, can  
15 be solutions, as opposed to  
16 preventative, you know, like -- I'm  
17 sorry.

18 CHAIR RICE: You have an  
19 opportunity to respond.

20 MR. HOGAN: First, it's a  
21 blessing that you're here because now  
22 you can leave, and you can definitely  
23 tell about the CCRB. I suggest that  
24 you collaborate with other young  
25 people your age with your ideals.

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But you have to make a promise to me right now that you won't comment about me commenting on your comment, alright? Because I have to say one thing because for the sake of time.

It is very important that you understand that there is levels to this, alright. And if we were able to do exactly what you suggested immediately, we would be in a country of anarchy.

MR. HEINES: We kind of already are.

MR. HOGAN: But what we are --

MR. HEINES: Kids are dead, I mean --

MR. HOGAN: That's true.

But when you say not trusting the police, it's really a system that you have to look at that you have the police policing people. Okay. So we're making sure that the conduct of the police corrects. Then eventually

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2 we'll try to look at the system that's  
3 incorrect.

4 But you, as a young person, have  
5 to galvanize other young people to  
6 make sure that happens. You made a  
7 comment about older people, and I'm  
8 glad that you're here, you're a  
9 blessing. You have to leave here  
10 today and run and tell your community  
11 that you have to play a part. Because  
12 it's commendable that you're here, but  
13 there's so many young people that's  
14 around that's not.

15 MR. HEINES: I mean, I think so  
16 many people -- young people --

17 MR. HOGAN: You gave your  
18 word that you wouldn't comment on my  
19 comment about your comment.

20 MR. HEINES: I'm a liar.

21 MR. HOGAN: For the sake of  
22 time. Thank you.

23 MR. HEINES: Thanks.

24 CHAIR RICE: I also wanted to take  
25 an opportunity to acknowledge another

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2 Board member who has joined the  
3 conversation.

4 Willie Freeman, I believe, is on  
5 virtually.

6 MR. FREEMAN: Commissioner  
7 designee.

8 CHAIR RICE: Do you want to  
9 introduce yourself and your  
10 designation?

11 MR. FREEMAN: Can you hear me?

12 Okay. My name is Willie  
13 Freeman, police commissioner designee.

14 CHAIR RICE: Thank you, Willie.  
15 Appreciate it.

16 You can proceed.

17 SARAH: My name is Sarah. I  
18 just want to make a complaint about  
19 Officer John Zorilla.

20 Like about a year ago, I was on  
21 the subway. It was like 4:00 a.m.  
22 And I was, like, doing a transfer, and  
23 I saw him at the Broadway/Lafayette  
24 station, subway station. Him and  
25 another officer were like harassing a

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2 man who seemed like maybe he was  
3 homeless, like he was just, like  
4 sleeping on the subway. And they,  
5 like, harassing him, like pushing him  
6 to get out. So I was filming him.  
7 And even, like, the man -- it seemed  
8 like they had harassed him before  
9 because the man was like, thank you.  
10 Also, do have like a pen and all this  
11 stuff. He was having a conversation.  
12 He was, like very casual about the  
13 whole thing, which is kind of  
14 fucked -- sorry, fucked up.

15 So but after I filmed him, he  
16 said -- he was like, thank you. And  
17 then John Zorilla was like, oh, you  
18 can't take the subway now. Because I  
19 was trying to go back in because this  
20 was a transfer. I was, like, it's  
21 literally, like, 4:00 a.m., like, I  
22 just want to take the subway and go  
23 home. I also didn't do anything  
24 wrong. I filmed him just doing his  
25 job.

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2 Then I was like -- so I said  
3 that. And I may have said, like,  
4 "fuck you" once. But I -- it was also  
5 just like -- it's not safe for me to  
6 try to, like, walk home. I was in  
7 Manhattan. I live in Brooklyn. It's  
8 already 4:00 a.m. I was also with  
9 someone who was 17. So I was just  
10 trying to go home. They were like,  
11 no. They were like pushing us out of  
12 the subway physically. And they  
13 pushed us up against a wall. My,  
14 like, whole arm was, like, bruised.

15 And then they were like, "okay,  
16 we're going to write you up now," and  
17 they gave us both a ticket. And she's  
18 17, like, my friend and he was saying,  
19 like, very rude stuff to call us.  
20 Just calling us stupid and like, we  
21 don't know anything and all this  
22 stuff.

23 And so I wanted to film him  
24 naturally. And he kept taking his  
25 cuffs out and walking over to me every

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2 time I tried to film him. And, yeah,  
3 that's it.

4 And then -- but I've seen a lot  
5 of videos of him online too, wearing  
6 this -- sorry, excuse my language,  
7 this really dumbass shirt that says  
8 "future billionaire" with his gun and  
9 everything else. And he's like  
10 throwing down this woman on the  
11 subway, like, physically -- clearly  
12 physically assaulting her beyond like,  
13 so excessive. He was like, not even  
14 in uniform, he's wearing this really  
15 dumb shirt. He's like an absolute  
16 clown. And it's, like, all over the  
17 internet, it's very clear he abuses  
18 his power and, like, it's all -- you  
19 just look up his name, John Zorilla  
20 NYPD, it's like the first video that  
21 comes up. It looks like it's pro  
22 wrestling. It's so excessive. Yeah.

23 CHAIR RICE: To clarify, so you  
24 filed a complaint with the CCRB or --

25 SARAH: Not yet. I'm going to

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2 file it online tonight, so I can  
3 upload pictures to it.

4 CHAIR RICE: Okay.

5 SARAH: Because I have photos of  
6 the bruises he gave me.

7 This happened in May 2021 or  
8 June 2021.

9 MR. DARCHE: So, if you want to  
10 talk to someone today, we have  
11 investigators here who can meet with  
12 you. Or you could choose to go home  
13 and upload it from there, and that  
14 would also be a way you can file a  
15 complaint.

16 SARAH: Okay. Thank you.

17 My last 30 seconds, I just want  
18 to, just have on the record, like  
19 Ardin, he like act -- like, literally  
20 pulled his gun out on -- I think it  
21 was like 19 years old and he just  
22 asked him to put on a mask during a  
23 pandemic. Like, we didn't have  
24 vaccines yet, anything. Ridiculous,  
25 it's kind of excessive to pull a gun

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2 out on him.

3 My personal opinion, he could  
4 have just put his mask on. So that's  
5 all I want to --

6 Where is the camera? Is there a  
7 camera I can have this on?

8 Thank you.

9 CHAIR RICE: So yes, either you  
10 can stay and speak today, or if you  
11 want to upload it, but please make  
12 your complaint.

13 SARAH: Thank you.

14 CHAIR RICE: Thank you.

15 Everyone who is here in public.  
16 So Yojaira so do you have anyone  
17 online?

18 MS. ALVAREZ: Yes, Chair.

19 Virtually, Michael Meyers would like  
20 to speak.

21 Sorin, If you could upgrade Michael.

22 MR. MEYERS: Can you hear me?CHAIR

23 RICE: Yes, we can.

24 MR. MEYERS: Yes. This is

25 Michael Meyers. I'm the president of

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the New York Civil Rights Coalition.

Two short points because I understand I only have four minutes, not five minutes, and not the usual ten which we used to be given.

Number one, I think it's past time that CCRB had a public meeting with the new police commissioner and -- because we -- so that the public can actually listen to you talking to her and to her -- the police commissioner talking to you. And the police commissioner hearing the comments from the public. She needs to be in your meeting. You need to invite her formally to the meeting. She cannot be sitting behind her desk, hiding behind Eric Adams.

Secondly, with respect to the public comment, I have raised this question before. Four minutes is not good enough. I don't understand how you went from unlimited number of minutes to two minutes and then you --

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on my protest, went back up to four. Although, I understand, it could have been five minutes. I didn't realize it was a limit on five minutes. But you didn't give five minutes, you gave us four minutes, as opposed to when we had unlimited minutes.

So if there's going to be a rule, you guys have got to follow the rules. In fact, I suggest you make a rule. The CCRB needs to adopt a rule. What is the rule in terms of public speaking? Is it going to be one minute, two minutes, three minutes, four minutes, five minutes, or unlimited number of minutes based on who you like or who you dislike?

Now, I understand that chair has authority to rule people out of order. Comments that are not pertaining to your agenda should be ruled out of order. But I do not think it's in order to arbitrarily impose limits on the public comment, one minute, two

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minutes, three minutes because you don't want to hear from the public. You're there to hear from the public, that's the public session.

So I suggest you follow your legislative history and your legislative rules, and adopt a formal motion that the public comment may be limited to whatever you think is the right time, four minutes, five minutes. But I don't think it should be less than five minutes.

And, again, I suggest you have a meeting -- public meeting, not a private meeting, not a behind-the-curtain meeting with the police commissioner. She needs to hear from us, the public. She needs to hear the comments from the members of the public who have gotten disgusted with the lack of accountability, and her lack of performance as police commissioner. And her questioning the legitimacy and

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2 credibility or your own investigations  
3 of her department.

4 This is becoming a laughing  
5 stock. It's a farce. You people  
6 ought to be as upset as we are with  
7 the present Mayor Eric Adams and his  
8 police commissioner. You ought to be  
9 angry. But I don't hear anything like  
10 that. I hear nothing but civility  
11 coming from you guys. You guys and  
12 women. We've had enough civility. We  
13 have had enough silence. We need  
14 action. I'm through.

15 CHAIR RICE: Thank you, Mr. Meyers  
16 for your two points, which I heard  
17 loudly and clearly. The first around  
18 inviting the police commissioner to a  
19 public meeting with CCRB, and we will  
20 definitely take that up in our  
21 discussions.

22 Secondly, your issue about the  
23 time that we utilize for the public  
24 comment, which I believe Jon spoke to  
25 in his opening comments. But we're

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more happy to rediscuss that.

If you wanted to restate what you had said earlier, Jon.

MR. DARCHE: So, I was advised by the general counsel that we were allowed to set time limits on people speaking under the Open Meetings Law between two and five minutes.

The reason why the Agency originally imposed speaking limits is, when we moved our meetings from the mornings to the evenings, and when we were going into the community, we were oftentimes in situations where we were losing the room at a certain amount of time. Like here, at 6 o'clock, the ventilation goes down, there is no more air conditioning, and so in order to get all the people in who sometimes come to speak, especially when we're in the community, we set limits on how long people can talk. And I agree with Mr. Meyers, it is important for people to be able to contribute. We

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want to hear from the public but sometimes what happens is when you're in a situation where you only have a limited amount of time because of the venue, you want everyone to speak, you have to have some kind of limit.

So I will check with the general counsel again and see if it is required to have a vote on the time limit. I was not under the impression that that was necessary, but, Mr. Meyers, I respect you as an attorney, so we'll look into it.

MR. MEYERS: Thank you.

CHAIR RICE: We will definitely, as I mentioned, speak more about the idea of the meeting with the police commissioner.

Yojaira, is there anything else who is next on the list?

MS. ALVAREZ: Chair, that concludes our public session. We also wanted to thank Assembly Member Hyndman's office for attending the

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2 meeting, as well as the Brooklyn  
3 Borough President's office.

4 MR. DARCHE: Public comment, not  
5 public session, correct?

6 MS. ALVAREZ: Sorry. Public  
7 comment.

8 CHAIR RICE: Do we have any old  
9 business to come before the Board?  
10 Any old business?

11 (No response.)

12 Do we have any new business to  
13 come before the Board? Any new  
14 business?

15 MS. SIMMONS: (sound  
16 disruption) I'm saying it  
17 intentionally in the public session so  
18 that we don't have problems later on.  
19 But I would like for us to have a  
20 short discussion, very short, about  
21 inviting the police commissioner to  
22 one of our meetings and decide to do  
23 that, to invite, we can't somebody  
24 come, but to invite.

25 CHAIR RICE: Thank you.

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2 Any other new business? Any  
3 other new business?

4 (No response.)

5 Okay. Hearing none, I am going  
6 to move now that we break into  
7 executive session. The agenda for the  
8 executive session is, the Board will  
9 receive an update on rules litigation.  
10 And discuss the timing of the  
11 rule-making process from general  
12 counsel. And the executive director  
13 will provide an update on the protest  
14 reports.

15 Can I have a motion to close the  
16 public meeting of the month of June  
17 for the CCRB.

18 MS. BOND: So moved.

19 CHAIR RICE: Do I have a second?

20 MR. PUMA: Second.

21 CHAIR RICE: All in favor?

22 (Chorus of ayes.)

23 CHAIR RICE: So moved. Thank you  
24 very much, everyone.

25 We are adjourned.

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(Time Noted: 5:10 p.m.)

