

City of Richmond, California
 Community Police Review Commission
PUBLIC CASE SUMMARY

Case #	Date Received	Date Completed
2020-3	4/29/2020	7/1/2020

CATEGORY OF CONDUCT: (check one)

Unnecessary Force	Racial Bias

NEITHER

FINDING OF FACT: (brief summary of complaint and investigation)

This complaint alleges in relevant part that Ms. Harrington filed a claim under the State Claims Act with the City of Richmond related to the destruction of her vehicle by a suspect fleeing Richmond Police Officers in their vehicle during a high-speed chase on a residential street. The legal claim was denied by the City of Richmond. Ms. Harrington sought to appeal this denial through this appeal to the Commission. Ms. Harrington specifically clarified that she did not file and was not interested in filing a complaint against any individual RPD officer.

The dispositive issue in this investigation is whether the allegations of the appeal are within the investigative authority of the CPRC, as set out in Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 3.54. With regard to appeals by the public, the RCPC Ordinance authorizes investigation only of “appeals of complaints against Richmond Police Officers determined by Richmond Police Department.” This appeal is not of a disposition by RPD of a complaint against a Richmond Police Officer, but rather of the denial of a legal claim against the City. Therefore, the appeal is not within the authority of the CPRC to investigate.

The CPRC therefore finds that it does not have the authority to investigate the allegations of this appeal or make findings on the allegations.

RECOMMENDED FINDING: (check one)

<u>SUSTAINED</u>	<u>NOT-SUSTAINED</u>	<u>UNFOUNDED</u>	<u>EXONERATED</u>

NONE.