

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

Case #	Date Received	Date Completed
2020-4 (Proka)	4/30/2020	4/7/2021

CATEGORY OF CONDUCT: (check one)

Unnecessary Force	Racial Bias
<u>X</u>	

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

On April 30, 2020, an RPD officer conducted a traffic stop of Mr. Proka for allegedly going 77 MPH in a 50 MPH zone. The officer followed Proka for some distance directing him over the loudspeaker to pull over. Once Proka pulled over, the officer approached Proka’s vehicle’s driver side window with his hand on his gun, and his holster unfastened. The officer began talking to Proka about the traffic violation and his delay in pulling over. Proka felt intimidated by what he characterized as “aggressive” speech by the officer and his hand on his gun. However, Proka declined to describe the exact speech used by the officer. Proka believed the officer was very civil after checking his license and issuing him a citation. Proka alleged that these actions constituted unreasonable force against him.

The Commission found that the officer’s actions did not constitute “force” as defined by the RPD Policy on “use of force” or under Fourth Amendment case law governing unreasonable force. Therefore, the Commission found that the officer was “**Exonerated**” of the allegation of excessive force.

RECOMMENDED FINDINGS: (check one)

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