

City of Davis

Independent Police Auditor Report:

Concerns Raised About Officer
Performance Relating to a Noise
Complaint

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Factual Summary

This case stemmed from a call for service relating to a complaint about excessive noise. A DPD officer responded to the location, listened to the noise emanating from the residential location and contacted the residents. He explained the reason for his visit and the implications if other neighbors complained or if the noise continued until later in the day. The residents indicated that they understood and intended to take the music inside by 5:00 pm.

The officer then contacted the complainant and advised that based on his investigation, he did not find the noise emanating from the house to be excessive. The complainant expressed displeasure with the officer's conclusion.

DPD's Investigation and Analysis

DPD investigated the allegation, including an interview of the complainant, responding officer, and a review of the body worn camera footage. DPD concluded that the officer's conduct and decision not to cite the residents was reasonable and found no violation of policy. DPD noted that a first visit regarding a noise complaint ordinarily does not result in the issuance of a citation.

IPA Review

IPA reviewed the investigative report, as well as all underlying body worn camera footage and the police report. IPA agreed and identified no concerns regarding the way in which the officer responded to the call for service, the underlying investigation, and the disposition of the complaint.