

**Calgary Transit Public Safety Citizen Oversight Committee** 



### **Current Mandate**

- Review all public use of force complaints;
- Oversight of employer-initiated use of force investigations;
- Participation in Officer Safety Incident Review Team (OSRT)
- Policy information and educational development related to use-of-force.



# Composition

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# **Evolving Role**

Initially - Only review public use of force complaint Section 14 Peace Officer Act (POA).

In 2019 role expanded

- All employer-initiated use of force investigations (Section 16 POA);
- Participation in OSRT
- Policy information and educational development.



# **Annual Update and Key Accomplishments**

Calgary Transit	2020-2021	2021-2022
Files reviewed by the Citizen Oversight Committee	One (Citizen Complaint s. 14 POA) Two (employer-initiated investigation, s. 16 POA)	One (Citizen Complaint s. 14 POA)

# Committee Recommendations

- Disciplinary matrix (under development)
- Tracking race-based data (under development)
- Investigational Evidence List



## Officer Safety Review Team (OSRT)

#### Peer review of use of force incidents

Year	Total Use of Force Incidents	Incidents Reviewed
2016	508	162
2017	410	118
2018	471	146
2019	509	151
2020	448	115
2021	819	111

#### OSRT reviews all incidents involving:

- Hard-empty hand techniques (strikes/stuns)
- Intermediate weapons (OC spray or baton)
- Leg restraints
- · Incidents where peace officers are injured



# **Proposed Mandate Expansion**

All City of Calgary Peace Officers transfer to Emergency Management and Community Safety (August 1, 2022).

The Committee TOR recommendations:

(Transparency and Oversight)

- Expanding oversight to all City of Calgary Peace Officers
- Expanding the mandate:
  - All Public Code of Conduct Complaint Investigations
  - All Employer-Initiated Code of Conduct Investigations



# **Questions?**