

Carlos Holt



January 9, 2020

Inspector – GPD Internal Affairs
PO Box 11250
Gainesville, FL 32627-1250

Dear Inspector – GPD Internal Affairs:


In reference to your letter of June 24, 2019, and contact with FDLE regarding the complaint I filed with GPD on June 24, 2019:

More that the six months allowed by state law have elapsed and I have received no communication from you regarding the outcome of this matter of if your investigation is complete.

Further, your letter and a discussion with you after the complaint was filed, failed to address how this criminal matter would be investigated by GPD or external law enforcement organizations if your findings are that it was not an act internal to GPD or its component units. Does the investigation of GPD and its components include leadership and GPD's governance structure such as the City Commission and City Management who both provide direction to the Chief at GPD? The August 9, 2019, letter from FDLE's Director to Chief Jones about this matter stated that since GPD is responsible for both internal administrative investigations and external criminal matters, both should initially be performed by GPD.

Please advise,

Sincerely,


Carlos Holt – Jan. 9, 2020

Copy to:

FDLE OEI Director Scott Mc Inerney

State Attorney William P. Cervone

State Senator Keith Perry

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June 24, 2019

Mr. Carlos Holt
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Mr. Holt,

This will acknowledge receipt of the complaint(s) filed by you on June 24, 2019 concerning the actions of a member of this Department.

We have begun an investigation of the allegation contained in your complaint. You will be advised of the results upon its completion.

Although most investigations are completed within one to two months, state law does allow us up to six months to complete an investigation into any external complaint. Please keep this in mind as we proceed and thank you in advance for your patience. Please understand that we place the integrity of an investigation and our findings over conducting a quick investigation.

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August 9, 2019

Mr. Tony R. Jones
Chief
Gainesville Police Department
545 NW 8th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Jones,

On August 8, 2019, The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), Office of Executive Investigations (OEI) received correspondence forwarded by State Senator Keith Perry from former City Auditor Carlos Holt. In his correspondence, Mr. Holt alleged several criminal activities that may have taken place and expressed concerns regarding a complaint that he made with the Gainesville Police Department.

Upon review, it was determined that his complaint does not warrant an investigation by FDLE. Since your office is responsible for both criminal and administrative investigations of such complaints, Mr. Holt's original hard-copy correspondence is being forwarded to your attention for review and any action you deem appropriate.

Should you have any questions concerning this referral, please feel free to contact our office at (850) 410-8240.

Sincerely,

Scott McInerney
Director

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Attachment