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Disposition Letter

July 18, 2022

Patrol Officer Ryan Holliday #1213 C/o Bureau of Traffic 1300 Ontario Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Re: VC2021-0153

Patrol Officer Holliday #1213:

This letter is to advise you, Patrol Officer Ryan Holliday #1213, of the result of the administrative pre-disciplinary hearing you attended on June 23, 2022, to address an internal investigation wherein you were alleged to have engaged in improper procedure and/or conduct.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

In part: The Manual of Rules sets forth the conduct and behavior to be followed by officers and employees. Any violation of these rules shall be a basis for disciplinary action. Disciplinary action includes, but is not limited to, verbal and written reprimands and the preferring of Divisional charges which can result in suspension, loss of pay, demotion or termination. The rules and standards contained in this manual shall apply whether the officer or employee is on or off duty. Where a conflict exists between a Rule and a General Police Order, the Rule provision shall be adhered to.

SPECIFICATION

Specification #1: (VC2021-0153) On or about August 14, 2021, you, Patrol Officer Ryan Holliday #1213, were involved in a motor vehicle accident that was reviewed by the Traffic Safety Analysis Panel and determined to be preventable. This is your second preventable motor vehicle accident within two (2) years, in violation of Manual of Rules 4.03, 6.03 and 6.05, and Civil Service Rules 9.10 (12) and (18). (*Group I Violation*)

This specification is in violation of the rules and procedures of the Division of Police, Department of Public Safety.

RULES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Manual of Rules for the Conduct and Discipline of Employees of the Cleveland Division of Police: 4.03, 6.03 and 6.05

Civil Service Commission Rule 9.10 Tenure (12) and (18)

HEARING INFORMATION

In attendance at the administrative pre-disciplinary hearing were you, Vice President David Medina, Second Vice President Andrew Gasiewski and Attorney Keith Wolgamuth of the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, Commissioner Gordon Holmes of the Bureau of Traffic, Commander Brian Carney of the Bureau of Compliance and Deputy Chief Daniel Fay of Administrative Operations, who presided over the hearing.

During the hearing, you acknowledged receipt of the charging letter; you and your representatives waived the reading of your charge letter and were then afforded the opportunity to be heard. You entered a plea of "No Contest" to Specification #1 of the administrative charge as set forth in the charging letter. Upon carefully reviewing the evidence presented, the memorialized record, as well as the arguments of you and your representatives, the Hearing Officer recommended that you be found "Guilty" of the specification.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

I have carefully reviewed the evidence incorporated into the record by reference, the memorialized record, including statements made at your hearing and the applicable Rules, Policies and Procedures, and I accept and adopt the recommendation of the Hearing Officer. You violated Manual of Rules 4.03, 6.03 and 6.05, and Civil Service Rules 9.10 (12) and (18) when you were involved in a motor vehicle accident that was determined to be preventable by the Traffic Safety Analysis Panel. This was your second preventable motor vehicle accident within two (2) years (*Specification #1*). I find you "Guilty" of Specification #1 and I am issuing you a "Written Reprimand." This corrective action is within the First Group I violation range of the discipline matrix where mitigating factors (*accepted responsibility and no active discipline*) outweigh aggravating factors (*none*).

Additionally, you shall, within five (5) work days of receiving this Written Reprimand, read Manual of Rules 4.03, 6.03 and 6.05, and Civil Service Rules 9.10 (12) and (18), and expect to be reinstructed by a superior officer on those Rules. Upon completion of the reinstruction, you will email (as an attachment) a Form-1 indicating reinstruction, endorsed by the same superior officer, to both:

- The Case Preparation Unit (caseprep@clevelandohio.gov)
- Lieutenant Charles DePenti (cdepenti@clevelandohio.gov).

Pursuant to the Manual of Rules, you are personally responsible for maintaining a current set of General Police Orders either as a paper copy or in electronic format. Furthermore, your Commanding Officer maintains all Divisional directives, which you are obligated to also know pursuant to the Manual of Rules. Please inform your Commanding Officer, through the chain of command, if you cannot access these policies and protocols. If you have any questions, please contact your immediate supervisor for specific answers about any of the Division's policies and protocols and their application.

It is the Division's earnest desire that this letter will serve as a deterrent against future acts of this nature. Any prospective acts of same or similar conduct may lead to progressive discipline. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Cleveland and the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association, verbal disciplinary warnings and

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disciplinary written reprimands shall not be used for progressive discipline purposes after one (1) year from the date the discipline was administered, and disciplinary suspensions shall not be used for progressive discipline purposes after three (3) years from the date the discipline was administered.

Respectfully,

Dornat A. Drummond Interim Chief of Police

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Gordon Holmes, Commissioner, Bureau of Traffic
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