



## OFFICE OF POLICE OVERSIGHT

# NOTICE OF FORMAL COMPLAINT

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ICMS #: 2021-1085

November 5, 2021

**Complaint:** The complainant alleges:

“Good morning,

At [REDACTED] I found a police car parked in a handicapped spot at [REDACTED] located at [REDACTED] Austin TX. I just think that’s a behavior or action unbecoming of a Police Officer especially when there’s plenty of nearby parking.

I’m providing a photo and video in this email. I’m not sure if this is punishable or not but with police officers reputation throughout the nation lower than ever I just want to help y’all out by encouraging y’all not to park in handicapped spaces (or have the people who are contracted to work on your vehicles park them there). It’s not a good look”

The complainant also alleges:

“Good morning,

I sent a previous email but didn’t include the video/photo by accident. I honestly think it was an employee at [REDACTED] but I just think the optics look bad and want to help improve police reputation! I just think y’all should encourage the people you contract to park them in normal parking spots!”

*This notice of formal complaint is a request for Internal Affairs to initiate an investigation to determine if the employee conduct is within compliance of APD policy, Civil Service Rules, and Municipal Civil Service Rules.*

**Recommended Administrative Policies to Review (to include but not limited to):**

**804.2 GENERAL OPERATION OF DEPARTMENT VEHICLES**

(e) When a Department vehicle is unattended and out of sight of the operator:

1. The vehicle should be turned off and legally parked, when practical, and properly secured by locking the doors and ensuring the windows are rolled up; and

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2. Any firearm inside the vehicle will be locked/secured unless being readied for use.

Recommended Classification: *The OPO is permitted to make a preliminary recommendation on the classification of administrative cases.*

*The OPO recommends this complaint receive a **B** classification.*