



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Gail McCant, Austin Police Oversight Director  
**From:** Lisa Davis, Austin Police Department Chief of Police  
**Date:** May 6, 2026  
**Subject:** Response to APO Recommendation - IAD 2026-00134

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Based on this incident and other nationwide events, the Austin Police Department (APD) conducted a more holistic in-depth look at our policies and practices surrounding handling foreign nationals and other matters affecting our immigrant community. APD took the following steps:

- Met with community members and groups
- Reviewed APD policies related to immigration, including:
  - *APD General Order 319.2.2 Warrant Hit and Confirmation*
  - *APD General Order 330.4 Immigration Status Inquiries*
  - *APD General Order 318.3.4 ICE Detainer Requests*
  - *APD General Order 330.7 Interaction with Foreign Nationals*
- Reviewed training material provided to officers and supervisors

Based on the review, APD made the following changes to help provide clear guidance to officers and supervisors and strengthen transparency and community trust:

- Created and distributed an Operational Bulletin on January 15, 2026. The bulletin provided immediate clear guidance to personnel until policy could be holistically reviewed and updated.
- Updated GO 319.2.2 to provide clear guidelines to officers on how to handle subjects with ICE administrative warrants
- Created internal and external videos explaining the reason behind the changes
- Added training, addressing the adopted changes to the Mandatory Annual Refresher Training that all officers and supervisors go through.

In April of 2026, the Texas Office of the Attorney General notified APD that it was initiating an investigation to determine whether the revised GO 319.2.2 complied with applicable Texas law, specifically Senate Bill 4 (2017). Soon thereafter, the Office of the Governor sent a letter to the City contending that the revised GO 319.2.2 did not comply with certain grant conditions for grants issued by the Public Safety Office of the Officer of the Governor. APD met with members of the Governor's

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Office and updated policy again, to ensure compliance with the cited grant conditions. APD's current and former GO 319.2.2 fully complied with the law.

Regarding the specific incident detailed in IA case 2026-00134, the APD Internal Affairs (IA) Division and the involved officer's chain of command conducted a thorough review of the incident. APD concurs with the Austin Police Oversight (APO) recommendation that Officers Hoke #7304 and Yaletchko #8132 be exonerated. APD also agrees that Officers Ramirez #10355, Yesioloski #10238, and Pistone #10210 were not in compliance with *APD General Order 330.7.1 Detention and Custody Arrest Guidelines*. The specific issue here is that the officers failed to *immediately notify any foreign nationals of their right to have their consular official notified concerning a detention or arrest*.

The officers did not violate *APD General Order 330.4 Immigration Status Inquiries* or *APD General Order 330.7.2 Reporting Procedures*.

The decision to handle the incident via training versus the APO recommendation of OFCA<sup>1</sup>, was based on the multiple policy changes, APD recognizing the need for clearer guidance for all officers and supervisors, and implementing the changes listed above.

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<sup>1</sup> OFCA – Officer Final Classification Agreement: Includes discipline ranging from an Oral Reprimand up to a three (3) day suspension.