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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 18697 Bagley Rd., Cleveland, OH 44130, Cuyahoga County

Investigative Activity:	Review of Surveillance Camera Footage
Activity Date:	February 21, 2023
Activity Location:	BCI - Richfield
Authoring Agent:	SA Matthew Armstrong #146

Narrative:

On February 21, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Matthew Armstrong (Armstrong) began reviewing recovered surveillance video footage related to the October 18, 2022, officer-involved critical incident at Southwest General Medical Center.

During a tour of the scene, SA Armstrong had previously identified one surveillance camera which may have captured potentially relevant video recordings. The camera was located at the ambulance Emergency Department entrance. No cameras were located in the hallway leading to Exam Room #3. SA Armstrong requested a copy of any relevant footage recorded by the camera and also requested a copy of any other relevant footage recorded by other cameras located outside the Emergency Department.

On February 9, 2023, Chief Tristan Harker provided SA Armstrong with a thumb drive containing the requested surveillance video footage. It has been stored in the BCI SIU Case File as Reference Item A. The following video files were provided:

📥 ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)	10/24/2022 9:27 AM
📥 ED Main Entrance -2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)	10/25/2022 8:43 AM
📥 ED Main Waiting Area IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)	10/25/2022 8:51 AM
ED Police Desk-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)	10/25/2022 8:33 AM
ED Waiting Outside-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms	10/25/2022 8:56 AM

The files provided contained video footage but did not contain audio recordings. SA Armstrong reviewed each of the surveillance videos and learned none of the cameras captured the actual use-of-force incident. The video titled, *ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)*, captured Brian Bailey being removed from the ambulance and taken inside the Emergency Department.

This report contains only the details believed to be the most relevant to the actual incident. Not every detail observed in the footage was documented. The reader of this Investigative Report is encouraged to view each video in its entirety. None of the video recording contained a date and timestamp. Time references made throughout the report refer to the elapsed time on the



recording.

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ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18 15h43min00s000ms(1)

The footage was from a camera on the southeast side of the ambulance entrance, which was on the north side of the hospital. The lens of the camera appeared to face northwest and captured video footage of the ambulance entrance into the Emergency Department (*Image 1 - ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)*). There was no date and timestamp present on the video recording; however, the title of the video suggested the date and time at the start of the video was 10-18-2022, at 15:43:00. None of the footage visually captured the use-of-force incident.



Image 1 - ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)

At 00:20, a Strongsville Fire Department ambulance arrived. Three fire department personnel exited the ambulance. One white female exited the front passenger-side door of the ambulance. She was wearing pink pants, a black coat and carrying a pink purse. It appeared she was directed to the main entrance of the Emergency Department and walked out of view of the camera.

At 01:18, Bailey was wheeled into the Emergency Department on a cot (*Image 2 - ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)*). He appeared alert and was moving his head around as he was taken out of the ambulance.





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Image 2 - ED EMS Squad Entrance IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h43min00s000ms(1)

At 10:38, the EMS personnel exited the Emergency Department and returned to the ambulance; and, at 13:55, departed from the ambulance bay.



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ED Main Entrance -2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)

This recording was 9 hours, 53 minutes and 3 seconds in length. The footage was from a camera positioned inside the Emergency Department's waiting area. The lens of the camera appeared to face the main pedestrian entrance (northwest) of the Emergency Department (*Image 3 - ED Main Entrance -2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)*). There was no date and timestamp on the video recording; however, the title of the video suggested the date and time at the start of the video was 10-18-2022, at 15:40:00 hours. None of the footage visually captured the use-of-force incident.

The recording contained footage of the female who arrived with the ambulance but none of the footage appeared relevant to this investigation.



Image 3 - ED Main Entrance -2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)



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ED Main Waiting Area IP Camera-2022-10-18 15h40min00s000ms(1)

This recording was 9 hours, 53 minutes and one second in length. The footage was from a camera located inside the Emergency Department's waiting room. The lens of the camera appeared to face southwest and captured video footage of the waiting room and main entrance into the Emergency Department (*Image 4 - ED Main Waiting Area IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)*). There was no date and timestamp on the video recording; however, the title of the video suggested the date and time at the start of the video was 10-18-2022, at 15:40:00. None of the footage visually captured the use-of-force incident.

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Image 4 - ED Main Waiting Area IP Camera-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)



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ED Police Desk-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)

This recording was 9 hours, 53 minutes and one second in length. The footage was from a camera located inside the Emergency Department's waiting room. The lens of the camera appeared to face north and captured video footage of the waiting room and main entrance into the Emergency Department (*Image 5 - ED Police Desk-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)*). There was no date and timestamp on the video recording; however, the title of the video suggested the date and time at the start of the video was 10-18-2022, at 15:43:00. None of the footage visually captured the use-of-force incident.

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Image 5 - ED Police Desk-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms(1)



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ED Waiting Outside-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms

This recording was 9 hours, 53 minutes and 2 seconds in length. The footage was from a camera located outside the main entrance of the Emergency Department. The lens of the camera appeared to face south and captured video footage of the main entrance and a portion of the parking lot (*Image 6 - ED Waiting Outside-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms*). There was no date and timestamp on the video recording; however, the title of the video suggested the date and time at the start of the video was 10-18-2022, at 15:40:00. None of the footage visually captured the use-of-force incident.

The recording contained footage of the female who arrived with the ambulance but none of the footage appeared relevant to this investigation.



Image 6 - ED Waiting Outside-2022-10-18_15h40min00s000ms

The still images embedded in this report have been saved and attached to this report.

Reference Items:

Item A – Thumb drive containing surveillance video recordings

Attachments:

Images 1 - 6













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