



VICTORIA & ESQUIMALT POLICE BOARD

Service or Policy Complaint Meeting Agenda

April 21, 2026 – Immediately following the public board meeting
Boardroom & Zoom

1. AGENDA

Pg. 1 a. Adoption of the Service or Policy Complaint Agenda of April 21, 2026

2. COMPLAINT

Pg. 2 a. Complaint 24-25449

Service or Policy Complaints

Foundation Statement

The Victoria Police Department (VicPD) admitted several points of failure and contributions of its officers to the collapse of a major drug prosecution due to the involvement of an officer under investigation for misconduct by the RCMP Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU), resulting in the harm to significant resources and dedicated work of officers of VicPD. VicPD also admitted that decisions should have been made differently and changes are needed in the way VicPD does its work.

Complaints

(1) There is a failure in general direction and management or operation of VicPD, a municipal police department, as detailed in part in the decision of *R. v. Van Buskirk, 2023 BCSC 1873*, finding that VicPD obscured facts regarding records, reports and disclosures about the involvement in a criminal investigation of an officer under investigation by the ACU.

(2) VicPD's standing orders or policies and/or its internal procedures are inadequate or inappropriate to prevent failure to provide accurate facts and prevent obscuration of the existence of essential facts with respect to records, reports and disclosures in criminal investigations including information provided to the Crown and to judicial officers concerning ITOs (Informations to Obtain), TWs (Tracking Warrants) and TDRs (Transmission Data Recorder warrants).

(3) VicPD's standing orders or policies and/or its internal procedures are inadequate or inappropriate with respect to (a) decisions to allow the involvement in a criminal investigation of an officer under investigation for serious breaches and corruption and (b) the safeguards put in place to ensure that such involvement does not compromise criminal investigations.

(4) VicPD's training programs are inadequate or inappropriate with respect to the training given to officers on recording and reporting on

criminal investigations including information provided to the Crown and to judicial officers concerning ITOs, TWs and TDRs.

(5) There is a failure in the general direction and management or operation of VicPD, a municipal police department, by VicPD's non-regulation or inadequate regulation of employees' and officers' personal and business relations with officer(s) under investigation for serious breaches and corruption.

(6) VicPD's standing orders or policies and/or its internal procedures are inadequate or inappropriate with respect to VicPD's non-regulation or inadequate regulation of employees' and officers' personal and business relations with officer(s) under investigation for serious breaches and corruption.

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Respectfully submitted,

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