

Charges Filed with the Police Board

The following charges have been filed with the Police Board by the Superintendent of Police. The public is reminded that the filing of charges is not evidence of guilt. The accused officer is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair hearing at which the Superintendent has the burden of proving guilt by a preponderance of the evidence.

Note: The following charges contain profanity that some people may find offensive.

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE OFFICER JEAN LINDGREN

Police Officer Jean Lindgren, Star Number 14791, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police ("Department"), which were in full force and effect on the date of the alleged violations.

- Rule 2 Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- Rule 3 Any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals.
- Rule 5 Failure to perform any duty.
- Rule 6 Disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral.
- Rule 8 Disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.
- Rule 10 Inattention to duty.
- Rule 11 Incompetency or inefficiency in the performance of duty.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Count I: On or about May 20, 2016, in the vicinity of 6651 W. 63rd Street, Officer Lindgren used unprofessional, inappropriate, and/or derogatory language including "mutt," "shit head," "crack head," "piece of shit," "fuckin' shit," "bull shitter," "idiot," and/or words to that effect to describe civilian Thomas Palm. When civilian Richard Sadowski expressed concern over Mr. Palm possibly dying, Officer Lindgren stated, "It'll be easier paperwork" if Mr. Palm died or used words to that effect. The verbiage used by Officer Lindgren shows utter unprofessionalism, disrespect, and/or a lack of compassion for a civilian. Officer Lindgren thereby violated:
- a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
 - b. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
 - c. Rule 6, disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral (General Order 01-01, *Mission Statement and Core Values* (eff. March 1, 2011), including but not limited to Section II and/or Section III(A)(1) - (A)(6)); and/or
 - d. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty.

Count II: On or about May 20, 2016, in the vicinity of 6651 W. 63rd Street, after observing civilian Thomas Palm lying on the ground, with his eyes open and breathing heavily, and/or unresponsive to commands or words, Officer Lindgren failed to check Palm's vitals or call for medical assistance. When Officer Sonia Almazan expressed Mr. Palm's need for medical assistance, Officer Lindgren refused or failed to call an ambulance and/or argued with Officer Almazan, who wanted to call an ambulance. Officer Lindgren thereby violated:

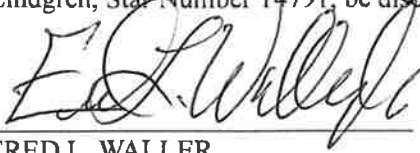
- a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- b. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
- c. Rule 5, failure to perform any duty;
- d. Rule 6, disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral (General Order G06-01-01, *Field Arrest Procedures* (eff. November 12, 2015), including but not limited to Section IX (A); and General Order 01-01, *Mission Statement and Core Values* (eff. March 1, 2011), including but not limited to Section II and/or Section III(A)(1) - (A)(6));
- e. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;
- f. Rule 10, inattention to duty; an/or
- g. Rule 11, incompetency or inefficiency in the performance of duty.

Count III: On or about May 20, 2016, in the vicinity of 6651 W. 63rd Street, Police Officer Lindgren's overall behavior and/or interactions with civilians while handling the matter relating to Mr. Palm put the Department in a bad light. Officer Lindgren thereby violated:

- a. Rule 2, any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department;
- b. Rule 3, any failure to promote the Department's efforts to implement its policy or accomplish its goals;
- c. Rule 5, failure to perform any duty;
- d. Rule 6, disobedience of an order or directive, whether written or oral (General Order G06-01-01, *Field Arrest Procedures* (eff. November 12, 2015), including but not limited to Section IX (A); and General Order 01-01, *Mission Statement and Core Values* (eff. March 1, 2011), including but not limited to Section II and/or Section III(A)(1) - (A)(6));
- e. Rule 8, disrespect to or maltreatment of any person, while on or off duty;

- f. Rule 10, inattention to duty; an/or
- g. Rule 11, incompetency or inefficiency in the performance of duty.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends Officer Lindgren, Star Number 14791, be discharged from the Chicago Police Department.



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APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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