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Internal Use of Force Review Board Completed

The Tigard Police Department has now completed its internal review of the officer-involved shooting that took place on January 6, 2021, resulting in the death of Jacob Macduff.

As shared in <u>previous news releases</u>, the Attorney General's Office convened a grand jury to hear testimony and review evidence in the case. In mid-September, the grand jury determined criminal charges were not warranted against the officer. Upon the conclusion of that criminal investigation, the Tigard Police Department began an internal review of the case, which is routine department policy for every use of force. To allow members of the Use of Force Review Board to thoroughly review the hundreds of pages of investigative materials, the Board convened on December 28, 2021. The Board was comprised of five people, including a representative from an outside police agency.

The Board reviewed several Tigard Police Department policies in evaluating this case to determine if any policy violations occurred. They found that the force used in this case, including initial less lethal rounds and the subsequent deadly use of force, were both within department policy. As is common in many force response reviews, the Board identified potential opportunities for future training. They also noted issues with aging audio equipment which has since been resolved with the upgrade and expansion of the department's body worn camera program.

"First and foremost, I want to acknowledge that any loss of life is tragic. I know the Macduff family continues to endure that painful loss," said Chief Kathy McAlpine. "Although the actions of the officers were within policy, we will bring subject matter experts together to provide additional training relating to barricaded subjects. I am thankful to the members of the Washington County Major Crimes Team, Washington County District Attorney's Office, Oregon Department of Justice, grand jury and the internal Use of Force Review Board for their thoughtful and comprehensive review of this case."

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