



Department of Police Accountability

DPA SPARKS Report 1st Quarter 22

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Highlights of DPA 1st Quarter Policy Work

I. DPA Recommended that SFPD Limit Pretext Stops to Reduce Race Disparities

A. SFPD should prioritize **Stops that impact Public Safety**, such as speeding, running red lights, drunk driving, reckless driving, and hit-and-run.

B. The Police Commission should ban pretext stops except for a narrow exception for violent felonies that imminently threaten human life.

The Police Commission Should Limit SFPD Enforcement of Infractions Commonly Used to Justify Pretext Stops

- Jaywalking
- Failure to display registration tags or driving with expired registration
- Driving with a cracked windshield unless there is no visibility
- Riding a bicycle on the sidewalk
- An object on the rearview mirror
- Failure to use a turn signal
- Having one broken taillight
- Tinted windows
- Broken license plate light
- Missing front license plate

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- B. DPA recommends that during routine traffic or pedestrian stops, officers be prohibited from the following:
- Making inquiries regarding unrelated criminal activity unless separate grounds to detain or arrest for a criminal offense arises during the stop, such as when officers see contraband in plain view.
 - Asking for consent to search a person's vehicle or person.
 - Asking whether a person is on probation or parole unless grounds to detain or arrest for a criminal offense arises during the stop.

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- II. SFPD Adopted a Crisis Intervention Team Incident Review Protocol that DPA and the Crisis Intervention Working Group Drafted to Review, on a Quarterly Basis, SFPD's Response to Individuals in Crisis.**

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III. DPA Revived Recommendations Made in 2020 that SFPD Create a Policy for the Preservation and Handling of Sexual Assault DNA Evidence

- Delineate procedures for the collecting and preserving sexual assault evidence.
- Delineate procedures for the collection, preservation, storage, training and transporting DNA evidence.



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Thank You!