

## Referral to Crown Counsel Disposition

IIO Investigation: 2024-152

On January 8, 2025, the IIO referred this matter to Crown Counsel with the BC Prosecution Service (BCPS) for consideration of charges regarding an <u>investigation into</u> the July 2024 injuries of a woman involved in a collision with a vehicle being driven by an off-duty police officer.

On February 13, 2025, Crown Counsel approved one charge of driving without due care and attention contrary to section 144(1)(a) of the *Motor Vehicle Act* and one charge of failing to yield to a pedestrian contrary to section 127(1)(a)(ii) of the *Motor Vehicle Act* against the officer involved.

On July 15, 2025, the officer pleaded guilty to the charge of driving without due care and attention. A stay of proceedings was entered by Crown Counsel related to the charge of failing to yield to a pedestrian.

The officer was ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine and a \$300 victim surcharge.

## **Incident Summary**

At around 6:45 p.m. on July 1, 2024, an off-duty member of the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit driving a black Nissan Armada was involved in a collision with a female pedestrian at the intersection of E Columbia and Braid streets in New Westminster.

The pedestrian sustained injuries in the collision and was taken to a local hospital for treatment.

The IIO was notified of the incident on July 7, 2024 when New Westminster Police Department officers became aware that the woman's injuries may meet the threshold for <u>serious harm</u>, as defined by the *Police Act*, and reported the incident to the IIO.