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# Chief shocked over comments made by police

Two officers allegedly made jokes about suicidal man



A pair of Vancouver sergeants allegedly joked with a dispatcher about a suicidal man, prior to him taking his own life, Chief Const. Jaime Graham announced yesterday.

The allegations stem from a suicide on Sept. 19, 2006, that — due to a dispatcher error — took officers more than an hour to respond to. The dispatcher in question has since been fired.

The comments between the dispatcher and two VPD sergeants, however, will be the subject of a disciplinary hearing that will take place sometime next month, Graham said.

The comments have not been released, but the chief described them as “shocking.” He said he is worried that they might reveal “a complacency, a callousness, perhaps a bad attempt at black humour that has no place in circumstances of this kind.”

In the case in question, E-Comm, the 9-1-1 operator for Southwest B.C., received a call from the Ontario aunt of a distressed 40-year-old Vancouver man before 2 p.m.

The call was erroneously given a low-

**disciplinary hearing**

- ▶ Graham said the department receives about 2,500 mental health calls a year.
- ▶ In 2006, they received 140 calls about people on bridges and threatening to jump.
- ▶ Graham said the man had made similar calls for help in the past.
- ▶ The Police Complaints Commissioner will review the outcome of the disciplinary hearing.

priority code. E-Comm guidelines mandate that such calls be given the highest priority, requiring police officers to drop lower priority calls to attend, said E-Comm president and CEO Ken Shymanski.

Graham said all cars were busy and the queue was stacked 14-calls deep.

A second call, this time from the man himself, followed an hour later, and police were finally dispatched to the scene at 3:15 p.m. — more than an hour and 15 minutes after the initial call for help.


Upon arrival, police were able to talk with the man through the front door, but couldn't get into the second-storey apartment because furniture was stacked in front of it.

When they finally did gain entry — by climbing in through the balcony — they found him on the floor in a pool of blood.

He had slashed his wrists and died before the ambulance arrived.



Vancouver Chief Const. Jaime Graham, at the Cambie Street police station yesterday, said police are investigating allegations that two VPD sergeants joked with a dispatcher about a suicidal man just before the man killed himself.



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