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OFFICIALS VIOLATED CITY POLICY

The City of New Orleans Inspector General today released a report on its investigation of allegations related to how NOPD Commander Edwin Hosli was chosen to manage an off-duty detail to review images of traffic camera violations.

The investigation concluded that Commander Hosli violated City policy by forming an LLC, Anytime Solutions, to manage the red light camera detail, and found that former Director of Public Works, Robert Mendoza violated City policy by improperly extending the contract with Affiliated Computer Services. Acting on Mendoza's instructions to find NOPD officers to perform the detail, his Operations Chief, Zepporiah Edmonds, asked NOPD Lt. Joe Valiente if he knew someone who could handle the red light camera work. Valiente recommended Hosli and on that basis Edwards selected him for the detail.

Inspector General Ed Quatrevaux said, "It was a case of doing City business the old way, and contrary to existing policies."

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