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At the conclusion of its study session on March 23, 2021, Pierce County Council Chair Derek Young directed Council staff to begin the process of finding an independent investigator to examine the events of January 27, 2021, regarding Pierce County Sheriff Ed Troyer. The Tacoma Police Department responded to the call in which Sheriff Troyer called 911.

"As we learn more about the incident and follow media reports, it has become apparent that Sheriff Troyer disagrees with the narrative in our officer's incident report," said Interim Police Chief Mike Ake. "In the search for clarity and better understanding, we agree with the Pierce County Council's approach to finding a third-party investigator to evaluate the facts."

Because it appears this matter will be independently investigated, the department will have no further comment at this time.

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