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>> GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYBODY.  
WELCOME TO THE CHAMBER, I AM  
TIMOTHY MCCARTHY, THE CHAIR OF  
THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE COMMITTEE.  
WE ARE HERE TODAY FOR DOCKET  
NUMBER 0264, COUNCILOR WU,  
CAMPBELL AND MYSELF FOR THE  
HEARING REGARDING SURVEILLANCE  
EQUIPMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.  
THIS IS RECORDED AND BROADCAST  
ON COMCAST 8, RCN 82 AND VERIZON  
64.  
AND ALSO VIEWED ONLINE.  
PLEASE SILENCE PHONES AND  
DEVICES.  
AND WILL TAKE PUBLIC HEARING.  
SIGN IN TO MY LEFT, YOUR RIGHT  
AND CHECK OFF THE BOX IF YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY.  
WE HAVE A GOOD CROWD SO THAT  
PEOPLE WHO DO TESTIFY, YOU WILL  
HAVE TWO MINUTES ON THE NOSE.  
I WILL GIVE YOU A HEAD'S UP WHEN  
YOU HAVE ABOUT 30 SECONDS LEFT.  
AND AT 2:00 WE WOULD APPRECIATE  
IF YOU WRAPPED IT UP ON 2:00 AND  
BE RESPECTFUL OF EVERYBODY'S  
TIME.  
WHEN YOU DO TESTIFY, PLEASE  
STATE YOUR NAME, YOUR  
AFFILIATION, RESIDENTS, AND  
AGAIN, LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO  
TWO MINUTES, PLEASE.  
BEFORE I INTRODUCE THE FIRST  
PANEL, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE  
MY COLLEAGUES.  
IF THEY'D LIKE TO HAVE A BRIEF  
STATEMENT, FIRST THE SPONSORS OF  
THIS HEARING, AND THEN THE  
COUNCILORS IN ORDER OF  
ATTENDANCE.  
SO FIRST IN ATTENDANCE WAS  
COUNCILOR MICHELLE WU.  
COUNCILOR WU.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON EVERYONE,  
THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

I JUST WANT TO THANK A WHOLE LOT OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN EDUCATING ME ON THE ISSUES INVOLVED HERE, BOTH IN TERMS OF THE TECHNOLOGIES AVAILABLE, THE INCREASING USE OF DATA IN ALL MANNERS OF DIFFERING CITY SERVICES AND ACHIEVING BOTH EFFICIENCY AND SAFETY FROM THAT, BUT ALSO PROTECTION OF CIVIL LIBERTIES AND PRIVACY.

SO I AM EAGER TO BE HERE TO THANK OUR PANELIST FOR JOINING US, AND ALSO TO SET THE STANDARD FOR -- OR SET THE FRAMEWORK AND CONVERSATION FOR A LONGER AND LARGER PUSH TO HAVE THE LEGISLATIVE BACKING TO WHAT I THINK IS ALREADY SORT OF OUR COMMON UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEED FOR COMMUNITY INPUT, PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRUST AT THE SCORE OF EVERYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING AT THE CITY, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH WU.  
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR MCCARTHY.  
AND THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU FOR THE PARTNERSHIP IN THIS.  
THANK YOU SUPERINTENDENT CHIEF, AS WELL AS FROM THE BRICK FOR BEING HERE AND FRANKLY CONTINUING TO STAY IN CONVERSATION ON THESE ISSUES. THEY'RE NOT BLACK AND WHITE, THEY'RE COMPLEX.  
AND I ALSO THANK THE ADVOCATES AND A LOT OF YOUNG PEOPLE WE HEARD FROM AS WELL FOR BEING HERE.

I AM JUST EXCITED TO PARTICIPATE.  
ONE, NOT ONLY TO GET TO THE GOAL OF DEVELOPING IF IT'S A STANDARD POLICY OR TEMPLATE OR SOMETHING WHERE WE GO THROUGH ALMOST A CHECKLIST WHEN THE DEPARTMENT IS THINKING OF INTRODUCING A NEW TECHNOLOGY, HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THE COMMUNITY KNOWS ABOUT IT, IS INFORMED ABOUT IT, GETS AN

OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN  
SOME WAY IN THE POLICY THAT  
GOVERNS IT.

HOW DO WE STRIKE THE BALANCE  
BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT'S NEED  
FOR TECHNOLOGY TO DO THE JOB  
EFFECTIVELY, WHILE AT THE SAME  
TIME BALANCING PEOPLE'S PRIVACY  
AND CIVIL LIBERTY CONCERNS.

I THINK THE BODY CAMERAS WERE A  
GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW WE DO THAT  
WELL.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE  
COMMUNITY, DIFFERENT  
STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING THE ACLU.  
AND WE GOT TO ADEPT POLICY WHERE  
I THINK 75% OF WHAT PEOPLE READ  
WHAT WAS IN IT.

AND A GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW WE  
SET UP PROCESSES TO DO THAT FOR  
OTHER TECHNOLOGIES AS WELL.

I KNOW WE ARE FOCUSED ON  
TECHNOLOGY BUT GOT A NUMBER OF  
EMAIMS AND THERE ARE THINGS HERE  
ABOUT TECHNOLOGIES AND THAT WILL  
COME UP TODAY.

BUT THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND  
RESIDENTS FOR BEING HERE AS  
WELL.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH COUNCILOR  
CAMPBELL.  
COUNCILOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR  
MCCARTHY.

THANK YOU COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
CAMPBELL AND COUNCILOR WU FOR  
HOLDING THE HEARING.

I AM INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE  
ABOUT THE CITY'S USE OF  
EQUIPMENT, THE DRONES, SOCIAL  
MEDIA, AND I KNOW WE ALL DESIRE  
A SAFE CITY AND I THINK WE  
SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE A  
REASONABLE POLICY ALLOWING THE  
PROTECTION OF CIVIL LIBERTIES,  
WHILE ALSO ALLOWING OUR POLICE  
FORCE TO DO ITS JOB AS WELL.

I JUST WANT TO THANK THE  
PANELISTS FOR BEING HERE, FOR  
PROVIDING SOUND LEADERSHIP FOR  
MANY YEARS ON BEHALF OF THE  
RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON,

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR FLYNN.  
COUNCILOR JANEY.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.  
AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE  
MAKERS OF THIS HEARING ORDER.  
CERTAINLY THANK YOU TO OUR PANEL  
FOR ALL THE WORK DO YOU AND ALL  
OF THE MANY ADVOCATES WHO HAVE  
BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US ON THE  
CITY COUNCIL.

I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THE NEED  
TO DO GOOD POLICEWORK AND MAKE  
SURE THAT WE ARE DOING  
EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP OUR  
COMMUNITY SAFE.

I THINK THERE IS OFTEN ATTENTION  
BETWEEN SAFETY AND FREEDOM AND  
MAKING SURE OUR RESIDENTS ARE  
FREE TO LIVE THEIR LIVES WITHOUT  
FEAR OF BEING WATCHED AND OVERLY  
POLICED.

I THINK WE HAVE A LONG, DEEP  
HISTORY IN THIS COUNTRY, AND  
EVEN IN THIS CITY, WHERE POORER  
COMMUNITIES AND COMMUNITIES OF  
COLORS EXPERIENCE POLICE IN A  
VERY DIFFERENT WAY.

AND SO I HAVE QUESTIONS, EVEN  
SOME CONCERNS I WILL PUT OUT  
THERE RIGHT UP FRONT AND I AM  
HOPING YOU CAN LET ME KNOW YOUR  
RATIONAL FOR WHAT YOUR THINKING  
IS I WORRY THAT YOUNG PEOPLE,  
THAT PEOPLE WHO CERTAINLY LIVE  
IN THE COMMUNITIES THAT I  
REPRESENT, WOULD HAVE, I THINK,  
A DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN WHEN  
IT COMES TO SURVEILLANCE IN OUR  
COMMUNITY.

SO I JUST WANT TO PUT THAT OUT  
THERE RIGHT UP FRONT.

I AM CERTAINLY OPEN TO HEARING  
WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY, AND I WANT  
TO HEAR FROM THOSE WHO WANT TO  
TESTIFY.

I DO NEED TO APOLOGIZE IF I HAVE  
TO SLIP OUT EARLY, I DO HAVE A  
COMMITMENT IN MY DISTRICT, BUT  
THIS WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME TO  
BE PRESENT AND TO HEAR AS MUCH  
OF THIS HEARING AS I POSSIBLY

CAN.

AND WHAT I DO MISS, I LOOK  
FORWARD TO SEEING THE TAPE.  
SO THANK YOU AGAIN, MR. CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH COUNCILOR  
JANEY.

AND ALSO JOINED BY COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI GEORGE AND COUNCILOR  
MATT O'MALLEY.

I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THAT  
THE COMMISSIONER HAD A PRIOR  
ENGAGEMENT OR WOULD BE HERE.  
AND MY OPENING STATEMENT IS  
SIMPLE, CHIEF.

YOU KNOW WE HAD HAD A GREAT  
RELATIONSHIP FOR MANY, MANY  
YEARS AND NOW AS THE CHAIR OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY, WE MEET -- MEET  
AND TALK REGULARLY AND I  
APPRECIATE THE RELATIONSHIP YOU  
HAVE WITH MY COMMUNITY AND  
BOSTON.

AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A REALLY  
PRODUCTIVE CONVERSATION ABOUT  
HOW WE CONTINUE TO PROTECT AND  
TO SERVE AND TO MAKE SURE THAT  
PEOPLE'S RIGHTS AREN'T INFRINGED  
UPON.

AND MAKE SURE THAT OUR CONTINUED  
EFFORTS AND COMMUNITY POLICING,  
WHICH IS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED,  
CONTINUES ON THAT ROAD.

AND I THINK A LOT OF THAT HAS TO  
DO WITH YOU, CHIEF.

I AM TURN IT OVER TO YOU, THE  
SUPERINTENDENT CHIEF.

>> AND THANK YOU, OUR GREAT

COUNSELLS OF THE CITY.  
OUR POLICING MEANS WE LISTEN TO  
FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY,  
ESPECIALLY WHEN WE IMPLEMENT NEW  
TECHNOLOGY.

AS YOU STATED, PRESIDENT  
CAMPBELL, AS THE BODY-WORN  
CAMERAS, WE'RE LOOKING FOR INPUT  
FROM THE COMMUNITY, SUGGESTIONS  
SO WE CAN TAKE IT UNDER  
ADVISEMENT MOVING FORWARD,  
WRITING A POLICY THAT WILL  
ENSURE THE RIGHTS OF EVERYBODY  
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR  
CONVENING THIS HEARING ON THIS  
SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY.

AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THIS  
HEARING IS TO LOOK AT HOW  
POLICING TECHNOLOGY CAN BE  
ADOPTED IN A TRANSPARENT AND  
OPEN WAY.

THOSE BEING THE KEY WORDS.  
AS I'M SURE YOU'RE AWARE,  
POLICING TECHNOLOGY CHANGES ON A  
DAILY BASIS.

AND WE, AS A DEPARTMENT, LOOK  
FOR WAYS TO I CORPORATE THE  
TECHNOLOGY WITH OUR PRACTICES TO  
BEST SERVE THE CITIZENS OF  
BOSTON.

AS THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS  
TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENTS IN  
POLICING, WE ARE KEENLY AWARE OF  
THE CONCERNS THAT INDIVIDUALS IN  
OUR COMMUNITIES MAY HAVE, AND  
THE COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS AROUND  
THIS TECHNOLOGY THAT MAY EXIST.  
THAT'S WHY THESE HEARINGS ARE SO  
IMPORTANT.

AND WE'RE DEFINITELY LOOKING  
FORWARD TO FUTURE MEETINGS TO  
FURTHER THIS.

THIS ISN'T GOING TO BE THE ONLY  
MEETING THAT WE HAVE, TRUST ME.  
AND THEN, WE APPRECIATE THIS  
FORUM TO DISCUSS WHAT TECHNOLOGY  
WE USE, OR THAT WE ARE USING  
NOW, AND CLEAR THE AIR.çó  
THERE'Slpñr A LOT OF MISCONCEPTIONS,  
PERCEPTIONS.

WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE AND ARE  
PERFECTLY ABLE AND WILLING TO  
DISCUSS OUR TECHNOLOGY.

OUTSIDE OF THE FORMAL MEETINGS,  
THE DEPARTMENT ALSO UTILIZES  
COMMUNITY GROUPS.

EVERYONE KNOWS ABOUT OUR  
COMMUNITY MEETINGS.

AND WE, ALSO, RELY HEAVILY ON  
THE COMMISSIONER'S SOCIAL  
JUSTICE TASK FORCE TO SUPPORT AN  
OPEN DIALOGUE REGARDING AREAS OF  
CONCERN.

AND FOR INSTANCE, PRIOR TO THE  
BODY CAMERA PILOT, AND THROUGH  
THE COUNCIL, ESPECIALLY YOU,  
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL AND AT THE

TIME COUNCILOR JACKSON AND THE  
SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE.  
WE ATTENDED IN COMMUNITY  
MEETINGS TO DISCUSSION THE  
PROGRAM AND TAKE ADVICE FROM THE  
COMMUNITY.

WE PLAN TO USE A SIMILAR METHOD  
FOR OUR DRONE POLICY IN THE  
COMING WEEKS.

AGAIN, CAN'T STRESS IT ENOUGH,  
THIS WILL NOT BE THE ONLY  
MEETING THAT WE HAVE.

AND ADDITIONALLY, THE DEPARTMENT  
REVIEWS RECOMMENDATIONS FROM  
NATIONAL CIVIL LIBERTIES GROUPS,  
AND LAW ENFORCEMENT BEST  
PRACTICES TO DETERMINE  
TECHNOLOGY POLICY.

WE ARE UNDERSTANDING THAT  
POLICING TECHNOLOGY AFFECTS  
EVERYONE INVOLVED AND MUST NOT  
UNDERMINE PRIVACY PROTECTIONS.  
THERE IS NO DEVIOUS INTENT IN  
WHAT WE DO.

WE TAKE ON NEW TECHNOLOGY TO I  
INCREASE THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND  
MAKE SURE WE ARE AT THE CUTTING  
EDGE WHEN IT COMES TO PROTECTING  
THIS CITY.

HERE WITH ME TODAY IS THE BUREAU  
OF ADMINISTRATION AND TECHNOLOGY  
SUPERINTENDENT DALEY, AND ALSO  
WE HAVE DAVID CARON ASSISTANT  
CHIEF OF ANALYSIS, AND ALSO THE  
DIRECTOR OF THE BOSTON REGIONAL  
INTELLIGENCE CENTER.

NOW I WILL TURN THIS OVER TO  
SUPERINTENDENT DALEY TO FUTURE  
DISCUSSION OUR TECHNOLOGY.

>> THANK YOU, CHIEF.

GOOD AFTERNOON.

SO I HAVE BEEN WITH THE  
DEPARTMENT FOR A LITTLE BIT, AND  
I HAVE SEEN THE TECHNOLOGY  
CHANGE OVER TIME FROM DOMAIN  
FRAME COMPUTERS AND DUMP  
TERMINALS TO PERSONAL COMPUTERS  
AND SMART PHONES, MOBILE DEVICES  
NOW.

THINGS ARE CHANGING AND THE PACE  
OF CHANGE IS INCREASING.

AND SO WE WANT TO BE VERY  
CONSCIENTIOUS DID THE

TECHNOLOGIES THAT WE ADOPT AND HOW WE USE THOSE TECHNOLOGIES. SO THE COMMISSION HAS TALKED ABOUT A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGIES.

DRONES FOR CRIME SCENE PHOTOGRAPHY AND FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS ASSISTANCE. VIDEO SYSTEMS AND ALPR TO HELP US SOLVE CRIMES.

MOBILE DEVICES TO SMARTPHONES TO CONNECT OUR WORK FORCE AND TO GET INFORMATION OUT.

AND SHOTS SPOTTER, WHICH DETECTS GUN SHOTS IN THE CITY AND RESPOND TO CRIME SCENES.

SOME OTHER PROJECTS WE ARE WORKING ON, THE MIDST OF UPGRADING RADIO STRUCTURE TO A DIGITAL PLATFORM WHERE, IN THE BEGINNING STAGES OF BODY CAMERA IN -- IMPLEMENTATION AND LOOKING AT A NEW MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

THE TECHNOLOGIES MAKE US MORE EFFICIENT AND GIVE US CAPABILITIES WE WOULD NOT OTHERWISE HAVE.

ONE THING THEY ALL HAVE IN COMMON, THEY COLLECT DATA. AND HOW WE COLLECT THAT DATA AND WHAT WE DO WITH THAT DATA, I THINK, ARE WHAT'S ADD ISSUE HERE TODAY.

SO WHEN WE LOOK AT A NEW TECHNOLOGY AND WE TRY TO DECIDE, YOU KNOW, ARE WE GOING TO ADOPT THAT TECHNOLOGY,, YOU KNOW, WE DO ALL THE THINGS YOU EXPECT. WE DO COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS, LOOK AT FUNCTIONALITY, YOU KNOW VALUE PROPOSITION.

BUT, YOU KNOW, WE ALSO LOOK AT HOW THE USE OF A PARTICULAR TECHNOLOGY WOULD BE -- WOULD IT BE CONSISTENT WITH THE VALUES OF THE DEPARTMENT?

WOULD IT FURTHER OUR MISSION OF COMMUNITY POLICING?

THAT PLAYS AS BIG, IF NOT A BIGGER ROLE IN OUR DECISION MAKING AROUND TECHNOLOGY AS, YOU KNOW, FUNCTIONS AND, YOU KNOW, EFFICIENCY INCREASES AND THINGS LIKE THAT.



I THINK WE DO A GOOD JOB STRIKING A BALANCE BETWEEN HOW WE USE DATA EFFICIENCY AND USE OF THAT DATA, BUT JUST IN CASE, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE COME HERE AND ANSWER QUESTIONS AND, YOU KNOW, WE'RE HAPPY TO DO SO, HAPPY TO DO SO TODAY AND AT ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, SUPERINTENDENT.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON COUNCILMEMBERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

I AM DAVID, THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE BOSTON'S OFFICE OF ANALYSIS AND THE REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER. AND SOME DON'T KNOW THE SCOPE OF THE BRICK BUT YET ARE QUESTIONED ON THIS TOPIC. AND I WILL GIVE YOU A BETTER FLAVOR OF HOW THE OPERATION FUNCTIONS.

TO START, THE BRICK ONE OF 79 CENTERS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES.

INFUSION CENTERS WERE DEVELOPED AFTER 9/11 IN RECOGNITION OF THE NEED OF BETTER INTELLIGENCE SHARING AND PRACTICES TO RESOLVE COMPLEX ISSUE WITH TERRORIST COMMUNITY AND PREVENT FROM TERRORIST TRACKS.

INFORMAL RELATIONSHIPS AND PRACTICES THAT WERE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, METRO BOUGHT -- BOSTON REGION AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

THE BRICK SERVES AS THE CITY'S AND REGION'S CENTRAL POINT FOR COLLECTION SYSTHESIS, ANALYSIS AND DISSEMINATION TO POLICE OFFICERS, AND PRIORITY SECURITYçó PARTNERS.

FURTHERMOREçó A SOURCE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY, US IS TAKENING A TRUSTED NETWORK WHERE INFORMATION CAN BEÑi÷( COLLECTED, MAINTAI[

AND SHARED IN A MANNER THAT%oLk PROTECTS OUR COMMUNITIES AND THE PRIVACY CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL

LIBERTIES OF OUR CITIZENS.  
THE BRICK'S MAJOR ANALYTICAL  
PRIORITIES FOCUSED ON LOCAL  
CRIME MATTERS INCLUDING VIOLENT  
CRIMES SUCH AS HOMICIDE,  
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT, GUN  
VIOLENCE, RAPE AND ROBBERY.  
VIOLENT STREET GAMES, DRUG  
TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS AND  
FIREARMS AND HUMAN TRAFFICKERS.  
PROPERTY CRIMES SUCH AS LARCENY  
AND VEHICLE CRIMES.  
AND DEALING WITH ORGANIZED  
RETAIL THEFT, STOLEN  
PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL CRIMES.  
ADDITIONALLY THE BRICK IS  
RESPONSIBLE FOR EVALUATING,  
INVESTIGATING AND ADVISING ON  
MATTERS THAT THREATEN AND/OR  
PRESENT RISKS TO PUBLIC SAFETY  
INCLUDING THREATS OF TERRORISM,  
MASS CASUALTY THREATS OF  
VIOLENCE, TARGETED THREATS OF  
VIOLENCE AND SPECIAL EVENTS AND  
LARGE-CROWD EVENTS.  
THE BRICK -- BRICK ASSISTS  
AND RESPONSIBLE FOR SITUATION  
AWARENESS ON MATTERS THAT COULD  
IMPACT POLICE OPERATIONS AND  
PUBLIC SAFETY.  
HOW DO WE DO IT?  
ALL MAJOR ORGANIZATIONS  
FORMULATE BUSINESS DECISIONS  
BASED ON THE ANALYSIS OF DATA  
AND INFORMATION RELEVANT TO  
OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.  
TRUE FOR MAJOR PRIVATE SECTOR  
FIRMS, HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND  
NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AS  
WELL.  
THE SAME TRUE FOR LARGE POLICE  
AGENCIES SUCH AS THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT.  
AND ONE OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES IS  
ANALYTIC NEEDS WITH WEEKLY  
STATISTICAL SUMMARY REPORTS AND  
AGGREGATE DATA FOR MEETINGS,  
BOTH USED FOR MANAGEMENT  
ACCOUNTABILITY, POLICE RESOURCE  
DEPLOYMENT AND PROBLEM-SOLVING  
PROBLEMS.  
BRICK PERSONNEL ANALYZE  
LAWFULLY-OBTAINED INFORMATION.  
THEY EVALUATE THREAT INFORMATION

AND INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL  
OFFENSES TO INCLUDE TERRORISM.  
THE END RESULT OF OUR ANALYTIC  
AND INVESTIGATIVE PROCESSES IS  
THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTELLIGENCE,  
WHICH BY DEFINITION, IS  
INFORMATION PURPOSEFUL COLLECTED  
AND SHARED.

AND SOME EXAMPLES, EVALUATION OF  
THE EVOLUTION OF THE TACTICS,  
TECHNIQUES AND PROCEDURES USED  
BY TERRORISTS SO LAW  
ENFORCEMENT, FIRST RESPONDERS  
AND SECURITY PERSONNEL CAN  
PREVENT AND MITIGATE THE RISK.  
AND GANG, TARGETING LOCATIONS OF  
VIOLENCE TO HAVE POLICE  
DEPLOYMENTS TO PREVENT VIOLENCE.  
AND MODUS OPERANDI, AND FOR THE  
PURPOSES OF GUIDING POLICE  
INVESTIGATION AND COMMUNITY  
AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS.

AIM ASSESSMENT OF SIDES, SCOPE  
AND CONTEXT OF SPECIAL EVENTS OR  
MASS-CROWD EVENTS TO HELP THEM  
PREPARE THE EVENT FROM OUTSIDE  
THREATS.

EVALUATIONS OF THE IMPACT OF  
OPIATES AND DRUGS AND TRAFFIC  
AND METHODOLOGIES FOR  
INVESTIGATIVE AND PUBLIC HEALTH  
STRATEGIES.

CONTRARY TO WHAT HOLLYWOOD MAY

SUGGEST, INTELLIGENCE IS NOT  
SECRET, IT IS WHAT IS GATHERED  
AND ANALYZED TO INFORM.  
AND THE CYCLE OF PRIORITIZING,  
ANALYZING, SHARING AND  
EVALUATING IS FOR THE PURPOSES  
OF DECISION MAKERS MAKING  
DECISIONS RELEVANT TO PUBLIC  
SAFETY PROBLEMS.

AND INTELLIGENCE IS OFTEN  
RESTRICTED FROM PUBLIC  
DISCLOSURE TO PROTECT VICTIMS,  
WITNESSES, INDIVIDUALS SUSPECTED  
OF OR CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL  
OFFENSES AND PROTECT THE  
SENSITIVITY OF ONGOING LAW  
ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS AND  
SECURITY PLANS.

THE PROTECTION OF SUCH  
INFORMATION IS DONE IN

ACCORDANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW, LOCAL ORDERANCES AND DEPARTMENT POLICY. AND BRICK PERSONNEL ARE ALL TRAINED ACCORDINGLY. THE BRICK ALSO SUPPORTS DATA PREPARATION AND ANALYSIS FOR DEPARTMENT RESEARCH PROJECTS, PROVIDES DATA AND FINISHED ANALYSES WITH PUBLIC AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION, AND PROVIDES DATA AND ANALYSES TO SUPPORT NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO BOSTON COMMUNITIES. AS FAR AS EXPERIENCE, TRAINING AND TECHNOLOGY GO, THE BRICK'S SWORN PERSONNEL ARE THOUGHTFULLY SELECTED AND COME FROM BACKGROUNDS RICH IN EXPERIENCE FROM VARIOUS INVESTIGATIVE ASSIGNMENTS AND DUTIES. REFLECTIVE OF THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE AND EACH SERVED FOR MANY YEARS PROVIDING COMMUNITY POLICING IN A MULTITUDE OF CITY NEIGHBORHOODS. ALL OF THE BRICK'S ANALYTIC PERSONNEL HAVE SECONDARY EDUCATION, AND MOST HAVE OBTAINED OR ACTIVELY OBTAINING MASTER'S AGREES AND OTHER PERFORMS OF POST-GRADUATE LEVEL EDUCATION. EACH TRAINED IN APPLICABLE LAWS, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES RELATIVE TO WORK RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ALL RECEIVE SPECIALIZED TRAINING IN ANALYTIC THEY HADODOLOGY ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. AND TRAINING ADHERES TO POLICIES, STANDARD AND RECOMMENDATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SERVICES. THE NATION'S NUMEROUS LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATIONS, THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE

PROTECTION OF PRIVACY, CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES IN ALMOST ALL TRAINING. AND THE PERSPECTIVES IN THE WORK CONDUCTED AT THE BRICK LEADS TO HIGH STANDARDS, ACCURACY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND TECHNOLOGY PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE. IT IS IMPORTANT THEY ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE RIGHT TOOLS TO EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY DO THEIR DUTIES AND PROVIDE INTELLIGENCE. AND THEY RELY ON TECHNOLOGIES TO SUPPORT THEIR RESPONSIBILITY. AND SELECTION AND APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY IS THE RESULT OF IDENTIFIED BEST-PRACTICES NATIONALLY, LAWS, GUIDANCE AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THE MAJORITY OF TECHNOLOGIES USED BY THE BRICK ARE FOR MANAGING, YOUR -- ANALYZING AND VISUALIZING THE DATA SETS. THE VAST MAJORITY AND DATA USE OF ANALYSIS COMING FROM INTERNAL POLICE MECHANISMS AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. AND OTHERS IS COLLECTED FROM MEDIA, INTERNET, APPLICATIONS AND COMMERCIAL DATA SETS. IN CLOSING, I WOULD LIKE TO REFLECT ON SOME SUCCESSES FOR WHICH THE BRICK IS RECOGNIZED FOR. IDENTIFIED AS LAW ENFORCEMENT ANALYSIS AND HELD IN HIGH REGARD BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNITIES ALIKE. THE BRICK THE RECIPIENT OF NATIONAL-LEVEL AWARDS, CENTER OF THE YEAR AND RECOGNITION FOR EXCEPTION YAMMAL -- EXCEPTIONAL SERVICES AND BEST PRACTICES. AND RECEIVED HONORS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATIONS. TO INCLUDE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE, NATIONAL INFLUGS CENTER, THE FINANCIAL CRIMES ENFORCEMENT NET YORK, NATIONAL ALLIANCE, U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, MASS ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S TO NAME A

FEW.

THE MEN AND WOMEN ARE DEDICATED TO THE PROFESSION AND THROWN THROUGH THE EFFORTS TO SUPPORT BOSTON PUBLIC SAFETY MEANS. SINCE THE BRICK'S INESSENTIAL, STEADY DECREASES IN CRIME ANNUALLY.

BOSTON IS A SAFER CITY TODAY BECAUSE OF THE BRICK'S ASSISTANCE IN THREAT MITIGATION, IDENTIFICATION OF OFFENDERS AND GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS WHERE CRIME IS OCCURRING, RESULTING IN MORE EFFECTIVE ALLOCATION OF POLICE WE SOURCES TO SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS CRIME AND QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DAVID, FOR THAT VERY THOROUGH INTRODUCTION, I APPRECIATE THAT. FOR THE RECORD JOINED BY MY GOOD FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE, COUNCILOR MICHAEL FLAHERTY.

THE FIRST QUESTION IS REALLY QUICK.

WE LAST SOCIAL TASK FORCE TALKED ABOUT THE USE OF DRONES AND RECONSTRUCTION OF CRIME SCENES. CAN YOU TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT FIRST OF ALL THE POLICIES OF OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS AND STATES, ABOUT THEIR DRONE TECHNOLOGY.

AND SECONDLY, WALK US THROUGH A CRIME SCENE, HOW THAT WOULD HAPPEN.

A CRIME HAPPENS AND THEN WHAT PROCEDURE WOULD BE, IF YOU DON'T MIND.

>> SURE, THAT'S NO PROBLEM. AS PERTAINS TO OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS ACROSS OUR GREAT NATION, WE LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING THEIR POLICY AND HOW THEY IMPLEMENT THEIR DRONE POLICY. WE HAVE SOME CITIES IN MASSACHUSETTS SXHSHGS -- AND SO FAR WHAT WE WITNESSED IS MISSING PERSONS, OR FOR INSTANCE FLEEING INTO THE WOODS USING INFRARED

TECHNOLOGY TO HELP LOCATE THE INDIVIDUALS.

THE QUESTION ABOUT CRIME SCENE MANAGEMENT, THE BREAK DOWN, IF THERE IS A CRIME, LET'S SAY THERE IS A DEATH, A HOMICIDE. THE POLICE RESPOND AND SET UP A CRIME SCENE WITH THE YELLOW TAPE AND SET UP A PERIMETER.

UNFORTUNATELY, IF IT IS A HOMICIDE, WE CANNOT REMOVE THE BODY IF IT IS PRONOUNCED DEAD ON SCENE AS A PART OF THE INVESTIGATORY PROCESS OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, HE HAS THE RIGHT TO MOVE THE BODY AND ONLY HE HAS A RIGHT.

THAT CAN ONLY BE DONE AFTER THE FACILITATION OF THE CRIME SCENE HAS BEEN DONE.

AFTER THE INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN DONE.

AND WE HAVE SEEN TRAGEDIES OUTSIDE OF THE COMMONWEALTH WHERE A BODY HAS BEEN LEFT ONSCENE TOO LONG AND UNFORTUNATELY THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE WHAT WAS GOING ON AND THAT LED TO TRAGEDIES.

HERE IN BOSTON WE ARE VERY TRANSPARENT.

WE LET EVERYONE KNOW ABOUT THE PROCESS OF THE CRIME SCENE AND WHAT WE'RE DOING.

ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE USE TO HELP FACILITATE THE INVESTIGATION IS AERIAL SHOTS. AND UNFORTUNATELY, NOW WE NEED AN AERIAL SHOT WE HAVE TO CLIMB ON TOP OF A BUILDING OR HAVE TO CALL IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO RAISE THE LADDER AND WE HAVE TO SEND UP OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATORS TO TAKE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY.

WE ARE HOPING TO FACILITATE CRIME SCENE MANAGEMENT.

IF SOME PERSON A LOVED ONE, WHATEVER, IS ON THAT SCENE, ONE OR TWO MINUTES IS TOO LONG, BUT WE WANT TO HELP FACILITATE THIS SO WE CAN REMOVE THE BODY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

AND AS PERTAINS TO MISSING PERSONS, ESPECIALLY MISSING WITH COMPLICATIONS, IT WOULD BE CHILDREN AND THELE THE ELDERLY. IT IS NOT LIKE TV. PEOPLE DON'T ALWAYS GET LOST IN THE CITIES. SOMETIMES THEY GET LOST IN PARKS AND OTHER SECTIONS OF OUR GREAT CITY, SUCH AS FRANKLIN PARK, GOLF COURSES AND THE PARK AREAS. AND AGAIN, WE UTILIZE DRONE TECHNOLOGY TO HELP IDENTIFY THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND BRING THEM HOME SAFELY.

>> THANKS CHIEF. SOME COLLEAGUES CAME IN LATE SO ONE QUESTION WITH A FOLLOW-UP FOR EVERYBODY IS GREAT. A COUPLE OF ROUNDS IF NEED BE, BUT PEOPLE ARE JUST RESPECTFUL OF EVERYBODY'S TIME.

>> A MULTIPART QUESTION.

>> FIRST I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER EVANS EACH THOUGH HE IS NOT HERE BECAUSE I HAD A CONVERSATION WITH HIM ABOUT SURVEILLANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY AND OVERSIGHT AND THE IDEA OF A POLICY TO HAVE A POLICY IN PLACE MANY TIMES, AND HE HAS ALWAYS BEEN INCREDIBLY SUPPORTIVE AND ALWAYS CITED THE BENEFITS AND THE FACT THAT THERE'S A BETTER RESULT AFTER DOING THAT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNCILOR CAMPBELL AND OTHERS AROUND, THE BODY CAMERAS. ONE QUESTION, WHAT POLICIES ARE IN PLACE NOW AT THE DEPARTMENT PRO ACTIVELY, NOT JUST RETROACTIVELY AHEAD OF THE PURCHASE OF ANY NEW TECHNOLOGY TO GUIDE THE DECISION MAKING? ANY STANDARDS IN PLACE AROUND COMMUNITY INPUT? DATA RETENTION? ANY KIND OF CHECKLIST THINGS SIMILAR TO WHAT CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE?



>> YEAH.  
SO I THINK IT FALLS INTO  
DIFFERENT CATEGORIES.  
IF IT'S A NEW TYPE OF  
TECHNOLOGY, BODY CAMERAS IS A  
NEW TYPE OF TECHNOLOGY, DRONES  
ARE A NEW TYPE OF TECHNOLOGY,  
BUT WE FOCUS ON WHAT THAT  
TECHNOLOGY PRODUCES.  
DOES IT PRODUCE DATA?  
AND WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH  
THAT DATA?  
HOW ARE WE GOING TO USE THAT  
DATA?  
IN MANY -- FOR VIDEO, ALPR, WE  
HAVE RETENTION POLICIES THAT  
EXIST THAT WE APPLY TO ANY NEW  
TECHNOLOGY WE BRING IN.  
FOR OTHER KINDS MUCH DATA, I  
THINK IT --

>> ALPR IS THE LICENSE PLATE  
RECOGNITION?

>> YES, IT IS.  
WE HAVE A 30-DAY RETENTION  
POLICY AND STICK TO THAT POLICY.  
WE APPLY THAT POLICY TO VIDEO,  
TO ALPR DATA, BASICALLY ANY DATA  
WE ARE COLLECTING PROACTIVELY IN  
THE FIELD NOT PURSUANT TO AN  
INVESTIGATION.  
OTHER DATA, DATA THAT COMES IN  
ON POLICE REPORTS THERE ARE LAWS  
THAT HOW WE HANDLE THAT DATA.  
HOW WE RETRAIN IT, RESTRICT THE  
USE.  
WE HAVE POLICIES, LAWS.  
APPLY THE FOURTH AMENDMENT WHEN  
THERE IS ASPECT AND WE HAVE A  
POLIY FRAMEWORK FOR HOW WE USE  
THAT.

>> IS THERE SOMETHING IN THE  
FRAMEWORK THAT WOULD PROTECT  
AGAINST OR PREVENT, OR AFTER THE  
FACT KIND OF HOLD ACCOUNTABLE IF  
THERE WAS A DEVIATION FROM THE  
USAGE OF THAT SURVEILLANCE?  
TAKE THE EXAMPLE OF DRONES AND  
DOCUMENTING CRIME SCENES.  
SOMEHOW IF WHAT IS TO PREVENT  
THE DEPARTMENT, WITHOUT ANY

FORMALIZED EXTERNAL POLICY USING  
IT ON A PROTEST OR OVER  
SOMEONE'S HOME.  
HOW DOES THE FRAME WORNG  
-- FRAMEWORK APPLY

>> WE HAVE AN AUDIT GROUP AND  
THEY ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH  
POLICY.  
PARTICULARLY THE CASE OF THE  
DRONES YOU MENTIONED IT WOULD BE  
A DEVIATION FROM POLICY THAT  
WOULD BE ADDRESSED THAT WAY.  
IF IT WAS IN EVIDENCE-GATHERING  
IT WOULD BE SUBJECT TO 4TH  
AMENDMENT ISSUES AS FAR AS THAT  
GOES.  
MOST OF THE INTERNAL POLICIES WE  
HAVE WOULD BE ENFORCED  
INTERNALLY THROUGH COMPLIANCE,  
THROUGH AUDITS.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU STRETCH COUNCILOR  
WU.  
A QUICK POINT I HAVE TO MAKE.  
WE DO HAVE TO FOLLOW THE FIRE  
CODES, SO IF YOU'RE SITTING IN  
THE STAIRS, YOU CAN'T.  
YOU NEED TO FIND A SEAT.  
IF EVERYBODY CAN SCOOCH OVER AND  
TAKE HI TO YOUR NEIGHBORS,  
EVERYBODY NEEDS TO BE SITTING.  
IF YOU ARE NOT SITTING WE HAVE  
THE CURLEY ROOM THAT IS LOCATED  
BEHIND THIS WALL WHERE WE HAVE A  
TV AND YOU CAN WATCH THE  
HEARING.  
AND YOU WON'T MISS YOUR TIME IF  
YOU GET CALLED TO TESTIFY.  
EVERYBODY GET IN A FRIENDLY SPOT  
AND THANK YOU FOR COOPERATING.  
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH COUNCILOR  
MCCARTHY.  
FOLLOWING UP A FEW POINTS, I  
THANK COMMISSIONER EVANS WHEN  
SCHEDULED HE DID HAVE THIS  
CONFERENCE.  
AND I KNOW HE'S GOING TO  
CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS.  
LIKE YOU SAID, CHIEF, THIS ONE

OF MANY CONVERSATIONS.

I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE AT LEAST GET ON THE SAME PAGE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF ESTABLISHING AN ORDERANS OF SOME SORT TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE.

I SAID THIS AT THE LAST SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE MEETING, THE BODY CAMERAS WERE A GREAT EXAMPLE OF US PUTTING TOGETHER A POLICY THAT WAS COMMUNITY-INFORMED.

PEOPLE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN.

EVEN THOUGH FOLKS THAT DIDN'T WANT THE TECHNOLOGY BUT SAID OK, IT'S COMING, HOW CAN I WEIGH IN IN SOME WAY IN A MEANINGFUL WAY AND THAT WAS HELPFUL.

OBVIOUSLY ALL OF US AREN'T GOING TO BE HERE, AT LEAST I WON'T, IN 10 YEARS OR SO.

HOW DO WE MAKE SURE WE HAVE SOMETHING ON THE BOOKS THAT IS CONSIST APARTMENT, TRANSPARENT, AND THE NEED BETWEEN THE BALANCE BETWEEN NEW TECHNOLOGIES THE DEPARTMENT USES THAT SERVES LEGITIMATE PURPOSES.

AND ALSO WITH THE PRIVACY CONCERNS OF THE PUBLIC.

AND MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF WHAT WE ARE DOING.

I THINK SOME FOLKS SHOW UP AT OFFICES ANGRY AND UPSET, BECAUSE THEY HAD NO IDEA THAT TECHNOLOGY WAS GOING TO BE ROLLED OUT.

I AM A FIRM BELIEVER OF LOOKING THIS WAY, NOT POINTING THE FINGER THAT WAY.

IF WE HAVE DONE THAT WE NEED TO AGO KNOWLEDGE IT AND ALWAYS ADMIT WE CAN DO BETTER.

I THINK I HAVE ONE QUESTION TO MAYBE SET THE CONVERSATION OR TO ADD TO THE CONVERSATION, WHICH IS WHAT TECHNOLOGIES ARE CURRENTLY BEING USED BY THE DEPARTMENT?

AND THIS MAY BE A LONG LIST.

AND IF IT IS, I THINK IF WE CAN GET THAT IN WRITING.

WHAT TECHNOLOGY.

OBVIOUS OI BODY CAMERAS ARE

COMING.  
DRONES.  
WE TALKED ABOUT LICENSE PLATE  
READERS.  
WHAT TECHNOLOGY IS CURRENTLY  
BEING USED BY THE DEPARTMENT?

>> SO THAT'S ACTUALLY A VERY  
HARD QUESTION BECAUSE BLURRING  
THE LINES, TECHNOLOGY IS  
EVERYWHERE.  
YOU KNOW, FROM WATCHES TO -- SO  
WHEN IT RISES SO THE LEVEL OF,  
YOU KNOW, THAT WE'RE USING IT TO  
COLLECT DATA, I THINK, YOU KNOW,  
THAT'S AN EASIER LIST.

>> LET'S START WITH THAT LIST.

>> OK.  
IT ACTUALLY BEGINS WITH THE 911  
SYSTEM WHEN SOMEONE CALLS 911.  
THAT CREATES AN ENTRY IN A DATA  
BASE THAT ALLOWS US TO RESPOND.  
WE HAVE A COMPUTER-AIDED  
DISPATCH SYSTEM THAT WORKS WITH  
THE 911 SYSTEM.  
IT PASSES THE DATA TO THAT.  
AND THAT, YOU KNOW, TRACKS THE  
LOCATION OF THE POLICE CARS OR  
AMBULANCE OR FIRE TRUCK AS IT  
RESPONDS.  
AND IT KEEPS TRACK OF THE  
RESPONSE TIMES AND THINGS LIKE  
THAT.  
ONLY -- ON THE POLICE SIDE IF  
THERE IS AN INCIDENT TO BE  
RECORDED, THEN ANOTHER RECORD IS  
CREATED IN THE RECORDS  
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, THE POLICE  
RECORDS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.  
THE POLICE RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM HAS MULTIPLE MODULES.  
IT HAS ONE FOR INCIDENT REPORTS.  
IT HELPS US TO MANAGE CASE

INVESTIGATIONS.  
WE HAVE AN FIO MODULE, AN  
EVIDENCE-TRACKING MODULE.  
A BIG SYSTEM THAT HANDLES A LOT  
OF BUSINESS FOR THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT.  
THERE ARE OTHER SYSTEMS IN THE  
CRIME LAB THEY HAVE TECHNOLOGY

SYSTEMS.

THE BRICK HAS SOME SYSTEMS THAT THEY MANAGE DATA WITH.

THERE ARE A LOT OF, YOU KNOW, DESKTOP-BASED SYSTEMS WHERE PEOPLE DO ANALYSIS WITHIN SPECIFIC UNITS.

BUT THE DATA FOR THAT MOSTLY COMES FROM THE SYSTEMS THAT WE HAVE ALREADY MENTIONED.

>> ARE WE CURRENTLY USING DRONES OR THE LICENSE PLATE READERS? BODY CAMERAS OBVIOUSLY.

>> YES, DRONES WE HAVEN'T REALLY ROLLED OUT YET.

AND THEY WON'T BE COLLECTING DATA IN THE SAME SENSE.

WE WILL BE USING THOSE FOR STILL PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO AT A CRIME SCENE.

BUT WE WON'T HAVE A DRONE UP JUST PATROLLING AND COLLECTING DATA THAT'S NOT ASSOCIATED WITH AN EXISTING EVENT.

ALPR DOES FALL INTO THE CATEGORY WHERE IT SITS AND RECORDS DATA. AND THAT DATA AS MENTIONED IT RETAINED FOR 30 DAYS.

IF AN INVESTIGATION IS UNDERWAY AND THERE IS DATA IN THE SYSTEM RELEVANT TO THAT INVESTIGATION, AND THE DATA RETRIEVED FROM THE SYSTEM WITHIN 30 DAYS, IT GOES INTO A DIFFERENT BUCKET IN THE INVESTIGATIVE SYSTEM.

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BUT IF IT DOESN'T HAPPEN, THE DATA GOES AWAY AFTER 30 DAYS.

>> I ADD IN THE INTERESTS OF TIME I THINK OBVIOUSLY AS THE CONVERSATIONS CONTINUE, WE THINK ABOUT WHAT AN ORDINANCE, WHAT TECHNOLOGY AND ORDINANCE SHOULD APPLY TO.

WHAT IS THE CRITERIA, RIGHT. WHAT ARE THE FACTORS WE LOOK AT TO DETERMINE WHICH TECHNOLOGIES SHOULD WE BE TALKING ABOUT? WHICH TECHNOLOGIES SHOULD BE COVERED BY AN ORDINANCE.

>> AND WE ALSO  
HAVE -- TECHNOLOGY IS ANOTHER  
ONE.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

>> AND JUST LIKE WITH THE  
BODY-WORN CAMERAS WE WANT THE  
INPUT BEFORE WE WRITE POLICY.  
WE WANT TO KNOW EVERYBODY'S  
OPINION ABOUT WHAT IS TOO  
INTRUSIVE OR NOT AND I THINK  
THAT'S THE WAY IT GOES.  
AND THE CITY COUNCIL IS A GREAT  
CHECKS AND BALANCES SYSTEM TO  
MAKE SURE WE ARE ON TRACK.  
AND AGAIN, WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
HAVING MEETINGS TO GET FOLK'S  
INPUT.

>> AND ESTABLISHING SOME  
STANDARDS, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR.

>> I THANK YOU FOR COMING HERE  
TODAY.  
I THINK IT IS PART OF A VERY  
IMPORTANT CONVERSATION.  
I JUST WANT TO GO OUT AND SAY I  
FIRMLY BELIEVE IT'S THE RIGHT,  
IF NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR  
OUR -- RESPONSIBILITY OF  
GOVERNMENT TO MAKE SURE THOSE  
WHO ARE WATCHED GET TO ALSO  
WATCH HOW THEY ARE BEING  
WATCHED.  
SO I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR THAT  
I'M HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO TALK  
TO YOU ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO  
CREATE THAT SYSTEM OF CHECKS AND  
BALANCES YOU JUST TALKED ABOUT.  
AND I AM EXCITED ABOUT YOUR  
PARTNERSHIP AND MAKING SURE WE  
DESIGN ONE TO MAKE SURE WE ARE  
WATCHING HOW WE ARE BEING  
WATCHED.  
AND THE WORD WERE TRANSPARENTLY  
AND OPENNESS, AND I WOULD ALSO  
ADD TO THAT CONSENT FROM THOSE  
BEING WATCHED.  
WHEN IT COMES TO -- I WILL TAKE  
TWO QUICK QUESTIONS.  
ONE IS TO THE BOSTON POLICE

DEPARTMENT, THAT IS DO YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO ACTUALLY COMING TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR DISTRICT APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL SURVEY EQUIPMENT AND POLICY, TO COME TO US BEFORE YOU PURCHASE, BORROW OR USE ANYTHING GOING FORWARD PASS A GENERAL POLICY? AND WHEN IT COMES TO BRICK, AND THE REPRESENTATIVE, DO YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO GIVING US ANNUAL REPORTS HOW WE ARE WATCHED?

ALL THE PHONE CALLS, SOCIAL MEDIA, ALL OF THE EMAILS YOU OBSERVED, JUST NUMBERS. JUST TELLING US ANNUALLY AT THIS MOMENT BY ANNUAL REPORT HOW MUCH YOU HAVE BEEN WATCHING, AT LEAST THOSE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON? TWO DIRECT QUESTIONS.

>> FOR THE FIRST, I THINK ANY OF OUR PURCHASES HAVE TO COME THROUGH CITY HALL.

>> IT COMES AS A BUDGET, RIGHT. BUT AS YOU SPECIFICALLY ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT --

>> WE ARE PERFECTLY WILLING TO HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS AND TELL USE WE THINK THAT TECHNOLOGY IS NECESSARY, ESPECIALLY AS IT COMES TO DOMESTIC PREPAREDNESS. OUR CITY HAS BEEN ATTACKED TWICE AND WE ALWAYS WANT TO BE AHEAD OF THE GAME. ANYTHING THAT ENSURES THE SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS WE ARE WILLING TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION.

>> TO COME TO US AND SEEK OUR APPROVAL.

>> YES.

>> WONDERFUL.

>> YEAH, SO I ECHO HIS SENTIMENT. WHATEVER DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE DEPARTMENT, IT WILL BECOME A POLICY I ABIDE BY.

>> THE QUESTION FOR YOU ABOUT  
THE ANNUAL REPORT.

>> THAT COULD BE POSSIBLE.  
I THINK IT JUST DEPENDS ON HOW  
IT IS THAT WE STRUCTURE WHATEVER  
THE POLICY IS FOR COMING UP WITH  
IT AND DEVELOPING IT.

>> I AM GLAD YOU ASKED THAT  
QUESTION, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT  
TO MAKE ANY PURCHASES WHERE  
ANYONE THINKS WE ARE TRYING TO  
SNEAK IN TECHNOLOGY, ALREADY TO  
BE TOO INCLUSIVE.  
WE ARE KEENLY AWARE OF GEORGE  
ORWELL, BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING,  
AND WE DON'T WANT TO BE THAT  
TYPE OF BROTHER.

>> THANK YOU.  
I WILL WAIT FOR THE SECOND  
ROUND.

>> BEFORE I HAND IT OVER TO  
COUNCILOR FLYNN WE HAVE RULES IN  
THE COUNCIL HEARING REGARDING  
CLAMPING, STOMPING, YELLING AND  
SIGNS.  
IF YOU CAN LOWER THE SIGNS, NO  
SNAPPING OR CLAPPING.  
IF YOU WANT TO GIVE A THUMBS UP,  
GO AHEAD BUT IT IS A BIT  
INTIMIDATING WHEN PEOPLE ARE  
CLAPPING AND SNAPPING.  
WE DO HAVE A RULE IN THE HEARING  
NOT TO DO THAT, SO I APPRECIATE  
YOUR EFFORTS.  
COUNCILOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU.  
CHIEF, I HAD ONE QUESTION.  
IS THERE ANY EXAMPLE THAT YOU  
COULD GIVE US IN YOUR CAREER  
MAYBE OVER THE LAST SEVERAL  
YEARS WHERE SHOTS SPOT OR DRONES  
OR LICENSE PLATE READERS HAVE  
HELPED YOU OR HELPED THE BOSTON  
POLICE SOLVE A CRIME AND BENEFIT  
THE COMMUNITY?  
JUST GIVE US AN EXAMPLE OF THE  
EFFECTIVENESS OF SOME OF YOUR  
TOOLS.



>> SURE, BEGINNING WITH SHOTS  
FIRED TECHNOLOGY.  
BEFORE THAT TECHNOLOGY WAS  
AVAILABLE, WE PLACED SENSORS  
THROUGHOUT THE CITY TO HELP US  
IDENTIFY WHERE FIRES WERE BEING  
DISCHARGED.  
WE WERE KIND OF OUR OWN SHOTS  
FIRED AS YOU HAVE TO GUESS.  
WE GET A CALL TO 911 SAYING  
SHOTS FIRED IN THIS AREA.  
WITH THE TECHNOLOGY IT IS ABLE  
TO LOCATE WHERE IT WAS SHOT  
WITHIN 25 FEET.  
THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT WITH  
DEPLOYMENT.  
BEFORE WE DEPLOY SEVERAL CARS TO  
THE AREA TO TRY TO FIND OUT  
WHERE THE SHOTS WERE BEING  
DISCHARGED FROM, AND LOCATE THE  
AVENUE.  
AND THE SPOTS FIRED TECHNOLOGY  
ALLOWS YOU TO RESPOND TO THAT  
IMMEDIATE AREA.  
NOT SEND IN FOUR OR FIVE CARS  
FOR THAT AREA, BUT TO SET UP A  
PERIMETER AND HOPEFULLY CATCH  
SOMEONE FLEEING FROM THE AREA.  
THAT TECHNOLOGY IS VERY  
IMPORTANT.  
AND ALSO, WHEN WE DO MAKE AN  
ARREST, WE KIND OF HAVE IT  
DOCUMENTED AND HAVE TECHNICIAN  
FROM SHOTS FIRED.  
AND THEY ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP  
TESTIFY TO BRING THE CASE  
THROUGH TO FRUITION.  
THE SAME THINGS FOR THE LICENSE  
PLATE RECOGNITION.  
IF A CRIME IS IN AN AREA, IT  
DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SHOTS, IT  
COULD HAVE BEEN SOMEBODY THAT  
UNFORTUNATELY STRUCK AN  
INDIVIDUAL, A MOTOR VEHICLE  
HOMICIDE.  
AND THOSE CAMERAS WOULD BE SET  
UP IN CERTAIN AREAS SO IF  
SOMEBODY HAD A REGULAR  
ADMINISTRATION PLATE WE ARE ABLE  
TO HOPEFULLY THAT WOULD BE  
COMPANY TOURED ON CAMERA.  
DRONES WE HAVE NOT IMPLEMENTED  
IT YET AND NEED MEETINGS TO GET

THE OPINION OF EVERYONE HERE.  
AND FIRST TO EDUCATE PEOPLE  
ABOUT HOW WE WANT TO IMPLEMENT  
THEN.

I HAVE ALREADY SPOKEN TO SEVERAL  
FOLKS, I DON'T SAY HERE, BUT  
TALKING TO FOLKS IN THE  
COMMUNITY AND ALREADY HEARD  
THINGS LIKE WOW, WE NEVER SAID  
WE USED DRONES THAT WAY.

I TALKED TO PEOPLE THAT  
LITERALLY THINK WE WILL HAVE  
DRONES FOLLOWING THEM AROUND.  
IF YOU GET OUTSIDE OF A FUNCTION  
AMOUNT A HIGH SCHOOL WE ARE  
GOING TO HAVE DRONES FOLLOWING  
YOU AROUND.

THAT IS NOT OUR INTEND AT ALL.  
I LOOK FORWARD TO THE MEETING SO  
WE CAN EDUCATE THE CITY OF  
BOSTON ABOUT HOW WE WANT TO  
IMPLEMENT THE DRONES.

AND OF COURSE, FACILITATE THE  
CHECKS AND BALANCES SYSTEM SO WE  
ARE NOT TOO INTRUSIVE AND HAVE  
INPUT BEFORE POLICY IS  
IMPLEMENTED.

>> THANK YOU, CHIEF.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR FLYNN.  
COUNCILOR JANEY.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.  
CERTAINLY WANT TO AGAIN SAY  
THANK YOU.  
THE LAST TIME THE COMMISSIONER  
WAS HERE I WAS ABLE TO THANK HIM  
PERSONALLY FOR THE WORK HE HAS  
DONE AND I CERTAINLY WANT TO  
EXTEND THAT TO YOU, CHIEF, AND  
MEMBERS OF YOUR TEAM.

>> THANK YOU.

>> AS I MENTIONED, THIS IS  
REALLY ABOUT STRIKING THAT  
BALANCE OF HOW WE DON'T FALL  
DOWN THE SLIPPERY SLOPE OF  
INFRINGING UPON PEOPLE'S CIVIL  
LIBERTIES AND THEIR RIGHTS,  
RIGHT.

AND HOW WE KEEP OUR COMMUNITY  
SAFE AT THE SAME TIME.  
YOU KNOW COMMUNITIES OF COLOR,  
WHETHER WE ARE TALKING ABOUT  
POOR FOLK, MUSLIMS, IMMIGRANT  
BROTHERS AND SISTERS, WE NEED TO  
MAKE SURE WE'RE ALL SAFE.  
AND I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMITMENT  
AROUND TRANSPARENCY AND BEING  
OPEN, I THINK THAT'S VERY  
IMPORTANT.

THE FACT THAT YOU WANT TO COME  
BEFORE THIS BODY ON PURCHASES I  
THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT.  
TO FOLLOW-UP ON A QUESTION I  
HEARD EARLIER, I THINK IT WAS  
THE SUPERINTENDENT MENTIONED THE  
INTERNAL REVIEW AROUND AN AUDIT.  
I AM WONDERING HOW WE  
INCORPORATE COMMUNITY CONTROL  
AND MAKE SURE BEYOND THE CITY  
COUNCIL THAT WE ARE HAVING MORE  
OF THESE CONVERSATIONS WHERE  
PEOPLE, RESIDENTS IN OUR CITIES,  
A COMMUNITY CAN COME AND HAERP  
THE REPORT AND HEAR WHAT IS  
HAPPENING.

HOW DO WE INCORPORATE THAT IT'S  
NOT JUST AN INTERNAL BODY THAT  
IS LOOKING AT THE DATA AND  
LOOKING AT WHEN SURVEILLANCE IS  
USED AND HOW IT'S BEING USED.  
BUT HOW DO WE KIND OF OPEN UP  
THE PROCESS SO THERE REALLY IS  
TRANSPARENCY.

>> IN SOME CASE IF IT'S A  
VIOLATION OF INTERNAL POLICY,  
YOU KNOW, WE DO HAVE THAT AUDIT  
AND REVIEW GROUP.  
BUT IF IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S A  
LEGAL VIOLATION, A RIGHTS  
VIOLATION OR, YOU KNOW,  
SOMETHING THAT CAUSES A CASE NOT  
TO BE PROSECUTED OR, YOU KNOW,  
IF IT'S SOME IMPROPER USE OF  
TECHNOLOGY THOSE ARE USUALLY  
PUBLIC.  
THOSE ARE ALL IN THE RECORD IN  
THE COURTS.

>> TO CLARIFY THOUGH, YOU'RE  
SAYING AUDIT REVIEW TEAM IS AN  
INTERNAL TEAM.

>> YES.

>> I GUESS FOR ME, MY QUESTION IS HOW DO WE ENSURE THERE'S MORE COMMUNITY CONTROL IN THIS PROCESS.

THAT RESIDENTS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY UNDERSTAND FULLY HOW SURVEILLANCE IS BEING USED.

WHEN, WHY, AND HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO KIND OF WEIGH IN. AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS, I AM CERTAINLY HOPEFUL AFTER THIS HEARING THAT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY THINK THIS THROUGH WITH SOME WORKING SESSIONS AS WE TRY TO SHAPE, YOU KNOW, SOME POLICY OR ORDERANS AROUND REALLY LOOKING AT THIS.

WHAT I AM INTERESTED IN, FOLLOWING UP ON WHAT COUNSELL EDWARDS MENTIONED, HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THE COMMUNITY IS AN ACTIVE PARTNER IN THIS?

>> SURE, I THINK I WAS FOCUSING ON THE WRONG AREA.

SO I THINK AS FAR AS HOW WE USE TECHNOLOGY, WHAT TECHNOLOGY WE'RE USING, WHAT DATA WE'RE GATHERING, THAT'S ALL GUIDED BY OUR POLICY.

AND OUR POLICIES SHOULD BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND OPEN<sup>N</sup>WD FOR SCRUTINY.

SOMETIMES NEW TECHNOLOGIES CAN PUSH THE BOUNDARIES OF EXISTING POLICIES, AND THAT'S WHEN, I THINK, WE SHOULD HAVE A MUCH MORE DELIBERATIVE PUBLIC PROCESS LIKE WE DID WITH THE BODY CAMERAS, WHERE WE LOOK AT, YOU KNOW, HOW THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY, SOMETHING EMERGING, IS GOING TO PUSH THE BOUNDARIES OF AN EXISTING POLICY.

AND THEN WE CAN HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS.

>> AND COUNCILOR, YOU REPRESENTED YOUR CONSTITUENCY,

WE CAN DEFINITELY HAVE THOSE  
CONVERSATIONS.  
AND EDUCATION, Ko! IT'S KEY WHEN  
YOU'RE DISCUSSING NEW  
TECHNOLOGY.  
IF YOU DON'T EDUCATE THE  
CONSTITUENCY, DON'T EDUCATE THE  
PEOPLE WE SERVE, THEN IT'S GOING  
TO BE LED BY STEREOTYPICAL VIEWS  
AND NEGATIVE FEELINGS.  
AND THE TYPE OF EDUCATION WILL  
EDUCATE EVERYBODY ABOUT HOW THEY  
ARE BEING SERVED AND BY WHAT  
MEASURE.

>> I CAN APPRECIATE THAT.  
AND I KNOW THERE ARE MANY FOLKS  
HERE, AS YOU CAN SEE IN THIS  
ROOM, WHO HAVE TAKEN THE TIME TO  
EDUCATE THEMSELVES.  
I REALLY JUST MAKING SURE THERE  
IS A REAL PARTNERSHIP IS  
IMPORTANT TO ME, AND I AM HAPPY  
TO THINK ABOUT HOW WE MOVE  
FORWARD WHETHER IT IS THROUGH  
WORKING SESSIONS, COMMUNITY  
MEETINGS WITH YOU, I AM A HAPPY  
TO DO THAT AND WANT TO MAKE SURE  
THE PEOPLE HAVE A SEAT AT THE  
TABLE.

>> YES, MA'AM.

>> AND COUNCILOR ANNISSA ESSAIBI  
GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU CHAIR AND THANK YOU  
ALL FOR BEING HERE, AND EVERYONE  
IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY.  
JUST A FEW QUESTIONS TO  
FOLLOW-UP ON COUNCILOR JANEY'S  
LINE OF QUESTION.  
WHO IS ON THE AUDIT AND REVIEW  
GROUP, THE INTERNAL GROUP, WHO  
SITS ON THAT?

>> IT'S A FULL UNIT.  
I DON'T HAVE THE NAMES OF  
EVERYONE IN THE UNIT.

>> ALL SWORN MEMBERS?

>> YES.  
AND THEY'RE RESPONSIBLE NOT JUST

FOR TECHNOLOGY, BUT GENERAL COMPLIANCE WITH POLICY AND THEY ARE WITHIN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS GROUP.

>> WITHIN --

>> YES.

>> AND ARE THEY REVIEWING -- WHAT TYPES OF CASES ARE THEY REVIEWING? EVERYTHING THAT THEY GET? REVIEWING ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR OR AUDITING EVERYTHING?

>> THERE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR INTERNAL COMPLIANCE WITH POLICY. SO THAT WOULD ENCOMPASS EVERYTHING, BUT I AM SURE THEY DO SPOT CHECKS, RANDOM CHECKS, OR DO FOCUSED AUDITS.

>> AND THE RESULTS OF THE AUDITS, ARE THEY PRESENTED FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION?

>> I DON'T KNOW THAT.

>> I WONDERED HOW MUCH THAT WE COULD ACTUALLY LEARN FROM IN ORDER TO IMPROVE PRACTICE AT BPD. I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT OUR RESPONSE AS A CITY TO A SNOWSTORM, OR TALKING ABOUT OUR RESPONSE TO SOMETHING THAT'S HAPPENED WITHIN YOUR DEPARTMENT WHETHER IT'S SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED AT BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS, MY FAVORITE.

>> THE FINDINGS OR THE INVESTIGATIONS ARE MADE PUBLIC.

>> ARE THE AUDIT REVIEWS AS WELL?

>> YES.

>> THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

>> I WILL DEFINITELY FOLLOW UP

AND CLARIFY THAT FOR YOU SO  
THERE IS NO CONFUSION ABOUT IT  
WHATSOEVER.

>> HOW ARE THE CASES PUT BEFORE  
THE AUDIT AND REVIEW GROUP?  
IS IT RANDOM?  
OR IS IT SUGGESTED BY SOMEBODY?

>> IT IS A COMBINATION OF  
INPUTS.  
EITHER A PROBLEM IS IDENTIFIED,  
A PROBLEM SUSPECTED BUT NOT  
IDENTIFIED.  
I THINK THERE ARE A NUMBER OF  
WAYS TO MAKE A REFERRAL TO THAT  
GROUP.

>> AND I WONDER IF THE MEDICAL  
FIELD WHEN THEY DECIDE TO DO  
SORT OF AN INTENSIVE LOOK AT A  
PARTICULAR CASE, HOW ARE THEY  
CHOOSING THAT CASE.  
SOMETIMES IT'S DONE RANDOMLY,  
BUT I THINK HAVING A METHOD TO  
THE PROCESS IS REALLY IMPORTANT,  
BOTH FROM A RESEARCH PERSPECTIVE  
AND AN AUDIT PERSPECTIVE.  
BUT THEN, ALSO, I THINK AS A WAY  
TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE CAPTURING A  
HEALTHY AND APPROPRIATE SAMPLING  
OF THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF CASES  
THAT MIGHT COME BEFORE THAT  
GROUP.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

>> GREAT, I THINK THAT'S IT FOR  
ME.  
I KNOW WE ARE LIMITED TO ONE  
QUESTION, SO THANK YOU.

>> COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.

>> THANK YOU MR. CHAIR.  
GOOD AFTERNOON GENTLEMEN.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON.

>> I THINK THE NUMBER OF PEOPLES  
IN THE HALL AND THOSE FOLLOWING  
ONLINE SHOW HOW IMPORTANT AN  
ISSUE THIS IS, AND SAID BY MY  
COLLEAGUES THE PARAMOUNT GOAL IS

PROTECTING CIVIL LIBERTIES AND  
RUNNING A TRANSPARENT PROCESS AS  
POSSIBLE.

MY QUESTION FOR THE FIRST ROUND,  
THE CHIEF OR ANYONE CAN JUMP IN,  
TALK ABOUT THE UNIQUENESS OF  
BOSTON, A WORLD-CLASS CITY, JULY  
4 NEXT WEEK AND THE MARATHON  
MONTHS AGO.

AND THE NEW TECHNOLOGY USED TO  
MAKE SURE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
ARE SAFETY LARGE-SCALE EVENTS.  
COULD BE THE WOMEN'S MARCH LAST  
WE ARE, A WHOLE HOST OF THINGS.

>> YES, YOU HIT IT ON THE HEAD.  
BOSTON IS UNIQUE AND  
HISTORICALLY THIS COUNTRY, IT cOr  
BEGAN HERE IN BOSTON.  
AND IT BEGAN BECAUSE PEOPLE  
WANTED THEIR RIGHTS PROTECTED.  
SO WE'RE KEENLY AWARE OF THAT AS  
WELL.

BUT BOSTON, WE HAVE A WINNING  
CITY SO TO SPEAK, SO DESPITE OUR  
PATRIOTS PARADES, RED SOX,  
BRUINS, CELTICS, THE WOMEN'S  
MARCH 175,000 PEOPLE.  
AND THAT'S 175,000 PEOPLE THAT  
WE HAVE TO PROTECT AND MAKE SURE  
THEIR RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED AS  
WELL.

BOSTON IS A HUGE  
MA -- METROPOLIS WHEN IT COMES  
TO LEARNING, THE BEST BUSINESSES  
IN THE WORLD AND HISTORICAL  
SITE.

POPULATION CAN GROW FROM 650,000  
TO 1.4 MILLION A DAY.  
AND THE REASON FOR MENTIONING  
THIS IS THAT WE HAVE TO STAY  
AHEAD OF THE CURVE ON HOW WE  
PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF BOSTON.  
SO, FOR EXAMPLE, OR BY EXAMPLE,  
WE WENT FROM A HORSE TO A CAR TO  
A CALL BOX TO A RADIO, FROM  
WRITTEN REPORTS TO COMPUTERIZED  
REPORTS.

MEANING WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING TO  
IMPROVE THE DEPARTMENT.  
AND THE IMPROVEMENTS SOMETIMES  
COME THROUGH INEVITABLE  
TECHNOLOGY, WHETHER IT IS CAMERA  
SYSTEMS, UPDATED COMPUTERS,



UPDATED TELECOMMUNICAT  
AND YOU HAVE AN METROPOLIS SUCH  
AS OURS THAT ISxD  
HOLDING MANY EVENTS INCLUDING  
THE MARATHON WE HAVE TO STAY  
AHEAD OF THE CURVE.  
THAT'S WHY WE MAKE SURE WE HAVE  
THE BEST EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE TO  
PROTECT OUR CITY.  
AND ANOTHER EXAMPLE, THE BOSTON  
MARATHON, WE NEVER THOUGHT THAT  
MARATHON WOULD BE BOMBED AND WE  
LOST THE LIVES OF A CHILD,  
CIVILIANS AND OFFICERS AND THOSE  
ARE TEACHABLE MOMENTS FOR US.  
AND WE WOULD LOVE TO USE ANY  
TYPE OF TECHNOLOGY TO EVER  
PREVENT, TO PREVENT SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT FROM EVER HAPPENING  
AGAIN.  
AND WE'RE KEENLY AWARE AGAIN  
THAT ANY NEW TECHNOLOGY NEEDS TO  
BE DISCUSSED WITH THE CITIZENS  
OF BOSTON AND FACILITATED BY THE  
CITY COUNCIL.

>> THANK YOU CHIEF, THANK YOU  
MR. CHAIRMAN.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN AND  
GOOD AFTERNOON CHIEF AND  
SUPERINTENDENT.  
AND I APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THE  
TIME TO BE HERE.xD  
CHIEF, YOU AND I HAD MULTIPLE  
DISCUSSIONS OVER THE YEARS ABOUT  
CIVIL LIBERTIES, COMMUNITY  
POLICING, CRIME STATS,  
PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION,  
CLARENCE RATES, BODY CAMERAS,  
BRINGING BACK THEñr MOUNTED UNIT  
AND EVERYTHING INCLUDED.  
I FIND YOU TO BE ARGUABLY ONE OF  
THE MOST ACCESSIBLE AND  
APPROACHMENT FAIR AND HONEST  
CHIEFS THAT THE CITY HAS EVER  
HAD ON THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT.  
AND I ALSO KNOW THAT YOU'RE  
CITYWIDE, EVERYWHERE.  
I AM CITYWIDE AND I SEE YOU

EVERYWHERE.

AND YOU HAVE LOTS OF  
CONVERSATIONS WITH LOTS OF  
PEOPLE.

AND I JUST REALLY WANT TO GET A  
SENSE, AND ALSO AS AN  
AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALE, WHAT ARE  
YOU HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC?  
I KNOW THERE ARE FOLKS THAT HAVE  
MAJOR CONCERNS THAT SOME DON'T  
WANT THE SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS  
WHATSOEVER AND FEEL IT IS AN  
INFRINGEMENT.

AND JUST YESTERDAY COUNCILOR  
FLYNN AND I MET WITH MOTHERS  
FROM THE THREE PUBLIC HOUSING  
DEVELOPMENT, A MULTI-ETHNIC  
GROUP OF WOMEN WANT MORE POLICE  
PRESENCE, SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS,  
WANT SURVEILLANCE BECAUSE OF THE  
FEAR OF WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE  
DEVELOPMENTS, AND ALSO ARE  
FEARFUL FOR THE KIDS SO THEY ARE  
NOT GOING DOWN THE ROADS OF  
GETTING INVOLVED WITH GANG  
ACTIVITY AND DRUG ACTIVITY.  
WE CAN HAVE THIS DISCUSSION AND  
YOU ARE GOING TO GET, I GUESS, A  
DIVERSITY OF OPINION ON IT.

>> YES, SIR.

>> BUT I PUT A LOT OF VALUE IN  
YOUR EXPERIENCES BECAUSE YOU ARE  
APPROACHABLE AND ACCESSIBLE AND  
THE CITY.

WHAT ARE PEOPLE SAYING TO YOU?  
AND KIDS IN OUR SCHOOL AND  
SENIORS AND EVERYBODY IN  
BETWEEN.

WHAT DO THEY WANT?  
WHAT DO THEY WANT?

>> I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER BECAUSE  
I HAVE BEEN TALKING TO A LOT OF  
PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY ABOUT  
BODY-WORN CAMERAS AND THEN DRONE  
TECHNOLOGY AND THEN IT GOT OUT  
THERE AND AGAIN STEREOTYPICAL  
VIEWS AND PERCEPTIONS.  
BUT WHAT I LIKE ABOUT THE  
CITIZENS OF BOSTON, THEY DON'T  
HOLD BACK.

>> WE ALL KNOW THAT.

>> SO WE'LL ADDRESS THE MOST SERIOUS.

THERE IS NOTHING LIKE THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE.

WHEN I SPEAK TO PARENTS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS THAT HAVE LOST LOVED ONES, THEY WANT WHATEVER TECHNOLOGIES ARE AVAILABLE TO CATCH WHOEVER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT.

AND WHAT CAN YOU SAY TO THAT PERSON, EXCEPT THAT WE'LL UTILIZE WHATEVER WE HAVE TO UTILIZE, BUT WE HAVE TO BE FAIR TO EVERYONE ELSE.

BUT AS PERTAINS TO PEOPLE BEING SHOT, AND VIOLENT CRIME, AND HELPING TO IDENTIFY PEOPLE THAT ARE PRESSING THOSE NUMBERS.

AND IT'S NOT EVERYBODY.

IT'S 1% OR 2%.

PEOPLE WANT THAT TECHNOLOGY, BUT AGAIN WE HAVE TO BE FAIR.

WE HAVE TO STRIKE THAT BALANCE.

AS YOU LOOK ABOUT THE CHAMBERS TODAY, I KNOW I CONGRATULATED EVERYONE BACK HERE, AND I DON'T FORGET WHERE I CAME FROM.

I WAS A YOUNG BLACK MAN AND DIDN'T EVEN LIKE POLICE THEN.

BUT I WAS EDUCATED AND I FELT THAT POLICE WERE TOO INTRUSIVE AT THE TIME AND DIDN'T HAVE MY RIGHTS AT HEART.

SO I AM KEENLY AWARE OF WHERE I CAME FROM AND WHERE I AM AT NOW AND IN MY ROLE.

SO WHEN I TALK TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE, THANK YOU FOR USING YOUR VOICES OF LOGIC AND REPRESENTING HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT YOUR LIBERTIES AND HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS.

THE UNITED STATES, ESPECIALLY HERE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WHEN I TALK TO THE YOUTH, THEY JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY CAN GO ABOUT THE CITY AND NOT BE FOLLOWED.

LIKE NO ONE IS FOLLOWING THEM AROUND WITH CAMERAS OR DRONES,

OR IF THEY LOOK UP AND A DRONE  
ISxD OVER THEIR HEAD.

OR IF THEY ARE SOMEWHERE LIKE  
DOWNTOWN CROSSING AND ALL OF A  
SUDDEN YOU SEE A DRONE OR  
SOMEONE SNEAKING AROUND WITH A  
CAMERA.

THEY SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING  
OUTSIDE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF  
MASSACHUSETTS.

THEY SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING ACROSS  
OUR GREAT NATION, AND I'M VERY  
PROUD WHEN I AM APPROACHED BY  
THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CITY WHO  
ARE TELLING ME HOW THEY FEEL.  
AND SO THE YOUNG FOLKS THAT I'VE  
TALKED TO, THEY JUST DON'T WANT  
DRONES FOLLOWING THEM AROUND.  
ESPECIALLY IF THEY LOOK A  
CERTAIN WAY, DRESS A CERTAIN  
WAY, OR SPEAK A CERTAIN WAY.  
THEY DO NOT WANT TO BE  
STEREOTYPED.

SO WITH BPD, THEY WANT TO ENSURE  
WE'RE NOT STEREOTYPING AND WE'RE  
NOT VIOLATING ANYONE'S RIGHTS.  
AND THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO PLAY  
THE BLAME GAME JUST BECAUSE  
WHERE YOU CAME FROM, WHAT YOU  
LOOK LIKE, OR WHAT YOUR OPINION  
IS.

I'LL CLOSE IT WITH SENIORS.  
I LOVE SENIORS, THEY HAVE NO  
FILTER, SO THEY REALLY TELL YOU,  
YOUR GRANDMOTHERS AND  
GRANDFATHERSES AND AUNTS AND  
UNCLES TELL IT LIKE IT IS.  
AND I LIKE TALKING TO THE  
SENIORS BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO  
EDUCATE THEM ABOUT THE  
TECHNOLOGY.

AND I THINK THAT'S BENEFICIAL  
FOR EVERYONE.

EVERYONE ASSUMES WE KNOW ABOUT  
DRONES.

WE ASSUME WE KNOW EVERYTHING  
ABOUT CAMERAS.

BUT WON -- ONE THING I LEARNED  
ABOUT SENIORS, NOT AS PRIVY AS  
WE ARE ABOUT MODERN TECHNOLOGY  
AND WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT IT, I  
REALLY DO LIKE EXPLAINING  
STEP-BY-STEP-BY-STEP SO THEY GET  
IT.

BECAUSE THEY ARE THE MATRIARCHS  
AND PATRIARCHS OF THE FAMILIES  
WHO EXPLAIN WHEN WE ARE NOT  
THERE.

THERE'S GROUPS THAT IS THE OF  
WHAT I HAVE HEARD.  
AND ESPECIALLY THE YOUNG FOLKS,  
THEY WANT THEIR VOICE TO BE  
HEARD AND THEY WANT TO BE  
INCLUDED IN THE DISCUSSION.  
THEY DON'T WANT TO THINK THAT  
THE CITY COUNCILOR, THE BOSTON  
POLICE ARE THE ONES DICTATING  
POLICY TO THEM WITHOUT HEARING  
THEIR VOICE.  
THAT'S WHAT I HEARD, SIR.

>> AND I KNOW YOUR HEAD AND  
HEART IS IN THE RIGHT PLACE, AND  
I TRUST THE COMMISSIONER AND  
YOUR ABILITY AT SUPERINTENDENT  
AND THE REST OF THE TEAM.  
NO ONE IS PERFECT.  
BPD MAKES MISTAKES, AND THE CITY  
COUNCIL MAKES MISTAKES, EVERYONE  
QUITE FRANKLY MAKES MISTAKES BUT  
IT IS CONTINUING TO MOVE THE  
CITY FORWARD, WHICH I THINK IS  
PART OF THE SUCCESS ON THE CITY  
POLICING SIDE.  
AND ALSO A MODEL ACROSS THE  
COUNTRY, WE ARE NOT PERFECT.

>> NO, WE HAVE WORK TO DO.

>> AND FINALLY WE ALL KNOW, AND  
I THINK WE MIGHT HAVE BEEN  
TOGETHER WHEN THIS HAPPENED, BUT  
WE WERE IN THE DOOR  
CHESTER -- THE DORCHESTER PARADE  
AND THERE WERE DRONES ALONG THE  
ROUTE AND THEY WEREN'T AROUND.  
AND ANYONE HAS ACCESS, YOU CAN  
PROBABLY BUY THEM ON THE  
INTERNET, BUT EVERYONE HAS  
ACCESS TO THEM.  
AND THEY HAVE THEM AND ARE  
FLYING THEM AROUND.  
FOR WHATEVER IT IS WORTH THAT'S  
WHERE WE ARE GOING ON THE  
TECHNOLOGY SIDE.  
AND SOMETHING I TALKED TO THE  
COMMISSIONER LAST WEEK AND WE  
HAD A RASH OF CAR BREAKS AND

FOLKS WALKING INTO PEOPLE'S  
HAM -- HALLWAYS AND STEALING  
PACKAGES.  
AND PEOPLE ARE LESS INCLINED TO  
CALL AND MORE INCLINED TO UPLOAD  
IT TO FACEBOOK AND IT GOES CRAZY  
VIRAL.  
WE HAVE FOLKS THAT ARE WORRIED I  
GUESS ABOUT INFRINGEMENT OF  
PRIVACY.  
AND I CAN GO ONTO FACEBOOK NOW  
AND THERE IS SOMEONE IN THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD STEALING A PACKAGE  
OR BREAKING INTO THE CAR CAUGHT  
LAST NIGHT ON SOMEONE'S  
SURVEILLANCE CAMERA.  
THEY DON'T WANT TO GO DOWN AND  
FILL OUT THE REPORT, TAKE TIME  
OFF WORK.  
MAYBE ENBARE -- EMBARRASSED THEY  
LEFT THE CAR OPEN OR WHATEVER,  
AND INSTEAD THEY UPLOAD  
AND THAT LOOKS LIKE  
AND THEN THE CHATTER STARTS AND  
THE APPREHENSION BASED ON  
FACEBOOK.  
THAT'S WHERE WE ARE GOING.

>> SOMETIMES IT IS THE WRONG  
PERSON.  
AND IN THAT COMMUNITY, SOMEONE  
WHO LOOKED LIKE THEM.

>> AND MY FORMER COLLEAGUE AND  
FORMER CITY COUNCILOR LITERALLY  
BROUGHT SHOTS HERE AND IT  
STARTED IN A HEARING LIKE THIS  
HERE AND IMPLEMENTED.  
AND IT WAS A VERY HELPFUL TOOL  
TO AT LEAST DIFFERENTIATE  
BETWEEN BACKFIRE IN CARS,  
FIREWORKS AND ACTUAL FIREARM  
DISCHARGE.  
AND THE CIRCUMSTANCE MANY STATS  
AS TO IF SOMEONE WAS ON FOOT, ON  
BIKE OR A CAR, WHAT DIRECTION  
THEY COULD HAVE FLED.  
IT LED TO APPREHENSION.  
HAVING HAD A FAMILY MEMBER  
MURDERED VIOLENTLY, NOTHING LIKE  
THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF  
SOMEONE THAT STOLE SOMETHING  
FROM YOUR FAMILY.  
WHEN JUSTICE PREVAILS, ON BEHALF

OF THE FAMILY, THAT LOVED ONES  
AREN'T COMING BACK IN THE DOOR,  
BUT YOU FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE DONE  
YOUR JOB IN PRESERVING AND  
RESPECTING SORT OF THEIR WORTH  
AND MEMORY.  
AND YOU PARTNER WITH THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AND YOU TRY TO GIVE  
THEM WHATEVER INFORMATION YOU  
CAN THAT CAN LEAD TO AN  
APPREHENSION AND/OR ARREST AND  
CONVICTION OF YOUR LOVED ONE.  
YOU WANT IT DONE RIGHT.  
ANY MISSTEP CAN LEAD TO  
ACQUITTAL OR NOT EVEN BEING ABLE  
TO CHARGE SOMEONE.  
SO IT'S CRITICAL, PARTICULARLY  
FOR THE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME  
AND THEIR FAMILIES.  
THAT WE DO THE BEST WE CAN TO  
ENGAGE AND HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL  
EVERY PIECE OF TECHNOLOGY.  
WE ARE IN A CSI WORLD THESE  
DAYS.  
EVERYONE THINKS THE CRIME WILL  
BE SOLVED IN THAT SORT OF GOTCHA  
MOMENT.  
BUT YOU NEED COMMUNITY  
PARTICIPATION.  
WITNESSES, DESCRIPTIONS, LICENSE  
PLATE NUMBERS, CLOTHING, COLORS,  
ALL OF IT IS PART OF HOW WE CAN  
CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER.  
MY HOPE IS OUT OF THIS  
DISCUSSION WE WILL CONTINUE TO  
MAKE STRIDES ON ALL FRONTS AND  
CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER.  
I TRUST YOUR JUDGMENT ON IT.  
YOU GET PEOPLE IN HERE, GIVE  
THEM YOUR EAR, YOUR ATTENTION  
AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

>> AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO  
LISTEN.

>> YOU ARE DOING A GREAT JOB OF  
THE THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.  
AND QUICKLY GOING THROUGH  
ANOTHER ROUND, IF NEED BE.  
MY QUICK QUESTION WOULD BE  
SOMETHING WE TALKED ABOUT AT THE  
SOCIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE

MEETING.

COUNCILOR FLAHERTY BROUGHT UP SHOTS FIRED WHICH IS EXPECT FIF NOT JUST FOR THE COMMUNITY BUT HELPING POLICE OFFICERS. WHAT WEAPON WAS INVOLVED, WHETHER IT WAS ENGAGED, IF IT IS A FIRECRACKER THEY ARE NOT GOING INTO A SITUATION WHERE THERE IS DANGER.

AND CAN YOU TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT BRIEFLY WITH I THINK IT WAS THE NEW YORK POLICE THAT HAVE TECHNOLOGY OF CELL PHONES THAT WERE GIVEN TO THEM, WHICH SHOTS FIRED TECHNOLOGY SO EVERY POLICE OFFICER HAS SHOTS FIRED TECHNOLOGY ON THEIR BODY, WHICH MAY IN THE LONG-TERM, SAVE SOMEBODY'S LIVE OR CAPTURE SOMEBODY MORE QUICKLY.

>> SO THE NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS EQUIPPED ALL OF THEIR OFFICERS WITH SMARTPHONES OR SMARTPHONE TECHNOLOGY. SOME OF THE SAME APPLICATION THEY HAVE ON THE COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH IN THE CARS OR MOBILE DATA TERMINALS IN THEIR CARS RATHER, NOW YOU CAN HAVE ON A CELL PHONE.

AS PERTAINS TO SHOTS FIRED, SOMEONE DISCHARGES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON IT IS LOCATED BY A SENSOR AND IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO A DISPATCHER, WHO THEN TYPES IT OUT TO THE OFFICER'S MOBILE DATA TERMINAL, AS WELL AS BROADCASTS IT OUT.

THAT'S THE DELAY.

I HAVE SHOTS SPOTTER TECHNOLOGY ON MY PHONE.

THE INSTANT THAT A SHOT IS DETECTED IT GOES OFF ON MY PHONE.

AND INSTEAD OF AN OFFICER WAITING TO GET THAT INFORMATION, HE OR SHE WILL IMMEDIATELY HAVE THAT SHOTS SPOTTER INFORMATION AND THEY MAY BE RIGHT IN THAT AREA.

SO IT'S A MORE EFFICIENT



DEPLOYMENT AS A RESULT OF THAT,  
EVERYONE HAVING THAT IMMEDIATE  
TECHNOLOGY AT THE TIPS OF THEIR  
FINGERS.  
AND IT'S WORKED VERY WELL IN NEW  
YORK, AND WE'RE LOOKING TO  
IMPLEMENT THAT HERE.  
EVERYONE USES THEIR SMARTPHONES  
ANYWAY.  
SO WHAT YOU HAVE ON YOUR MOBILE  
DATA TERMINAL, YOU CAN ALSO HAVE  
AT YOUR HANDS HERE.  
AND ALSO DIFFERENT APPLICATIONS.  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADD MORE?

>> ONE THING.  
THE OFFICERS ON THE SMARTPHONE  
APPLICATION WITH SHOTS SPOTTER  
CAN PLAY BACK THE SHOTS.  
GETTING MORE DETAILED  
INFORMATION.  
IN THE PAST THERE IS A DIALOGUE  
BACK AND FORTH TO THE  
DISPATCHER.  
WHERE WAS IT EXACTLY RELATIVE TO  
THIS TREE.  
THE OFFICER CAN NOW LOOK ON HIS  
PHONE, SEE WHERE THOSE SHOTS  
WERE REGISTERED AND PLAY BACK  
THE SHOTS TO LISTEN IF IT WAS  
AUTOMATIC FIRE OR  
SEMI-AUTOMATIC, LARGE-CALIBER,  
SMALL-CALIBER, AND IT GIVES THEM  
LOTS MORE INFORMATION.

>> AND AS WELL A GEOMAP, TOO.  
WE HIT THE LOCATION WHERE THE  
SHOTS ARE, YOU GET A GOOGLE  
EARTH VIEW.  
YOU CAN ACTUALLY FOLLOW THE  
AREAS ALONG YOUR SEARCH AND YOU  
HAVE A PICTURE OF THAT AREA.  
YOU WILL KNOW IF IT IS AN  
APARTMENT BUILDING, IN AN  
ALLEYWAY, RIGHT.  
OR IN A PARK.  
YOU WILL KNOW.  
AS WELL, AS THE SUPERINTENDENT  
ALLUDED TO, YOU HAVE MUCH MORE  
INFORMATION AT HAND.  
THE SHOTS SPOTTER TECHNOLOGY  
WILL GO FROM 24 HOURS TO 3 DAYS  
TO 7 DAYS.  
SO YOU'RE ACTUALLY ABLE TO GO

BACK AND LOOK AT A PATTERN OF SHOTS IN THOSE AREAS. AND SORRY IF YOU ALREADY COVERED THIS, I DO THE QUICK DAYCARE IN AND OUT AND HAND-OFF. COULD YOU TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT INFORMATION SHARING, PARTICULARLY DATA BASES THAT ARE BEYOND BOSTON THAT THE DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY FEEDS INTELLIGENCE INTO OR RECEIVES IT FROM?

SYSTEMS BUT WE ARE NOT -- WE DON'T ACTIVELY POPULATE OTHER DATA BASES THAT HAVE IMPLICATIONS BEYOND THE CITY OF BOSTON.

WE SHARE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGH A VARIETY OF MECHANISMS, INTO OTHER PARTNERS. THROUGH THE PROCESSES I DESCRIBED BEFORE, WE PRODUCE SOME TYPE OF ANALYTIC PRODUCT THAT MIGHT PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF THE WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, AND WHY OF A CIRCUMSTANCE RELATED TO THE CRIME, AND THEN DEPENDING ON THE NATURE OF THAT AND WHO THAT INFORMATION IS APPLICABLE TO, WE WILL SHARE THAT WITH EITHER A VERY NARROW GROUP OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, DEPENDING ON THE SENSITIVITIES THAT ARE INCLUDED, IF IT IS NOT THAT SENSITIVE BUT IT IS MORE FOR GENERAL AWARENESS OR PERHAPS FOR SOME TYPE OF GENERAL PUBLIC SAFETY OR PROTECTIVE PURPOSES, WE REDACT INFORMATION TO PROTECT PRIVACY, CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T DIVULGE INVESTIGATIVE DETAILS THAT COULD IMPACT AN INVESTIGATION, AND THEN WE MIGHT SEND THAT OUT TO A BROADER AUDIENCE, SOMETHING LIKE THAT MIGHT INCLUDE OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THE INITIAL RESPONSE TO AN INCIDENT OR PROTECTION OF AN INCIDENT, THINGS THAT MIGHT HAVE NATIONAL IMPLICATIONS.

WE WOULD ACCEPTED THAT THEN TO A BROAD AUDIENCE THAT HAS BOTH A

RIGHT AND A NEED TO KNOW, AND ACCORDING TO LAW IS ABLE TO VIEW THAT INFORMATION.

SO THERE IS SOMETHING, AND JOHN YOU CAN ALLUDE TO THIS A LITTLE BIT MORE, WE CALL IT CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEMS, RIGHT?

THERE ARE A LOT OF LAWS AND POLICY ABOUT HOW THAT "TYPE OF INFORMATION CAN BE SHARED. SOME OF THAT MIGHT BE CALLED CRIMINAL OFFENDER REGISTRY INFORMATION, AND ONCE WE START GETTING INTO THE DETAILS OF PERSONAL IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION, THE BREADTH AND WHICH WE CAN SHARE INFORMATION IS REDUCED SUBSTANTIALLY BECAUSE IT CAN REALLY ONLY BE SHARED WITH THOSE THAT ARE AUTHORIZED TO SEE IT.

>> AND MOST OF THE TYPE IS THIS A CASE-BY-CASE DECISION IN TERMS OF EACH INDIVIDUAL PIECE OF DATA OR ARE THERE CERTAIN INFORMATION SYSTEMS THAT ONCE SOMETHING IS IN YOUR SYSTEM ANYONE ELSE IN THAT SAME SYSTEM AUTOMATICALLY HAS ACCESS TO IT?

>> SO I THINK THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF DATA, THERE IS THAT CASE SPECIFIC DATA AND THEN THERE IS AGGREGATE DATA, DATASETS.

WE ARE VERY STINGY WITH OUR DATASETS, I THINK, SO THE FRUSTRATION OF SOME OF OUR PARTNERS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHERS, BUT THERE ARE -- A LOT OF THE AGGREGATE DATA WE MAINTAIN IS ALSO PUBLIC RECORD. SO IF IT IS PUBLIC RECORD WE SHARE IT, WE SHARE IT WITH WHOEVER WANTS IT, WHOEVER ASKS FOR IT, IF IT IS NOT PUBLIC RECORD, WE LOOK AT EACH INFORMATION REQUEST ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS, WHEN THAT REQUEST IS FOR AGGREGATE DATA OR JUST BASICALLY A SET OF DATA THAT IS PROTECTED WE DON'T SHARE THAT DATA.

LIKE I SAY.  
WE ARE PRETTY STINGY WITH THAT  
DATA.

>> OKAY.  
SO ONE SYSTEM THAT HAS COME UP A  
FEW TIMES AS I HAVE BEEN HEARING  
FROM FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY IS  
COP LINK CAN TELL, CAN YOU TELL  
US MORE ABOUT THAT AND DOES THAT  
MEAN THAT A FEDERAL IMMIGRATION  
AUTHORITIES ARE PRIVY TO  
INFORMATION THAT IT CAN USE OR  
WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU DO WITH THAT  
SYSTEM?

>> SO WE WERE RUNNING COP LINKS  
A FEW YEARS AGO, BUT NOT  
ANYMORE, WE DON'T SHARE DATA  
THROUGH COP LINK.

>> ARE THERE SIMILAR SYSTEMS  
THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT  
MIGHT HAVE ACCESS TO BESIDES THE  
KIND OF CASE BY CASE INCIDENTS  
OF NATIONAL IMPLICATION?

>> YES, SO WHEN SOMEONE IS  
ARRESTED WE CHECK THEIR IDENTITY  
THROUGH THE FEDERAL SYSTEMS, SO  
WE SEND THE FINGERPRINTS TO A  
CLEARINGHOUSE AT THE STATE, THE  
STATE SENDS THAT TO THE FBI, IT  
IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE  
FBI SHARES THAT BROADLY AT THE  
FEDERAL LEVEL, BUT THAT IS --  
THAT IS JUST A REGULATION THAT  
WE ADHERE TO.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.  
EVERY ARREST.

>> EVERY ARREST, THAT'S RIGHT.  
EVERY ONE, SO NO ONE IS EXCLUDED  
FROM THAT PROCEDURE.  
WE TREAT EVERY THE SAME.

>> GREAT.

>> AND THEN THIS IS MY LAST ONE  
FOR THIS -- FOR JOHN.  
IN TERMS OF VIDEO, WE KNOW WE  
TALKED ABOUT NEW TECHNOLOGY AND  
TECHNOLOGY THAT WE NIGHT NOT

EVEN BE ABLE TO PREDICT AND HOW TO PUT GUIDELINES AROUND THAT, BUT SORT OF TRADITIONAL CANCER THAT ARE EITHER CITY OWNED OR THROUGH AGREEMENTS OR PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OR OTHER FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY, IT SEEMS LIKE THAT HAS BEEN ONE TOOL THAT HAS ALSO BEEN -- THE USE HAS BEEN EXPANDING SO WHAT IS THE FRAMEWORK AROUND THAT AND DATA RETENTION ACCESS, ET CETERA?

>> SO WE MAINTAIN A NETWORK OF CAMERAS, THEY ARE MAINTAINED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THEN THERE ARE ADDITIONAL CAMERAS THAT ARE MAINTAINED AT THE CITY LEVEL, THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE CAMERAS AND VIDEO FOOT FAMILIAR IS SO VALUABLE TO US FOR SOLVING CRIMES AFTER THE FACT, WE -- WE RECORD ALL OF THOSE CAMERAS IN THE CITY THAT WE HAVE ACCESS TO BY AGREEMENT WITH THOSE DEPARTMENTS. BUT WE RETAIN THAT VIDEO FOR 30 DAYS. IF NO ONE REQUESTS THAT VIDEO PURSUANT TO AN INVESTIGATION OR A SUBPOENA, OR A PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUEST, THEN THAT VIDEO IS DELETED AFTER 30 DAYS.

>> AND IS THERE ANY FACIAL RECOGNITION SOFTWARE BEING APPLIED OR BEING THOUGHT ABOUT?

>> THAT'S A GREAT POINT. SO WE DO NOT APPLY ANY VIDEO ANALYTICS, WE DO NOT APPLY ANY DATA ALGORITHMS, ANY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO ANY OF OUR DATASETS. IN THE FUTURE, WE EVALUATE THAT BECAUSE THIS IS EMERGING TECHNOLOGY, BUT AT THIS POINT WE -- WE THINK THE COST OUTWEIGH IT IS BENEFITS, AS FAR AS WHAT IT COULD GIVE US AND SORT OF THE PERCEPTION AND THE DAMAGE IT MIGHT DO TO PUBLIC CONFIDENCE.

>> THANK YOU.

>> CAMPBELL.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCIL WU FOR YOUR LINE OF QUESTIONS, WHICH I HAD.

FOR THE SAKE OF TIME WE HAVE A LOT OF FOLKS THAT WANT TO TESTIFY AND ANOTHER PAM OF FOLKS QUESTION ABSOLUTELY WANT TO HEAR FROM.

IS THERE A WAY THAT THE BRICK IN BPD CAN PROVIDE THE COUNCIL WITH A LIST OF TECHNOLOGIES THAT ARE USED FOR SURVEILLANCE?

I KNOW WE MADE A DISTINCTION EARLY ABOUT TECHNOLOGIES USED FOR DATA PURPOSES BUT THEY MAY NOT BE USED FOR SURVEILLANCE. ALSO SORT OF THE POLICIES -- WHAT POLICIES OR WHAT AGREEMENTS DOES THE CITY OF BOSTON OR THE BRIC HAVE WITH WHETHER IT IS THE STATE OR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHERE INFORMATION ABOUT SURVEILLANCE IS BEING SENT OR AT LEAST SHARES IN SOME WAY?

I THINK WE HAVE AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS REPRESENTED HERE THAT HAS BEEN HERE BEFORE REPRESENTING SOME SOMALI YOUTH AND MUSLIMS, THEY CAME TO A BUDGET HEARING I HELD PREVIOUS AND I KNOW THEY MET WITH COMMISSIONER EVANS AND I WANT TO GIVE COMMISSIONER EVANS FOR MEETING WITH THEM AND HIGHJACK BUT I THINK THERE IS STILL MORE TO DO IN THAT SPACE.

ONE OF THE PROGRAMS THEY HIGHLIGHTED WHERE WE WERE WORKING UNDER A PROGRAM GRANTED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, SORT OF POLLED ON US TO DO SURVEILLANCE OF SOMALI YOUTH OR MUSLIMS OR SOMETHING IN SOME WAY.

AS WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN A PROGRAM, CAN WE ACTUALLY AT LEAST ARTICULATE WHAT PROGRAMS DO WE PARTICIPATE IN OR GIVING OR SHARING DATA THAT IS

SURVEILLANCING PEOPLE? WHERE WE MAY BE GETTING FUNDING TO DO THAT.

IF WE COULD HAVE A FEW OF THOSE THINGS BROKEN DOWN INTO THREE DIFFERENT LISTS THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL BECAUSE I THINK WE COULD BE HERE ALL DAY TALKING ABOUT ALL THE BREADTH OF TECHNOLOGY AND NOT GET TO EITHER THE NEXT PANEL OR FOLKS IN THE AUDIENCE.

>> I THINK WE CAN ANSWER THE FEDERAL QUESTION NOW, AND THERE ARE NO AGREEMENTS, NO SHARING AGREEMENTS OTHER THAN THE REGULATIONS FOR IDENTITY INFORMATION IN THE ARREST PROCESS.

WE DON'T HAVE ANY -- ANY AGREEMENTS THAT WE SHARE DATA WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

>> THAT WAS A PART OF OUR -- THAT WAS PART OF A RUMOR. THAT'S WHY WE ARE WILLING TO EDUCATE FOLKS THAT WE DON'T ASSOCIATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN THAT WAY AT ALL.

IF A FEDERAL INVESTIGATOR ASKS FOR INFORMATION PURSUANT TO AN INVESTIGATION, AND SUPPLIES SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION, YOU KNOW, TO SUPPORT THAT, WE WILL SHARE DATA JUST LIKE WE WOULD, YOU KNOW, WITH THE STATE POLICE OR, YOU KNOW, THE ARLINGTON POLICE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY -- WE DON'T OPEN ANY DATA, NO SPECIAL ACCESS.

>> BUT WE DO PARTICIPATE IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S, JUST GOING TO READ THIS, THE JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE.

>> YES.

>> SO WE ARE PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAMS LIKE THIS, SO FOR EXAMPLE, WHAT DOES THAT PARTICIPATION MEAN?  
SO.

>> PARTICIPATING IN THE JOINT  
TERRORISM TASK FORCE MEANS THAT  
SO FOR US, BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT COMMITS RESOURCES AND  
PERSONNEL TO THE JOINT TERRORISM  
TASK FORCE THAT IS A TASK FORCE  
THAT IS STATUTORILY RESPONSIBLE  
FOR INVESTIGATING ACTS OF  
TERRORISM.

SO ANYBODY THAT IS PART OF THAT  
JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE  
BECOMES AN FBI TASK FORCE  
MEMBER.

OUT OF THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT THE DEPLOYMENT OF  
THOSE MEN AND WOMEN COME OUT OF  
THE BOSTON REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE  
CENTER.

THEY FUNCTION UNDER POLICY OF  
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, VERY  
STRICT POLICY, I MEAN, AS FAR AS  
FROM A SIMPLE -- AS FAR AS  
SIMPLE TERMS GOES, IT IS NO-NO  
DIFFERENT THAN THE LAW  
ENFORCEMENT POLICY WE WORK UNDER  
FOR THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT. THERE MIGHT BE SOME  
DIFFERENT NUANCES TO THAT VERSUS  
STATE VERSUS LOCAL BUT FOR THE  
MOST PART IT IS THE SAME THING.  
I WILL SAY ON THE RECORD I AM  
NOT FAMILIAR WITH ANY PROGRAMS  
THAT EXIST THAT ARE INTENDED TO  
VIOLATE ANY TYPE OF  
CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.  
WHAT YOU DESCRIBED TO ME, MA'AM,  
WOULD ABSOLUTELY WOULD.

>> I AM ENTIRELY UNFAMILIAR WITH  
ANYTHING LIKE THAT AND I JUST  
DON'T THINK ANYTHING LIKE THAT  
WOULD EVER EXIST.

>> SO JUST FOR THE SAKE OF TIME  
AND DAVID AND I HEAR YOU.

>> YES.

>> I THINK THAT EVERY POLICY,  
RIGHT, IS INTENDED TO NOT BE  
DISCRIMINATORY, NOT TO HAVE A  
DISPARATE IMPACT OF DIFFERENT  
COMMUNITIES OF COLOR BUT SHOWS  
UP IN DIFFERENT PRACTICES FOR



CITIZENS SO FOLKS HAVE COME FORWARD TO SAY CERTAIN POLICIES OR THE WAY IN WHICH WE MONITOR CERTAIN FOLKS IS HAVING A NECK IMPACT NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THEIR COMMUNITY .. YES.

>> SO WE OF COURSE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE LISTENING TO THOSE FOLKS AND THEN MAKING ADJUSTMENTS IN ANY WAY SO I THINK WHAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ME FROM THIS PHASE IS JUST HAVING A SENSE OF WHERE BPD SHOWS UP IN SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMS.

SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WOULD THE TASK FORCE OR WORKING WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AROUND TERRORISM, OBVIOUSLY VERY IMPORTANT.

WHAT OTHER SPACES DO WE SHOW UP IN WITH OUR STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WHETHER IT IS A TASK FORCE, WHETHER IT IS SOME OTHER POLICY OR SMALLER TASK FORCE, MAYBE FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, WE PARTICIPATE AND LEAVE? WHAT DOES THAT PROGRAMMING LOOK LIKE?

>> SURE.  
YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY IT ALL NOW BUT --

>> I THINK IT IS PART OF A LARGER PARTICIPATION THAT INVOLVES THE COMMISSION AND OTHER PARTS OF LEADERSHIP.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

>> BUT WHAT I WILL SAY WHEN I HEAR THE TERM SURVEILLANCE, .

>> SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITY, THE MAJORITY OF THE TIME AND I MEAN THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE TIME IS GOING TO HAPPEN UNDER THE CAREFUL, STRICT GUIDANCE OF A COURT ISSUED WARRANT. WHICH MEANS THAT A JUDGE HAS BEEN CONVINCED THERE IS ENOUGH

PROBABLE CAUSE THERE TO ..  
ACTUALLY USE INVASIVE TYPES OF  
TECHNOLOGY, AND A, AND WHAT I  
WANTED TO GET ACROSS IN MY  
OPENING STATEMENTS HERE IS THAT  
THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT THAT IS  
WHAT IS GOING ON, SURVEILLANCE,  
IS SLIM TO NONE.  
IT IS A MISCONCEPTION.

>> SO THE LIST WOULD STILL BE  
HELPFUL.

>> YES.

>> I THINK AT THE END OF THE DAY  
IT STILL INFORMS US SO WE CAN  
HAVE A MORE MEANINGFUL  
CONVERSATION WITH OUR  
CONSTITUENTS AND NOT JUST RELY  
ON ONE GROUP OF FOLKS 0 TO SAY  
THIS IS WHAT WE DO, ANOTHER  
GROUP OF FOLKS, INCLUDING, THIS  
IS WHAT WE DO, BUT HAVING A LIST  
OF STARTING, A STARTING PLACE,  
WOULD BE HELPFUL, PARTICULARLY  
IF WE THINK ABOUT HOW WE DEVELOP  
AN ORDINANCE OR POLICY OR  
SOMETHING THAT GOVERNS ALL OF  
THESE THREE DIFFERENT THINGS,  
WHETHER IT IS SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY OR TECHNOLOGY THAT IS  
BEING USED TO GATHER  
INFORMATION, DATA COLLECTION,  
TECHNOLOGY BEING USED FOR THAT  
PURPOSE, WHETHER IT IS A SMALL  
BUSINESSES OR OUR IS  
STREETLIGHTS, TRAFFIC, WHATEVER  
IT IS, IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE  
A LIST SO WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME  
PAGE WHEN, WHEN DEVELOPING A  
POLICY TO GOVERN THIS AND ALSO  
DEFINING THE ROLE OF THE COUNCIL  
AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS COULD PLAY  
IN MAKING SURE THAT THE  
COMMUNITY IS AWARE OF WHAT IS  
HAPPENING.

>> YES, MA'AM.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH,  
COUNCILOR.

>> COUNCILOR --

>> AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR STICKING AROUND.

SO I JUST WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT WHAT I THINK THIS HEARING IS ABOUT AND WHAT IT IS NOT.

AND WE HEARD A LOT OF TESTIMONY ABOUT HOW MUCH SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES TRUST YOU OR THEY TRUST YOUR PERSPECTIVE AND YOUR EXPERIENCE AND I -- AND THIS HEARING IS NOT ABOUT THAT.

IT IS ALSO NOT ABOUT, I FEEL, VICTIMS WHO ARE SUFFERING AND WHO NATURALLY HE WOULD WANT ANY KIND OF RESOURCE TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PERSON WHO CAUSED THEM TO SUFFER OR CAUSED THE LOSS OF THEIR SON, CHILD OR WHOMEVER TO BE APPREHENDED WITH THE BEST TECHNOLOGY.

THAT'S NOT WHAT THIS IS ABOUT TODAY.

AND IT IS NOT NECESSARILY ABOUT THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TECHNOLOGY THAT YOU HAVE. IT IS NOT ABOUT HOW GOOD THE SHOT, WHAT IS IT CALLED --

>> YES, IT IS NOT ABOUT THAT. IT IS ABOUT WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO WATCH US HOW WE CAN WATCH YOU AND I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE, BECAUSE I DON'T WANT THIS TO BE A DEBATE ABOUT HOW AWESOME YOU ARE OR HOW GREAT THOSE THINGS WILL BE OR WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO COST US ANYTHING.

>> THAT IS A QUESTION.

>> I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT I GUESS I AM JUST PUTTING IT OUT THERE THAT BECAUSE IN YOUR ANSWER YOUR FIRST THINGS ME DEMONSTRATED YOU AND I ARE ON THE SAME PAGE.

>> YES.

>> WHICH IS THAT YOU AGREE.

>> I DO.

>> WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO WATCH AN CONSENT HOW WE ARE WATCHED.

>> YES.

>> SO MY FOLLOW-UP QUESTION TO YOU IS IS HOW SOON CAN WE START? SO WE HAVE A BUDGET COMING UP, WE WILL BE VOTING ON IT ACTUALLY, AND WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO GET US A LIST OF ALL OF YOUR TECHNOLOGY, ALL OF YOUR DATABASES, AND ALL OF THE WAYS IN WHICH YOU ARE CURRENTLY SHARING OUR INFORMATION TO US BEFORE WE VOTE ON THAT BUDGET? WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO DO THAT?

>> WE CAN DEFINITELY TALK ABOUT THAT AND I WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT THE COMMISSIONER, YES.

>> THAT'S A YES, WE DON'T HIDE ANYTHING.

>> NO, NO.

>> IT IS YOUR MONEY WE PURCHASE TECHNOLOGY WITH, SO, YES.

>> NO, NO.  
BECAUSE I THINK THAT INSTEAD OF US HAVING TO MAYBE GO THROUGH THE RIGMAROLE OF AN ORDINANCE WHICH WE ULTIMATELY SHOULD IF THERE IS ALREADY WILLINGNESS ON YOUR PART AND YOUR COMMITMENT RIGHT NOW TODAY TO DO THAT, TO SHARE THAT INFORMATION AND TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ULTIMATELY CAN SEE IT BEFORE IT HAPPENS, YOUR CURRENT TECHNOLOGY AND WHAT YOU HOPE TO ALSO IMPLEMENT I WOULD LOVE A LIST OF THAT BUT AGAIN TO THE DATA SHARING AND YOUR DATABASES AS WELL BEFORE WE VOTE ON THE BUDGET.  
IS THAT POSSIBLE?

>> JUST FOR THE RECORD I DO HAVE TO INCLUDE THE COMMISSIONER.

>> OF COURSE.

>> WITH THIS DISCUSSION AND I KNOW SOME PEOPLE MAY HAVE TAKEN ISSUE WITH THAT, THAT'S THE WAY IT IS.

>> IF THEY TOOK ISSUE --

>> YES.  
AND BEFORE THAT, THE COUNCILOR ASKED ME A QUESTION AND I WAS JUST ANSWERING IT.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

>> WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE AND WITH WORD FROM THE COMMISSIONER, WE ARE TRANSPARENT.  
AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING THAT DISCUSSION WITH YOU.

>> RIGHT.  
AGAIN I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE DISCUSSION WAS NOT ABOUT YOUR CHARACTER OR WHETHER YOU HAD SOMETHING TO HIDE, JUST STRICTLY WHEN YOU ARE GOING TO BE WATCHING ME, THAT I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE WATCHING THEY WITH.

>> RIGHT.

>> AND I SEE WHERE MY MONEY IS GOING AND THAT, I JUST WANT THAT TO BE THE BLACK AND WHITE QUESTION AND I'M SO HAPPY AGAIN THAT YOU COMMITTED TO SAYING, YES, THAT WHEN IT COMES TO HOW YOU ARE WATCHING US THAT YOU DO AGREE THAT WE SHOULD HAVE APPROVAL OF THE, AT THE CITY COUNCIL LEVEL AND ULTIMATELY I THINK WE ARE GOING TO GET THERE. SO I APPRECIATE AGAIN YOU MAKING YOURSELF AVAILABLE AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TRANSPARENT ANSWERS BUT I DIDN'T WANT US TO BE DISTRACTED BY THOSE OTHER TOPICS.

>> THAT CONCLUDES PANEL 1, I WANT TO THANK THE CHIEF AND YOUR STAFF FOR COMING.  
I APPRECIATE THE IN-DEPTH

INTRODUCTION, IT MEANS A LOT, WE WILL CERTAINLY BE HAVING WORKING SESSIONS IN THE FUTURE.

>> I HOPE STORCHTS AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER ON THIS ON THIS JUSTICE TASK FORCE AND ALL OF THE OTHER THINGS AND WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOU COMING HERE.  
SO THAT WILL BE THE END OF PANEL 1.  
THANKS SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE.

>> AND QUESTION WILL MAKE ROOM FOR YOU.

>> THE SECOND KATE CRAWFORD AND BEN GREEN, THE SECOND PANEL IS CRAWFORD AND BEN GREEN.

>> WELCOME, EVERYBODY.

>> THANKS FOR COMING, EVERYBODY FOR PANEL NUMBER 2, IF YOU COULD JUST INTRODUCE YOURSELF, YOUR AFFILIATION AND OPENING STATEMENT.  
THAT WOULD BE GREAT.  
THANKS.

>> MY NAME IS JAMIE KENNEDY.  
I COME FROM A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION CALLED BIKES, NOT BOMBS, TO USE THE BICYCLE AS A VEHICLE FOR SOCIAL CHANGE, AND WE ARE HERE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND WHAT IS RIGHT.

>> THANK YOU, JAMIE.

>> I AM A --

>> AAM A COMMUNITY LEADER AND LEADER OF MAX HOST.

>> MY NAME IS BEN GREEN, I AM A FELLOW AT THE BERKELEY CLIENT CENTER FOR INTERNET SOCIETY AT HARVARD.

>> HI, FOLKS MY NAME IS KATE CRAWFORD THE DIRECTOR OF THE TECHNOLOGY FOR LIBERTY PROGRAM

AT THE ACLU OF MASSACHUSETTS AND  
I AM REALLY APPRECIATIVE OF ALL  
OF THE WORK THAT YOU ALL HAVE  
DONE TO GET THIS HEARING  
TOGETHER AND ESPECIALLY FOR THE  
FOLKS WHO STAYED TO HEAR OUR  
TESTIMONY.  
THANK YOU.

>> SO WE CAN JUMP RIGHT IN.

>> THANK YOU, CITY COUNCILOR, MY  
NAME IS MIKE -- ALSO A COMMUNITY  
ACTIVIST AND A RESIDENT OF  
BROWNLEY HEATH.

I JUST WANT TO SHARE A LITTLE  
BIT OF THE STORY ABOUT THE  
POLICE TECHNOLOGY.

SO I WROTE IT DOWN.

GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MIKE  
-- I AM A RESIDENT OF MERGER  
HALEY, MAJOR HALEY APARTMENTS --  
TODAY I STAND IN FRONT OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL IN HOPES OF PASSING  
AN ORDINANCE FOR A COMMUNITY  
PATROL -- SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY.

LAST SUMMER IN JULY OF 2017,  
RESIDENTS IN THE -- APARTMENTS  
ALERTED MYSELF OF A -- IN THE  
COMMON AREA OF THE COMMUNITY ON  
PAT PARTICULAR DAY THERE WERE A  
LOTS OF RESIDENTS OUTSIDE THAT  
DAY COOKING OUT, KIDS IN THE  
PARK, TYPICAL SUNNY AFTERNOON,  
THE RESIDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY  
WERE CONCERNED BECAUSE NOBODY  
COULD FIGURE OUT WHO WAS  
CONTROLLING THE DRONE FLYING  
ABOVE.

WHAT ARE THEY THEY DOING?

WHAT, -- -- IS IT TAKING PHOTOS?  
WAS IT RECORDING CONVERSATIONS??  
WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE, QUESTIONS  
WE HAD BUT NOBODY HAS HAD THE  
ANSWER TO.

I BEGAN WALKING HOME AND I  
SPOTTED TWO POLICE VEHICLES AND  
IN THE LENOX MOTEL PARKING LOT  
ACROSS FROM THE MAJOR HALEY  
APARTMENTS AND TWO OFFICERS  
OUTSIDE OF THIS ESTABLISHMENT,  
TESTING THE DRONE, A FEW  
SECONDS, AFTER A FEW SECONDS

THEY QUIT, THE DRONES I SEEN  
FLYING INSIDE THE WERE BEING  
CONTROLLED BY THE HALEY  
APARTMENT.

AS A VOICE FOR THE COMMUNITY I  
FOUND IN STRANGE THE POLICE  
DIDN'T TELL THE CITY OR  
COMMUNITY RESIDENTS THEY WERE  
GOING TO BE TESTING OR USING  
DRONES IN AND AROUND THE  
COMMUNITIES.

ESPECIALLY IN BOSTON CITY  
APARTMENT DOESN'T HAVE A  
COMMUNICATION, DOESN'T HAVE  
COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, THE BEST  
INTEREST AT HEART.

I AM AWARE OF THE CITY AND --  
AND ABLE TO GET AHOLD OF KATE AT  
THE ACLU AND DIG DEEPER INTO THE  
RABBIT HOLE.

THE DEPARTMENT SPENT \$17,500 ON  
THREE DRONES AND RELATED  
EQUIPMENT OVER A THREE MONTH  
PERIOD.

WHAT WAS MORE STUNNING WITH DOES  
ANSWERS FROM THE PR PEOPLE TO  
INDIVIDUALS IN THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT.

SPOKESWOMAN FOR MARTY J WALSH  
SAID NO SANCTIONED OFFICIAL USE  
OF DRONES HAD BEEN PERMITTED BY  
THE BPD, WHEN THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT USE AS DRONES IT WILL  
BE AT THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT,  
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS,  
LIEUTENANT MICHAEL MCCARTHY SAID  
LIKELY TWO OFFICERS PHOTOGRAPHED  
-- IT WAS LIKELY TWO OFFICERS  
PHOTOGRAPHS WERE QUOTE PLAYING  
WITH A TOY, AND OFFICERS AREN'T  
AUTHORIZED TO USE PERSONAL  
EQUIPMENT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF  
OFFICIAL DUTIES.

I BELIEVE BOTH STATEMENTS COP  
FROM A PLACE OF IGNORANCE AND  
POWER, MOST A STATEMENTS  
CONTRADICT MYSELF AND COMMUNITY,  
IN DOING SO, RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN COMMUNITY OF COLOR AND  
THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
WILL CONTINUE TO GROW FURTHER  
APART, IT IS HARD TO ASK FOR  
ACCOUNTABILITY FROM COMMUNITIES  
WHEN IT SHOWS YOU DON'T HOLD



YOURSELF TO THE, OR THE STANDARD  
TO THE SAME STANDARDS.

IN THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL AND  
PRESIDENT MICHELLE WU HAD NO  
KNOWLEDGE OF THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT BUYING DRONES UP  
UNTIL THE REPORT ASKED HER FOR  
HER THOUGHTS.

I ASKED IF MY COMPEL WU ARE LEFT  
IN THE DARK, WHAT DO YOU THINK  
ABOUT THE RESIDENTS IN THE CITY,  
AND I LEAVE YOU WITH A QUOTE BY  
JAMES BALDWIN, I CAN'T BELIEVE  
-- I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT YOU SAY  
BECAUSE I SEE WHAT YOU DO.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> AND ALSO I HAVE 25 SIGNATURES  
FROM A PETITION SUPPORTING THE  
ORDINANCE, MICHELLE WU SO OVER  
100 RESIDENTS SIGNED EITHER  
THEIR RESIDENTS, CITY OF BOSTON  
OR RESIDENTS OF BROWNLEY HEATH.

>> DO YOU WANT A COPY OF THAT?

>> A COPY AND GIVE IT BACK?

>> NO, I WILL HOLD ON TO THEM.

>> AND EVEN DOING SO, THERE WERE  
RESIDENTS WHO WERE AFRAID TO  
SIGN UPTON PETITION BECAUSE THEY  
DIDN'T WANT THEIR NAMES OUT  
THERE AND THEY DIDN'T WANT THEIR  
INFORMATION OUT THERE AND ANYWAY  
BEING MISUSED OR MISTREATED BY  
THE POLICE AND ANY BACKLASH SO  
THERE WERE RESIDENTS AFRAID TO  
COME UP AND SPEAK AND RESIDENCE  
WHO WERE AFRAID TO COME TO CITY  
HALL.

>> UNDERSTOOD, THANK YOU,  
MICHAEL.

>> GO AHEAD, JIMMY.

>> MY NAME IS JAMIE KENNEDY, AS  
I SAID, IN GENERAL I JUST WANT  
TO VOICE MY OPINION FROM THE  
PERSPECTIVE OKAY BEING SOMEONE  
THAT IS ACTUALLY CONNECTED WITH

THE YOUTH.

SO ESSENTIALLY I AM JUST TIRED OF IT, I AM SAD OF IT, I AM SICK OF IT, AND I DON'T MESS WITH IT, WITH THE COPS ON AN INSTITUTIONAL OR SYMPTOMATIC LEVEL NO MATTER HOW GOOD OF A PERSON YOU MAY BE, THE VERY ORIGIN OF POLICE IS ROOTED IN PAIN AND RACISM THAT WE SEE TODAY.

WE BELIEVE THE POLICE ARE NOT PROTECTING AND SERVING RATHER THEY ARE INTIMIDATING AND HURTING OUR YOUTH.

I WORK AT A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION CALLED BIKES NOT BOMBS, WHERE WE FIGHT FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE BY USING THE BIKE AS A VEHICLE FOR SOCIAL CHANGE. WE HAVE A LOT OF YOUTH COME IN FROM THE COMMUNITY AND INNER CITIES WHO FEEL LIKE PRISONERS IN THEIR OWN NEIGHBORHOODS WITH THE LEVEL OF SURVEILLANCE AND THE EASE IN WHICH POLICE DISRESPECT AND CROSS BASIC CIVIL BOUNDARIES.

I HAVE HEARD STORIES FROM OUR YOUTHS OF KIDS GETTING HIT BY SCOOTERS ON POLICE, AND UNLAWFULLY SEARCHED, BOSTON DOESN'T HAVE THE BEST MISS THE WORLD, WE ARE JUST BETTER AT HIDING IT.

THERE WAS ALWAYS ROOM FOR GROWTH AND WE HAVE A SICK SYSTEM THAT NEEDS A LOT OF IT.

THE YOUTH THAT I CONNECT WITH AT BNB, EVEN THOUGH I -- THEY ARE LIKE FAMILY AND TIRED OF OUR YOUTH FEELING SCARED BY POLICE, MY FAMILY BEING SCARED OF POLICE, POLICE FEEL IT IS OKAY TO SCARE US, I WILL NOT SHOW FEAR AND RISE AND BE BETTER THAN CREDIT.

AT THIS POINT I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED IF PEOPLE OF COLOR FELT SAFER WITHOUT THE POLICE. I HAVE BEEN ASKED BY A STATE TROOPER BEFORE WHEN I WAS TEN YEARS OLD WHETHER I HAD WEED ON ME AND WHEN I TOLD HIM I DIDN'T

HE SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE ME,  
SIMPLY BECAUSE I AM BLACK WITH  
DREADS THIS IS JUST ONE EXAMPLE  
OF HOW THEY TRIED TO PUT THE  
FEAR IN ME AND AN EXAMPLE OF  
WHAT GOES ON WITH SO MANY OF OUR  
YOUTH AND WHY THERE IS SO MUCH  
FEAR AND WHY WE DON'T TRUST THE  
POLICE.

QUOTE ME, TELL ME IF I AM WRONG  
ON THIS BUT AROUND THE 1,700S I  
BELIEVE I FOUND OUT RECENTLY  
THAT POLICE ACTUALLY STARTED AND  
WERE FORMED BY THE WAY OF SLAVE  
PATROLS, SLAVE CAMPERS, THAT IS  
THE ORIGIN OF THOSE WE ASK TO  
PROTECT AND SERVE, THE RACISM IS  
SO DEEPLY INGRAINED WITHIN OUR  
SYSTEM THAT THE POLICE ARE PUT  
IN A POSITION TO JUDGE OTHERS BY  
THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN.

WHEN I HEAR COMMISSIONER EVANS  
AND THINKABLE IS TRUE, I BELIEVE  
IT IS TRUE WHEN I HEAR HIM SAY  
WE TARGET BAD KIDS IN BAD  
NEIGHBORHOODS ALL I HEAR IS WE  
TARGET BLACK KIDS WITH SLAVE  
ORIGINS.

I, BIKE NOT BOMBS CONTINUE STAND  
FOR THIS, WE WISH TO CREATE A  
CITY, A COMMUNITY WHERE ALL CAN  
EXIST WITHOUT FEAR OF THE POLICE  
AND TRUST THAT THEY ARE SAFE  
FROM BEING ENTERED INTO GANG  
DATABASES, BEING WATCHED BY  
SECRET TECHNOLOGY OR BEING  
KILLED BY THE POLICE.

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE THERE IS NO  
POSSIBILITY OF HAVING PEACE  
WITHOUT POLICE PRESENCE, LOOK AT  
ANY WHITE SOX PRIVILEGED  
COMMUNITY IN AMERICA AND SEE  
JUST HOW MUCH HARASSMENT THERE  
IS OF THEIR YOUTH.

WE ASPIRE FOR A PLACE WHERE ONE  
CAN FEEL COMFORTABLE NO MATTER  
RACE OR COLOR AND IN ITS CURRENT  
FORM FROM A SYSTEMATIC  
STANDPOINT, WE FEEL WE DO NOT  
NEED THE POLICE TO DO THAT.  
WE WANT MORE MONEY FOR THE  
HEALING PRACTICES, THERAPY,  
YOUTH PROGRAMS, AND ALL OF THOSE  
OTHER POSITIVE FORMS IN OUR

COMMUNITY.

I HAVE NO FEAR, I BELIEVE IN ONE  
LOVE AND I BELIEVE IN ROSS IS A  
FAR.

>> ROSTA -- FOR FORCE.

>> HI, FOLKS, CREATE CRAWFORD  
FROM THE ACLU, THANK YOU FOR ALL  
OF YOU WHO STAYED AND THANKS  
ESPECIALLY TO WU, MCCARTHY AND  
CAMPBELL FOR CALLING THIS,  
HEARING TODAY.

OBVIOUSLY YOU CAN SEE THERE ARE  
VERY MANY BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE IN  
THIS ROOM.

THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT PEOPLE IN  
BOSTON REALLY CARE ABOUT AND AN  
ISSUE THAT BRINGS TOGETHER  
PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE CITY.  
PEOPLE FROM DIFFERENT WALKS OF  
LIFE, ALL DIFFERENT COLORS,  
PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.

BECAUSE SURVEILLANCE IS  
SOMETHING THAT IMPACTS EVERYONE  
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

OBVIOUSLY, IT IMPACTS US IN  
DIFFERENT WAYS, THOUGH.

SO I THINK A LOT OF THE  
TESTIMONY IS THAT YOU WILL BE  
READING FROM FOLKS WHO COULDN'T  
MAKE IT HERE TODAY BUT GAVE  
WRITTEN TESTIMONY BUT WILL SPEAK  
TO RACIAL INEQUITIES WE HAVE  
BEEN ORGANIZING FOR ABOUT A YEAR  
NOW TALKING TO A LOT OF FOLKS IN  
THE CITY OF BOSTON AND ONE THEME  
HAS REALLY RISEN TO THE TOP AND  
YOU MAY HAVE HEARD OR ACTUALLY  
JUST WITNESSED SOME OF THIS  
YOURSELF WHICH IS DEPENDING ON  
HOW OLD YOU ARE, WHAT  
NEIGHBORHOOD YOU LIVE IN AND  
ESPECIALLY THE COLOR OF YOUR  
SKIN, YOUR WE ARE YOUR, YOUR  
PERCEPTION OF THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT IS DIFFERENT FROM A  
DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOOD,  
DIFFERENT AGE, DIFFERENT COLOR  
OF SKIN AND I THINK THAT WE AS A  
CITY NEED TO GRAPPLE WITH, I  
WANT TO TURN SPECIFICALLY TO THE  
SUBJECT OF SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY, WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY

ONE OF THE MANY THINGS THAT  
PEOPLE ARE HERE TALKING ABOUT  
TODAY.

I SUBMITTED PRETTY VOLUMINOUS  
WRITTEN TESTIMONY, SO I AM NOT  
ACTUALLY GOING TO GO OVER A LOT  
OF THAT, I HOPE YOU ALL WILL  
READ IT.

BUT I DID WANT TO RESPOND TO A  
FEW OF THE THINGS THAT LAW  
ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS SAID,  
UNFORTUNATELY, THEY LEFT AND,  
YOU KNOW, I THINK ALSO, YOU  
KNOW, JUST GENERALLY IN THE CITY  
OF BOSTON ONE THING WE SEE A LOT  
AT HEARINGS LIKE THIS, IS THAT  
THE POLICE COME AND THEY SPEAK  
AND THEY TALK ABOUT HOW MUCH  
THEY CARE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY  
AND COMMUNITY VOICES AND THEY  
LEAVE BEFORE THEY HAVE A CHANCE  
TO HEAR WHAT PEOPLE IN THE  
COMMUNITY HAVE TO SAY AND I FIND  
THAT REALLY TROUBLING.

SO UNFORTUNATELY, THEY ARE NOT  
HERE TO HEAR WHAT I AM SAYING,  
AND I WILL SAY IT ANYWAY BECAUSE  
I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR  
THOSE IN THIS SPACE AND THOSE  
WATCHING THE HISTORICAL RECORD  
AND OF COURSE YOU COUNCILORS  
HERE.

ONE, IT IS ASTONISHING WE JUST  
HEARD IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS  
HEARING THAT THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT DOESN'T USE THE COP  
LINK SYSTEM ANYMORE.

IT IS ASTONISHING BECAUSE I  
OBTAINED RECORDS THROUGH A  
PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST THAT I  
DID AT MY OFFICE IT IS B ACT  
THROUGH FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS  
STATE POLICE LAST YEAR WHICH  
CONTAINED AND I CAN SEND THESE  
DOCUMENTS TO YOU ALL IF YOU ARE  
INTERESTED IN SEEING THEM A  
POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OF THE  
MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE GAVE  
TO ITS OWN OFFICERS TRAINING  
THEM IN HOW TO USE THE COP  
LIMPING SYSTEM AND AMONG THOSE  
SLIDES IN THAT POWERPOINT  
PRESENTATION WAS ONE THAT SHOWED  
ALL OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN

THE STATE THAT CONTRIBUTE ALL OF THEIR DATA TO COP LINK AND THE BOSTON POLICE WAS LISTED THERE. AMONG THE RECORDS THAT POLICE DEPARTMENTS .. AS FAR AS THIS DOCUMENT SAYS INCLUDING THE BOSTON POLICE CONTRIBUTE TO COP LINK ARE FIOS WHICH STANDS FOR FIELD INTERROGATION OBSERVATION RECORDS, THOSE ARE -- A LOT OF PEP PROBABLY KNOW THAT BY THE CLOAK YALG, COLLOQUIAL TERM STOP AND TERRIFIC BUT OFTEN TYPES THE POLICE DON'T STOP AND INTERACT WITH SOMEONE, IT IS A STREET LEVEL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM THAT CAN EVEN HAPPEN WITHOUT ANY INTERACTION, SO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL MAY BE SITTING IN HIS CRUISER, SEE SOME YOUNG PEOPLE IN A PARK THAN MERELY WRITES DOWN, YOU KNOW, JAMIE IS HANGING OUT WITH MIGUEL, THIS IS THE TIME AND DATE, THIS IS WHAT THEY ARE WEARING, I SAW THEM WALK IN THE DIRECTION OF THE SCHOOL. THIS IS AN FIO REPORT AND THAT GETS FILED IN THE DATABASE AND THAT IS ONE OF THE TYPES OF SURVEILLANCE WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT.

OBVIOUSLY, RECORDS OBTAINED BY THE ACLU THROUGH A LAWSUIT A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO SHOWED THAT THAT FIO DATA REFLECTS REALLY SEVERE RACIAL DISPARITIES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

63 PARTICIPANT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FIOED, THAT INCLUDES STOPS, FRISKS, ANY SORT OF OBSERVATIONS THAT TAKE PLACE FROM AFAR WERE BLACK PEOPLE AND BLACK PEOPLE COMPOSE 24 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON. NOW THAT DISCREPANCY CAN'T BE ACCOUNTED FOR WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE CRIME RATES OF THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS. SO THAT IS REALLY TROUBLING.

ANYWAY, TO GET BACK TO COP LINK, THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE RECORDS FROM LAST YEAR CLEARLY INDICATE THAT THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS CONTRIBUTING ITS

DATA TO COP LIMPING OR AT LEAST WAS THEN, AND THAT INCLUDES ITS FIO RECORD, THE INCIDENT REPORTS, POTENTIALLY MUGSHOT DATA, AS WELL AS MAYBE WE DON'T KNOW, INTELLIGENCE RECORDS FROM THE BOSTON REGIONAL JPS CENTER, SO I THINK THAT THE FACT THAT YOU ALL CITY COUNCILORS, US TAXPAYERS, RESIDENTS, FOLKS WHO LIVE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW THAT THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT, A, WAS CONTRIBUTING ALL OF THIS INFORMATION TO COP LINK, AND THAT, YOU KNOW, NEWS WAS JUST MADE IN THIS HEARING, THAT APPARENTLY THEY HAVE STOPPED CONTRIBUTING INFORMATION TO COP LINK I THINK REALLY SPEAKS TO THE NEED FOR THIS PROCESS AND FOR A ROBUST COMMUNITY CONTROL ORDINANCE THAT NOT ONLY GIVES THE PUBLIC THROUGH THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY COUNCIL A CLEAR WINDOW INTO THE ACTIVITIES AND THE INFORMATION SHARING PROGRAMS AND THE SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGIES THAT THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS INVOLVED IN BUT ALSO GIVES US A VOICE, FRANKLY, AND THAT LEADS ME TO MY NEXT COMMENT WHICH FIRST I JUST WANT TO SAY ALSO, ON THE INFORMATION SHARING TIP WITH ICE, THE COP LINK ISSUE IS ACTUALLY A VERY IMPORTANT ONE, BECAUSE ICE HAS ACTUAL YES DENIED ACCESS TO THE MASSACHUSETTS COP LINK SYSTEM, SO IF IT IS TRUE WHAT THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE SAID IN THESE DOCUMENTS LAST YEAR, THAT THE BPD DOES CONTRIBUTE DATA TO COP LINKS, THAT IS A REAL PROBLEM FOR A CITY THAT HAS COMMITTED NOT TO ENGAGE WITH ICE AND CB. THE AND OTHER FEDERAL IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES BECAUSE IT MEANS WE ARE ACTIVELY SHARING HUGE QUANTITIES OF DATA ABOUT PEOPLE WITH MEMBERS OF THOSE FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ORGANIZATIONS. SO THAT REALLY,

I MEAN, THAT TRULY SPEAKS TO THE HEART OF WHAT WE NEED TO GET AT TODAY, WHICH IS THERE IS A LOT OF OBSCURITY, THERE IS A LOT OF OPAQUENESS AROUND THESE QUESTIONS, IT SHOULD NOT BE OPAQUE, IT SHOULD NOT BE OBSCURE.

IT SHOULD BE VERY CLEAR TO YOU ALL IN THE COUNCIL AND TO US AS RESIDENTS OF THE CITY EXACTLY WHAT KINDS OF INFORMATION BPD IS COLLECTING, HOW IT IS DOING IT UNDER WHAT LEGAL AUTHORITY AND WHO THAT INFORMATION IS GETTING SHARED WITH UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES.

SO ON THE DRONE QUESTION I THINK THAT IS ANOTHER ISSUE THAT REALLY HIGHLIGHTS THE REASON WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY. YOU KNOW, FOLKS ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THEY MAY HAVE A VIEW AND FRANKLY SOME PEOPLE ON THE COUNCIL MAY AND SOME PEOPLE IN THE CITY MAY TOO THAT HAVING DRONES IS PERFECTLY OBVIOUS, IT IS SOMETHING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOULD OBVIOUSLY DO, WE JUST HEARD SUPERINTENDENT DALEY WHEN HE WAS ASKED ABOUT FACIAL RECOGNITION SAY, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T USE FACE SURVEILLANCE NOW BUT IT IS CERTAINLY COMING DOWN THE PIKE AND LOOKING AT IT, THAT IS TROUBLING, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, IF THE CITY OF BOSTON USES FACE SURVEILLANCE ALGORITHMS ON ALL OF THE NETWORKS AND SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS WE USE THROUGH THE MBTA POLICE, THE CAMERAS ALL THROUGHOUT THE CITY, PARTICULARLY IN LOW-INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS AND NEIGHBORHOODS OF COLOR IT IS GOING TO MEAN LITERALLY THE ERADICATION OF PRIVACY IN PUBLIC, IT IS GOING TO MEAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CAN REWIND IN TIME TO SEE WHERE YOU WERE, WITH WHOM AND WHEN, FOR AS LONG AS THAT FOOTAGE IS RECORDED.

DOES THAT OPEN UP REAL POSSIBILITIES FOR INVESTIGATIONS



AND FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURPOSES?  
ABSOLUTELY.

DOES IT FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGE THE  
BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN THE  
RESIDENTS AND THE GOVERNMENT IN  
WHAT IS OS 7 MY AN OPEN AND FREE  
SOCIETY?

YEAH, YOU BETCHA AND WE CANNOT  
GO STUMBLING BLINDLY INTO THAT  
KIND OF FUTURE.

WE NEED TO BE VERY DELIBERATE AS  
A PEOPLE, AS A CITY OF PEOPLE  
WHO CALL OURSELVES FREE, RIGHT?  
WE CAN BE VERY DELIBERATE ABOUT  
MAKING THOSE CHOICES, THOSE  
CHOICES SHOULD NOT BE MADE BY  
BUREAUCRATS IN THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT, THEY SHOULD BE MADE  
BY ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO ARE  
INFORMED BY THE VIEWS OF THEIR  
CONSTITUENTS AND THAT'S EXACTLY  
THE PROBLEM WITH THE DRONES.

YOU KNOW, THERE IS NOW AN EFFORT  
ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO HAVE  
TO SAY THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A  
PUBLIC PROCESS ABOUT  
DELIBERATING ON A POLICY, GREAT,  
WE SHOULD HAVE HAD A PUBLIC  
PROCESS TO ASK THE QUESTION OF  
WHETHER DRONES ARE RIGHT FOR THE  
CITY OF BOSTON BEFORE THEY WERE  
PURCHASED. AND ONLY THEN HAVE A  
CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT THE  
POLICY LOOKS LIKE. AND THAT IS  
THE PROCESS WE ARE ASKING FOR,  
TO TAKE US THROUGH ALL OF THESE  
DIFFICULT QUESTIONS AND FRANKLY  
THEY ARE JUST GETTING, TO BE  
MORE OF THESE QUESTIONS AND  
THERE ARE, THEY ARE GOING TO BE  
MORE DIFFICULT, TECHNOLOGY, LIKE  
FACIAL RECOGNITION IS THE  
FUTURE, CERTAINLY.

AND WE REALLY NEED TO MAKE  
DECISIONS NOT ONLY ABOUT HOW  
THOSE TECHNOLOGIES ARE GOING TO  
BE APPLIED IN OUR CITY BUT  
WHETHER THEY WILL BE APPLIED,  
RIGHT?

SO JUST A COUPLE MORE THINGS AND  
THEN I WILL PASS THE MIKE TO  
BEN.

I FOUND IT REALLY TROUBLING WHEN  
DAVID CARABIN OF THE BRIC SAID

THE FBI HAS VERY STRICT RULES THAT GOVERN THEIR INVESTIGATIONS, AFTER 9/11, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CHANGED THE RULES THAT GOVERN FBI INVESTIGATIONS AND NOW FBI AGENTS INCLUDING BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WHO ARE DEPUTIZED AS FEDERAL AGENTS THROUGH THE JOINT TERRORISM TASK FORCE OPERATIONS ARE ALLOWED TO SPY ON YOU, RIFLE THROUGH YOUR TRASH, LOOK YOU UP AND YOUR PHONE NUMBER UP AND EVEN NSA SURVEILLANCE DATABASES, EVEN IF THEY DON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT YOU ARE INVOLVED IN A CRIME.

THESE ARE RULES THAT ARE SKETCHED OUT IN WHAT ARE CALLED THE DOMESTIC INVESTIGATIONS OPERATIONS GUIDELINES, THE -- A SET OF RULES THAT THE FBI PROMULGATES TO GOVERN ITS INVESTIGATIONS.

THAT TYPE OF INVESTIGATION IS WHAT THEY CALL AN ASSESSMENT. I JUST WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR THAT ALL OF THE POST 9/11 POWERS THAT, YOU KNOW, THE FBI HAS ACCUMULATED FOR ITSELF AND NOW BESTOWED ON LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS THROUGH THESE OPERATIONS HAVE NEVER ONCE LED TO, YOU KNOW, STOPPING A TERRORIST ATTACK. CERTAINLY IT DEBT NOT STOP THE BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING, THERE IS NO INDICATION AT ALL THAT ANYTHING BRIC DID COULD HAVE EVEN STOPPED THE BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING AND I THINK THAT IS REALLY AN IMPORTANT POINT HERE.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO FUND ADD STUDY THAT CONCLUDED THAT DATA MINING, USING, YOU KNOW, SORT OF DRAGNET SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGIES WHICH THE BPD DOES, INCLUDING ITS LICENSE PLATE READING TECHNOLOGY THAT DOES NOT USE A WARRANT, DAVID CARABIN AGAIN SAYS WE DON'T CONDUCT SURVEILLANCE

UNLESS WE GET A WARRANT.  
THAT IS FLATLY NOT TRUE, THERE  
ARE CAMERAS ALL OVER THE CITY  
THAT ARE TRACKING PEOPLE ALL THE  
TIME, THE LICENSE PLATE READERS  
TRACK PEOPLE'S DRIVING MOVEMENTS  
WITHOUT WARRANTS, IT IS JUST A  
FACTUALLY INCORRECT STATEMENT.  
BUT DATA MINING OF ALL OF THIS  
MASSIVE -- THESE HORDES OF  
INFORMATION COLLECTED BY THESE  
TECHNOLOGIES, A STUDY SAID A  
NUMBER OF YEARS AGO IS AN  
INEFFECTIVE MEANS OF STOPPING  
TERRORISM, IN OTHER WORDS, IT  
WON'T EVER STOP TERRORISM AND  
THE REASON FOR THAT IS ACTUALLY  
PRETTY STRAIGHTFORWARD. YOU  
KNOW, WITH CREDIT CARD  
REPORTING, AND CREDIT CARD FRAUD  
THERE IS A VERY CLEAR HISTORY OF  
WHAT CREDIT CARD FRAUD LOOKS  
LIKE, THAT'S WHY YOUR CREDIT  
CARD COMPANY CAN USE AN  
ALGORITHM EFFECTIVELY TO  
IDENTIFY WHAT LOOKS LIKE, YOU  
KNOW, RISKY OR UNUSUAL  
PURCHASES. AND THEN THEY TURN  
YOUR CARD OFF AND CALL YOU AND  
SAY WE THINK SOMEONE MAY HAVE  
STOLEN YOUR CARD, TERRORISM IS  
NOT LIKE THAT, THERE IS NO ONE  
PATH THAT -- THERE IS NO PATTERN  
THAT YOU CAN SEE THROUGH  
SOMEONE'S COMMUNICATIONS,  
RECORDS OR THROUGH SOMEONE'S  
RECORDS OF WHAT THEY BOUGHT AND  
WHERE THEY WENT AND WHO THEY  
WERE WITH, BECAUSE THANKFULLY IT  
IS AN INCREDIBLY RARE ACT AND  
THERE IS NO PATTERN.  
THE FBI HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT AS  
MUCH. TWO BLUE RIBBON PRESIDENT  
JULY COMMISSIONS COMMISSIONED BY  
PRESIDENT OBAMA AFTER THE  
SNOWDEN REVELATIONS CONFIRM THAT  
ALL OF THE NSA'S DRAGNET  
SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMS NEVER ONCE  
APTED TO ANY USEFUL INTELLIGENCE  
IN TERMS OF STOPPING EITHER  
DOMESTIC OR INTERNATIONAL  
TERRORISM.  
SO THE IDEA THAT THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE ABLE

TO STOP TERRORISM USING ALL OF THIS SURVEILLANCE DATA THAT THE NSA CANNOT FIND TO BE A STRETCH.

SO I WILL SAY ONE MORE THING THAT IS, AS FAR AS THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT'S OWN RULES PERTAINING TO WHAT IT CAN DO WITH THE INFORMATION IT COLLECTS ABOUT US, I REALLY URGE THE COUNCIL THROUGH THIS PROCESS TO TAKE A VERY CLOSE LOOK AT THOSE RULES.

THE BOSTON REGIONAL INTELLIGENCEABLE CENTER, THE FUSION CENTER THAT DAVID CARABIN RUNS IS, ALL OF THE DATA THEY COLLECT IS GOVERNED BY WHAT THEY CALL PRIVACY POLICY WHICH TO MESA STRANGE NAME FOR IT BECAUSE IT REALLY PROVIDES VERY LITTLE, IF NO PRIVACY PROTECTIONS FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE MONITORED BY FOLKS AT THE BR EACH C USING THEIR TECHNOLOGY, SPECIFICALLY IT, LIKE THE FBI'S ASSESSMENT POWER AUTHORIZES BRICK AND FOLKS WHO WORK THERE TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS OF PEOPLE EVEN WHEN THEY ARE NOT SUSPECTED OF ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. THAT IS A REAL PROBLEM. IN A FREE SOCIETY, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT BE IN YOUR BUSINESS, IF IT DOESN'T HAVE A REALLY GOOD REASON, RIGHT IN SO THAT POLICY OUGHT TO BE CHANGED. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, KATE. WE ARE HAVING A REALLY GREAT CONVERSATION AND THE CLAPPING IS IS A BIT DISTRACTING WE ARE WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME TEAM. LET'S ACT LIKE ADULTS AND MOVE FORWARD.

>> THANK YOU TO THE CITY COUNCIL FOR HOLDING THIS HEARING, EVERYONE WHO IS OUT HERE LISTENING TO IT AND ESPECIALLY TO MY FELLOW PANELISTS FOR BEING A PART OF THIS CONVERSATION. THIS HEARING COULD NOT BE

TIMELIER, TECHNOLOGIES,  
MASSIVELY EXPAND THE  
GOVERNMENT'S ABILITY TO WATCH  
OVER THE PUBLIC AND WHETHER WE  
RECOGNIZE IT OR NOT, THE, THE  
TECHNOLOGIES WE IMPLEMENT TODAY  
WILL PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN  
DEFINING THE SOCIAL CONTRACT OF  
THE NEXT CENTURY. FOR THE PAST  
SEVERAL YEARS I HAVE STUDIED HOW  
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ACROSS THE  
COUNTRY ACQUIRE AND USE NEW  
TECHNOLOGY BUT HAVE FOCUSED IN  
BOSTON.

I EVEN HAD THE FORTUNE TO WORK  
HERE IN CITY HALL FOR A YEAR AS  
PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
INNOVATION ON TECHNOLOGY AND ON  
MANY ACCOUNTS BOSTON IS AT THE  
FOREFRONT OF THE MOVEMENT OF  
WHAT MANY PEOPLE CALL SMART  
CITIES.

BUT WHEN IT COMES TO TAKING  
RESPONSIBLE STEPS TO PROTECT  
PRIVACY, BOSTON HAS FALLEN  
BEHIND.

WHILE CITIES LIKE SEATTLE AND  
OAKLAND HAVE PASSED WIDE-RANGING  
ORDINANCES THAT GOVERN THE  
MUNICIPAL USE OF SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY BOSTON HAS A --  
ENACTING THE SURVEILLANCE  
ORDINANCES THAT PROVIDE  
TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC  
OVERSIGHT 0 OF NEW TECHNOLOGY IS  
ANY MY MIND THE POST IMPORTANT  
STEP WE CAN TAKE TO ENSURE THAT  
THE CITIES OF THE 21ST CENTURY  
PROMOTE LIBERTY AND EQUITY.  
IT IS URGENT THAT BOSTON DEVELOP  
POLICIES THAT COMPREHENSIVE  
HISTORICAL, COMPREHENSIVELY,  
FAIL TO ACCOUNT FOR TODAY'S  
REALITY OF SURVEILLANCE AND THE  
FORMS OF SURVEILLANCE COMING  
DOWN THE ROAD IN THE FUTURE WILL  
RENDER A SURVEILLANCE ORDINANCE  
IMPOTENT. I URGE THE COUNCIL IN  
PARTICULAR TO MAKE SURE THAT WE  
EMPHASIZE SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY AND IN PARTICULAR  
SURVEILLANCE SOFTWARE IN  
ADDITION TO SIMPLY SURVEILLANCE  
EQUIPMENT.

WE CAN LEARN FOR EXAMPLE FROM SEATTLE WHICH INITIALLY LIMITED PURCHASES OF NEW EQUIPMENT AND DID NOT COVER SOFTWARE.

YET UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS BILL THE SEATTLE POLICE A WERE ABLE TO USE -- A SOFTWARE SERVICE THAT COLLECTS AND ANALYZES SOCIAL MEDIA DATA WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC.

AND GIVING THAT TO BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT A SIMILARLY HAS USED IT FOR SEVERAL YEARS IN THE PAST WITHOUT NOTIFYING EVEN CITY COUNCIL, IT IS CLEAR THAT WE ARE PRONE TO REPEAT THE MISTAKES OF SEATTLE IF WE DO NOT PROACTIVELY EMPHASIZE TECHNOLOGY, AS OUR FOCUS AND NOT FOCUS SOLELY ON EQUIPMENT. IT IS ALSO ESSENTIAL THAT PUBLIC OVERSIGHT BE APPLIED TO THE POLICIES THAT GOVERN SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY. THE ORDINANCE MUST ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO COLLECTIVELY SHAPE THE ANSWERS TO THREE CENTRAL QUESTIONS.

NUMBER ONE, HOW WILL THE DATA BE USED?

THE ORDINANCE MUST COVER ALGORITHMS THAT ANALYZE THE DATA COLLECTED BY SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT OR SCRAPED FROM SOCIAL MEDIA FEEDS OR ANY ALEXANDRA OLIVER-DAVILA RHYTHMS THAT EVENTUALLY GET PUT IN PLACE FOR THIS PURPOSE, FROM GEO VIDEO TO POLICING ALGORITHMS, THE PRACTICE OF SURVEILLANCE RELIES MORE ON MACHINE ALGORITHMS THAT CAN BE INACCURATE AND BIASED RATHER THAN SOLELY ON THE COLLECTION OF DATA ITSELF.

NUMBER 2, WHERE WILL THE DATA GO AND WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO IT, TO IT?

GIVING GIVEN THE EGREGIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS PERPETRATED BY ICE WE MUST SHAHABLE MAKE SURE IT CAN'T FIND ITS WAY TO FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT. NUMBER 3, HOW WILL THE TECHNOLOGY EVOLVE?

WE NEED TO FUTURE PROOF THE FUTURE ORDINANCE AND REQUIRE

OVERSIGHT OF SOFTWARE UPDATES  
THAT ALTER TECHNOLOGIES  
ABILITIES FOR SURVEILLANCE.  
OTHERWISE, A TECHNOLOGY APPROVED  
IN ONE FORM OR PERHAPS NOT EVEN  
CONSIDERED SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY WHEN PURCHASED CAN  
EVOLVE INTO ITS RULE FOR  
UNWARRANTED SURVEILLANCE AS  
SOFTWARE IS UPDATED.

FOR EXAMPLE, BODY CAMERA  
MANUFACTURERS ARE DEVELOPING  
FACIAL RECOGNITION SOFTWARE  
WHICH WOULD FUNDAMENTALLY CHANGE  
BODY CAMERAS INTO A FAR MORE  
PERVASIVE TOOL FOR SURVEILLANCE  
AND ALLOW POLICE TO TRACK  
PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS AND IDENTIFY  
INDIVIDUALS IN CROWDS. I  
APPLAUD THE CITY COUNCIL'S  
INITIATIVE IN HOLDING THIS  
HEARING AND THE PUBLIC'S SHOWING  
UP IN SUCH LARGE NUMBERS HERE  
TODAY.

ULTIMATELY, THIS IS NOT A DEBATE  
ABOUT BEING FOR OR AGAIN AGAINST  
INNOVATION, OR TECH HOLLING, IT  
IS ABOUT FACILITATING THE  
INNOVATION THAT CITY RESIDENTS  
WANT AND MOST NEED.

AFTER ALL BEING A SMART CITY  
MEANS MORE THAN JUST USING  
TECHNOLOGY WHEREVER POSSIBLE.  
IT MEANS BEING SMART ENOUGH TO  
ACCOMPLISH OUR POLICY GOALS WITH  
THE AID OF TECHNOLOGY BUT  
WITHOUT VIOLATING PUBLIC  
EXPECTATIONS OR RIGHTS. BY  
WORKING TO ENFORCE STRONGER  
PUBLIC OVERSIGHT OF SURVEILLANCE  
TECHNOLOGY, BOSTON CAN HELP  
ENSURE THAT NEW .. IS --  
RESIDENT VALUES AND IMPROVES  
DAILY LIFE.

>> THANK YOU, THANK YOU VERY  
MUCH, BEN FOR THAT INFORMATION.  
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR MCCARTHY  
AND THANK ALL OF YOU FOR BEING  
HERE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
TESTIMONY.  
I DIDN'T TAKE DOWN ANY NAMES BUT

I WROTE DOWN THE NUMBER YOU HAD  
25 SIGNATURES AND WITH 25 --

>> 95.

>> 95 THAT'S WHY I ASK, I  
APPRECIATE YOUR ADVOCACY AND  
YOUR SUPPORT FOR. THIS I KNOW  
YOUR ORGANIZATION SO WELL, I  
USED TO REPRESENT YOUNG PEOPLE  
AT THE PROJECT AT YAD AND GET  
CLIENTS FROM YOU GUYS OR SEND  
THEM TO YOU SO THANK YOU FOR THE  
WORK YOU DO FOR OUR YOUNG 0  
PEOPLE.

IT USUALLY DOESN'T GO RECOGNIZE.  
BEN THANK YOU A FOR BEING HERE  
AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND  
KATE THANK YOU FOR THE CONTINUED  
ADVOCACY, I AM -- I HAVE TO RUN  
TO, I AM A KEYNOTE AT A PROGRAM  
IN ROXBURY, ACTUALLY WITH POKES  
ADDRESSING VIOLENCE IN OUR  
COMMUNITY AND ACTUALLY WE ARE  
HONORING THOSE FOLKS WHO DO IT  
EVERY SINGLE DAY SO I HAVE TO  
RUN TO THAT BUT OBVIOUSLY WE  
MADE IT CLEAR THAT THIS HAS TO  
BE A SERIES OF CONVERSATIONS TO  
GET TO A POLICY THAT WE PUT  
FORTH BEFORE THE COUNCIL AND  
THAT WE SEEK VOTES ON, WE HAVE  
BEEN TALKING ABOUT THIS A LITTLE  
WHILE NOW SO I AM EXCITED TO BE  
A PART OF THIS, TO MOVE THIS  
FORWARD, AND NOT TO WASTE  
ANYMORE TIME, TO THE EXTENT WE  
GET THE LIST OF TECHNOLOGY,  
SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY AND  
EVERYTHING TO US, WE CAN HAPPILY  
SHARE THAT WITH ALL OF YOU SO WE  
ARE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE ABOUT  
THE SCOPE OF THE ISSUE, AND HOW  
WE ADDRESS IT.

I WILL ADD ONE OF THE THINGS  
THAT DID NOT COME UP TODAY  
INASMUCH DETAIL AS IT PROBABLY  
SHOULD HAVE IS THE WAY IN WHICH  
WE ARE MONITORING OUR STUDENTS.  
I USED TO REPRESENT STUDENTS IN  
OUR SCHOOLS, AND A LOT OF  
DISCIPLINE CASES, SPECIAL NEEDS  
CASES, SOMETIMES A COMBINATION  
OF BOTH, AND THESE ARE YOUNG



PEOPLE THAT ARE ARRESTED IN THE  
SCHOOLS AND OF COURSE THAT  
INFORMATION GOES SOMEWHERE.  
AND FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE IN  
FEAR OF POSSIBLY BEING DEPORTED,  
WE ARE FINDING OUT THAT THIS  
INFORMATION MAY NOT BE BEING  
USED IN A GOOD WAY.  
AND SO THERE ARE FOLKS HERE THAT  
WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT,  
CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE LEFT  
INCREDIBLE EVIDENCE WE NEED TO  
DO BETTER, SO THAT, OF COURSE,  
HAS TO CONTINUE TO BE A PART OF  
THE CONVERSATION AS WELL.  
ESPECIALLY GIVEN WHAT IS COMING  
OUT OF WASHINGTON AND WHAT WE  
ARE SEEING IN THE SOUTHERN  
STATES AND THE BORDER STATES.  
SO I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE  
THAT, AND ALEJANDRA, THANK YOU  
FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO FOR OUR  
CONSTITUENTS ON BEHALF OF THE  
CITY OF BOSTON. BUT I WANTED TO  
ACKNOWLEDGE THAT BECAUSE THIS IS  
ALSO A BIG PIECE OF WHAT WE ARE  
TALKING ABOUT. SO CONSIDER ME A  
PARTNER IN THE WORK.  
I AM ALL FOR DEVELOPING AN  
ACTUAL WRITTEN POLICY THAT  
ENSURES THAT THERE IS A PROCESS  
THAT GOVERNS THIS, AND THAT  
MAKES ROOM FOR THIS IDEA THAT  
THERE IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE NEW  
TECHNOLOGY AND NONE OF IT IS TO  
SAY WE DON'T WANT THE DEPARTMENT  
TO HAVE THE BEST TOOLS TO SOLVE  
CRIMES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.  
BUT HOW DO WE STRIKE THAT  
BALANCE?  
AND I THINK WE HAVE DONE THAT  
WELL WITH SOME TECHNOLOGY BUT  
MOST OF IT PROBABLY NOT.  
SO I AM EXCITED TO BE A PARTNER  
IN THIS WORK.  
THANK YOU, GUYS, AND THANK YOU  
TO COUNCILOR WU AND COUNCILOR  
MCCARTHY, WHO ARE ALSO PARTNERS  
IN THIS AND I THINK THIS IS A  
POWERFUL PICTURE HERE TOO. WE  
HAVE WOMEN BUT WE ALSO HAVE 0  
COUNCILOR MCCARTHY.

>> WE LOVE HIM.

[LAUGHTER.]

>> AND I WILL SAY WE OFTEN DON'T ACKNOWLEDGE, THE PEOPLE ARE SO EXCITED, BOSTON CITY COUNCIL, SIX WOMEN, WHOOPI BUT WE HAVE A MALE COLLEAGUES WHO CARE ABOUT THIS TOO WHO LIVE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE CITY AND BORN AND RAISED IN THE CITY AND KNOWS IT IMPACTS PEOPLE IN A DIFFERENT CITY BASED ON THEIR AGE OR RACE AND I APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN THIS AS WELL THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE FOLKS AS WELL. I WILL LOOK AT PUBLIC TESTIMONY ONLINE. THIS IS RECORDED AND I DO PAY ATTENTION TO IT. AND ONE OF MY TEAM MEMBERS IS HERE TO WATCH THE WHOLE HEARING SO THANK YOU, GUYS.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR CAMPBELL, COUNCILOR WU.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. AND THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, I WANT TO THANK KATE AND BEN, YOU HAVE DEVOTED YOUR LIFE'S WORK TO THIS NOW AND I HAVE LEARNED SO MUCH AND ESPECIALLY TO MY -- AND JAMIE AS VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE COMING FORWARD AND SHARING YOUR STORIES AND YOUR PERSPECTIVES AND YOUR ADVICE AND WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE HERE IN THIS SEAT AS AN INDIVIDUAL BUT BRINGING WITH YOU THE EXPERIENCES AND STORIES OF, EVEN BEYOND YOUR, EVEN BEYOND KNOWS OF 95 WHO WERE WILLING TO SIGN. MY QUESTION IS GETTING TO THE POINT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT LANGUAGE OF AN ORDINANCE, BECAUSE IT SEEMED THAT THIS WAS A PRETTY GOOD CONSENSUS THAT FOLKS WERE WILLING TO ENGAGE AND MOVE ON ON TO NEXT STEPS. HAVE YOU -- SO, EITHER GENERALLY, WHAT DO YOU THINK SHOULD GO INTO AN ORDINANCE AND IN PARTICULAR,

IF YOU ARE FAMILIAR,  
PARTICULARLY, IF YOU HAVE LOOKED  
AT OTHER CITIES, ARE THERE BITS  
WITHIN THE ACLU'S MODEL  
OVERSIGHT ORDINANCE THAT YOU  
THINK BOSTON SHOULD TWEAK OR HOW  
DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THAT AS A  
STARTING POINT?

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>> WELL, I WORKED FOR THE ACLU,  
I THINK IT IS GREAT.  
I THINK THE ACLU ORDINANCE IS  
GREAT.  
I DO THINK AT THE SAME TIME  
THAT, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HEARD A  
LOT OF ISSUES, YOU KNOW, FOLKS  
THAT WE HAVE TALKED TO OVER THE  
PAST YEAR WHEN WE HAVE BEEN BASE  
BUILDING AND GOING OUT INTO  
DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COMMUNITY  
TO SPEAK TO YOUNG PEOPLE AND  
PEOPLE ALL OVER THE CITY ABOUT  
WHAT CONCERNS THEM WITH RESPECT  
TO SURVEILLANCE AND POLICING,  
AND WE HAVE HEARD A LOT THAT  
GOES FRANK HE BEYOND ISSUES  
RELATED TO OVERSIGHT OF  
TECHNOLOGY SPECIFICALLY, WE HAVE  
HEARD, YOU KNOW, A LOT ABOUT THE  
GANG DATABASE, I THINK COUNCILOR  
CAMPBELL WAS JUST REFERENCING  
HOW INFORMATION CAN SORT OF LEAK  
INTO THE HANDS OF ICE AND HOW  
THAT CAN END UP GETTING FOLKS  
DEPORTED.  
SO, YOU KNOW,, I THINK THAT THE  
ACLU MODEL ORDINANCE AND  
CERTAIN, IS CERTAINLY A GOOD  
STARTING POINT, THERE HAVE BEEN  
COMMUNITIES AS BEN SAID FROM  
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA TO SEATTLE,  
WASHINGTON, EVEN TENNESSEE,  
COMMUNITY IN TENNESSEE PASSED AN  
ORDINANCE LIKE THAT, CAMBRIDGE,  
MASSACHUSETTS IS VERY CLOSE  
RIGHT NOW TO PASSING ONE THAT IS  
PRETTY SIMILAR TO THE ACLU  
MODEL.  
BUT ALSO PROVIDENCE, RHODE  
ISLAND HAS, AFTER ABOUT FIVE  
YEARS OF STRONG PUSH FROM A HUGE  
COALITION OF YOUTH AND YOUTH OF

COLOR, ORGANIZERS IN PROVIDENCE, WERE ABLE TO PASS A REALLY COMPREHENSIVE, MUCH BROADER ORDINANCE THAT DEALS WITH TECHNOLOGY AND THE POLICIES THAT GOVERN THE TECHNOLOGY, BUT ALSO INCLUDES NEW LIMITS ON HOW LAW ENFORCEMENT CAN IDENTIFY YOUNG PEOPLE AS GANG AFFILIATED, GRANTS YOUNG PEOPLE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ABOUT THEMSELVES WHEN IT IS HELD BY THE POLICE. GRANTS PEOPLE THE POWER TO ASK FOR A RECEIPT WHEN THEY GET STOPPED BY THE POLICE THAT SAYS WHY THEY WERE STOPPED AND SO THOSE ARE THINGS THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT TOO.

OBVIOUSLY, THE SAUSAGE MAKINGS PROCESS IS COMPLICATED AND THERE ARE A LOT OF VOICES INVOLVED, BUT I DON'T NECESSARILY WANT TO LIMIT OURSELVES ONLY TO THE SUBJECT OF TECHNOLOGY, MERELY BECAUSE WE HAVE HEARD OVERWHELMINGLY FROM FOLKS ALL ACROSS THE CITY THAT WHILE THAT IS AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT ISSUE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER ISSUES THAT FOLKS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT AS WELL.

>> AND I WOULD JUST BRIEFLY ADD A COUPLE OF POINTS. ONE, THAT SORT OF AS KATE MENTIONED WE ARE SORT OF FORTUNATE HERE IN THE SENSE THAT MANY OTHER CITIES DO HAVE THESE ORDINANCES AND SO WE HAVE A LOT OF LANGUAGE TO DRAW AND NOT STARTING FROM SCRATCH IN TERMS OF AT LEAST GETTING A FIRST DRAFT AND SOMETHING TO WORK OFF OF, BUT I THINK AS I MENTIONED, IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT ANY BILL REALLY THINKS ABOUT TECHNOLOGY, VERY BROADLY DEFINED, AND DOESN'T JUST THINK ABOUT ONE PARTICULAR TYPE OF EQUIPMENT OR ONE PARTICULAR TYPE OF ALGORITHM BUT THINKS ABOUT TECHNOLOGY AS AN ONGOING PROCESS OF USE AND ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT THAT INVOLVES,

EVOLVES OFTEN PRETTY RAPIDLY AND CAN BE SEEMINGLY OUT OF THE CITY'S HANDS THAT MIGHT, YOU KNOW, BE A DEVELOPMENT THAT A TECHNOLOGY MANUFACTURER MAKES. WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW ARE WE MAKING CONTRACTS WITH VENDORS OF BODY CAMERAS OR OTHER SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY AND HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT EVEN AS THAT TECHNOLOGY EVOLVES FROM THEIR PREROGATIVE AND THEIR BUSINESS INTERESTS THAT WE ARE NOT GOING, STUMBLING DOWN A PATH OF -- TOWARDS SURVEILLANCE THAT WE NEVER INTENDED TO BET INTO IN THE FIRST PLACE, AND WE ARE NOT ABLE TO CONTROL HOW WE USE THE TECHNOLOGY AS IT DEVELOPS. AND EVEN THINKING ABOUT OUR USE OF DATABASES, HOW WE ARE MANAGING DATABASES THAT IS AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT FORM OF TECHNOLOGY, MANY CITIES WE SEE HAVE THESE GANG DATABASES, IT SOUNDS LIKE BOTH BOSTON IS INCLUDED IN THAT AND OFTEN THOSE, YOU KNOW, ARE NOT FROM SOME DRAGNET SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY THAT IS TRACKING EVERYONE IN THE STREET BUT IT IS COMING FROM THESE FIOD KIND OF MANUAL INTERACTIONS THAT ARE HAPPENING ON THE STREET AND THOSE ARE GETTING BUILT UP OVERTIME INTO A MASSIVE DATABASE THAT THEN CAN BE USED FOR ALL SORTS OF SURVEILLANCE AND PROACTIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT. SO WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT THAT, JUST AS MUCH AS A SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY AS, YOU KNOW, CAMERAS AND SENSORS IN THE STREET.

>> I HAVE ONE QUICK QUESTION TO KATE.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

IN YOUR OPENING STATEMENT YOU TALKED ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LOCAL POLICE, ICE, FBI, STATE TROOPERS, EVEN, WHAT IS THE RELATION SHINE WITH PROVIDENCE?

DO YOU KNOW, DID YOU GET INTO

THAT AT ALL?

I CAN DO MY OWN RESEARCH BUT IF YOU KNOW, SAVE ME SOME TIME.

>> WHETHER OR NOT PROVIDENCE IS ON THE GPDS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, YES, I THINK THEY ARE. I AM NOT SURE THE PROVIDENCE ORDINANCE ADDRESSED THAT I WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT THAT AGAIN. I CAN GET BACK TO YOU.

>> I CAN DO THE HOMEWORK, NO PROBLEM.

>> I APPRECIATE EVER COMING AND BIKES NOT BOMBS I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH YOU GUYS SINCE 1997 WHEN I RAN THE SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM, 0 SO THAT IS A COUPLE OF YEARS, SO YOU GUYS REALLY DO GOOD WORK, SO THANKS VERY MUCH ALL FOR COMING HERE.

>> SO WE DO HAVE A LARGE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SPEAK. WE ARE GOING TO KEEP IT TIGHT. I HAVE GOT MY PHONE OUT WITH MY LITTLE ALARM CLOCK HERE. SO WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO IS, WE WILL GIVE EVERYBODY ABOUT A MINUTE AND A HALF AND THEN I WILL GIVE YOU A LITTLE TAP THE MIKE A LITTLE BIT AND GIVE YOU A WAVE AND KIND OF WRAP IT UP, WITH HAVE A HOT OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SPEAK, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM EVERYBODY WHO WAITED AND HAD THE PATIENCE TO WAIT. SO I AM GOING TO CALL, WE HAVE TWO STATIONS TO SPEAK AT, WE HAVE A STATION HERE AND A STATION THERE.

I DON'T CAN LINE UP ANYWHERE YOU WANT, WHAT I WILL DO IS CALL OUT, I WILL CALL OUT A BUNCH OF NAMES AND GET IN THE CUE AND THAT WAY WE CAN ROLL THROUGH RIGHT AND AGAIN THE RULES ARE, PLEASE GIVE YOUR NAME, AND YOUR AFFILIATION, YOU KNOW, NOT YOUR ADDRESS BUT THE TOWN YOU LIVE IN AND YOUR AFFILIATION AND YOU CAN GET RIGHT INTO YOUR TESTIMONY,

SO YES.  
IF YOU ARE NOT HERE, THEN YOU  
WON'T BE IN LINE, APPARENTLY.  
SO WE ARE GOING -- WE WILL HAVE  
JUDY, FATIMA, MALLORY, LIZA,  
JOE, AND BEN.  
JOE AND I SHOULD HAVE SAID THAT  
JOE CADILLAC.  
THERE IS ONLY ONE JOE CADILLAC.  
I ALREADY READ YOUR TESTIMONY.

>> YOU HAVE TO READ FAST. I  
READ YOUR TESTIMONY.  
YOU GET THAT IN A MINUTE THAT IS  
AMAZING.

>> CAN YOU DO IT?

>> ALL RIGHT.  
ALL RIGHT.  
WELL, WE MIGHT AS WELL HAVE FUN  
WHILE WE ARE HERE.

>> AND GALLERIA AND FIOR AND  
JENNIFER AND ALEX AND TAYLOR.  
ALL RIGHT.  
SO WE GET ALL LINED UP AND WHEN  
YOU ARE READY, LET HER RIP.

>> HELLO MY NAME IS FALLA AHKMED  
AND WORK AT THE JUSTICE LEAGUE,  
THIS IS SEPARATE FROM OUR  
WRITTEN TESTIMONY WE SUBMITTED.  
I AM HERE TODAY BECAUSE I WORK  
WITH MANY SOMALI YOUTH WHO FEEL  
REPERCUSSIONS AS THEY SEEK THEIR  
TRUTH ABOUT HOW THEY ARE  
POLICED.  
WHEN ASKED ABOUT THEIR  
INTERACTIONS WITH THE POLICE,  
THE YOUTH HAVE SAID THAT THEY  
ENCOUNTER POLICE IN EVERY PART  
OF THEIR DAY, WHETHER WATCHING  
THEM IN SCHOOL AS THEY STUDY,  
MONITORING THEM FROM AN UNMARKED  
CAR AS THEY WALK HOME AND HOPING  
SHOWING UP IN THEIR AFTER SCHOOL  
ACTIVITIES BY COUNTERING EXTREME  
MITCHELL, THE CD E PROGRAM THAT  
THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IS  
PARTICIPATING IN CALLED YOUTH  
AND POLICE INITIATIVE LOCAL  
SOMALI YOUTH NEED TO STEPPED  
TIME WITH OFFICERS BECAUSE THEY

ARE ALL ON A PATH TO VIOLENCE  
AND SOMEHOW A DIALOGUE WITH  
POLICE OFFICERS WILL CHANGE  
THAT.

>> A KEY TENANT OF THE TRAINING  
IS THAT UNDERNEATH THE ANTIPATHY  
AND MISS TRUST YOUTH HAVE FOR  
POLICE THERE IS ALSO A CURIOUS  
ATTRACTION TO THEIR POWER AND  
ABILITY ABILITY TO USE IT, THEY  
ARE ENTICED BY THEIR CAPACITY TO  
CARRY WEAPONS, THEIR LOYALTY AND  
ALMOST GANG LIKE DRESS CODE, END  
QUOTE.

>> I DOUBT THAT PARTICIPATING  
YOUTH ARE SHOWN THAT QUOTE, OR  
KNOW THAT THIS IS FUNNED BY THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.  
WHEN YOUTH DO READ ABOUT THIS  
PROGRAM, THEY HAVE ASKED WHY  
CAN'T WE GET \$500,000 FOR OUR  
COMMUNITY TO USE IT AS WE LIKE,  
PER SE, A COMMUNITY STERN RATHER  
THAN A LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM  
THAT ASSUMES WE ARE ALL  
ATTRACTED TO VIOLENCE, AS  
SOMEONE WHO USED TO DEVELOP  
TECHNOLOGY I KNOW THAT THE  
IMPACT OF TECHNOLOGY IS  
DEPENDENT ON THE USER SO AS  
SOMEONE WHO WITNESSES THE POLICE  
HARASSING MY NEIGHBORS ON HUMBLE  
AVE REGULARLY AND KNOWING IN  
201670 PARTICIPANT OF THE PEOPLE  
IN BPD STOP AND FRISKS WERE  
BLACK I KNOW THAT ANY TECHNOLOGY  
THEY ACCESS WILL INCREASE THE  
RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PROVIDING  
WE ALREADY EXPERIENCE, WE ARE  
NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT  
TECHNOLOGY TODAY BECAUSE  
SURVEILLANCE MEANS ANY TYPE OF  
MONITORING DONE BY LAW  
ENFORCEMENT WITH OR WITHOUT THE  
ASSISTANCE OF TECHNOLOGY.  
WE DESERVE TO KNOW TALKED  
TECHNOLOGY, THROUGHING EQUIPMENT  
AND SOFTWARE AS WELL AS  
PRACTICES OF MONITORING THE  
COMMUNITY THAT BPD USED, RATHER  
THAN FINDING OUT AFTER THE FACT  
THAT THEY FLEW DRONES IN JAMAICA



PLAIN AND HASHTAG BLACK LIVES  
MATTER, RESIDENTS DESERVE 0 TO  
KNOW IF THEY ARE IN A GANG  
DATABASE AND HOW TO GET OUT OF  
IT AND WE DESERVE RESOURCES THAT  
ARE NOT TIED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT  
IN AN ASSUMPTION WE ARE ALL  
POTENTIAL CRIMINALS.

WE DESERVE TO MOVE FREELY  
THROUGH SCHOOLS ON OUR STREETS  
AND ACCESS SOCIAL SERVICES WITH  
DIGNITY.

AS RESIDENT OF DORCHESTER I  
WOULD LIKE SEE THE CITY OF  
BOSTON REGULATING THE BPD BY  
INSTITUTING EXPLICIT POLICIES TO  
END RACIAL PROFILING, PROHIBIT  
PARTICIPATING IN CDE STYLE  
PROGRAMS, END THE GANG DATABASE  
AND PREVENTING ANY FUTURE  
PURCHASE OR USE OF WEAPONS AND  
TECHNOLOGY WITHOUT AN ACCEPTABLE  
PUBLIC PROCESS THAT ENGAGES  
COMMUNITIES OF COLOR.

A MEANINGFUL NEXT STEP WOULD BE  
TO PROVIDE AN INVENTORY OF ALL  
CURRENT EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE,  
INFORMATION SHARING PRACTICES  
AND POLICIES FOR CONDUCTING  
FIELD INTERROGATION OBSERVATIONS  
FROM BOTH THE BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AND THE BOSTON  
REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> YES, SIR.

>> CHAIRMAN MCCARTHY, MEMBERS OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL, THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR TIME TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO  
TALK ABOUT THE SURVEILLANCE  
EQUIPMENT THAT THE CITY OF  
BOSTON IS PLANNING ON USING.  
MY NAME IS JOE CADILLAC, A  
DORCHESTER RESIDENT AND FORMER  
PRIVATE INVESTIGATE FOR. THE I  
AM HERE TODAY BECAUSE I AM  
CONCERNED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL  
INFRINGEMENT AND PRIVACY  
VIOLATIONS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES  
BY LAW ENFORCEMENT.  
THE BOSTON POLICE COMMUNITY CAM  
SHARE PROGRAM BEING PILOTED IN

DORCHESTER AND THE BOSTON POLICE LICENSE PLATE READER PROGRAM SHOULD HAVE RESIDENTS, BUSINESS OWNERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR PRIVACY. THE PROGRAMS CAN START OUT AT INNOCUOUS AS ACTING BUSINESSES TO VOLUNTEER INTO THE PROGRAM, BUT AS THE CASE I MENTIONED EARLIER OR I SHOULD SAY I HAD HERE IN FEBRUARY OF 2018 IN SAGINAW, MICHIGAN IT WENT FROM VOLUNTARY TO MANDATORY WHEN THE SAGINAW CITY COUNCIL PASSED AN ORDINANCE FORCING BUSINESSES TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL CAMERAS THAT COST THE BUSINESSES. THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL HAS BEEN WORKING TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR BUSINESSES TO OPERATE IN BOSES BUT THE BPT CAM SHARE PROGRAM IN WOULD HAVE THE OPPOSITE EFFECT ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU COMBINE THE BOSTON TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AND POLICE STATE READER PROGRAMS TOGETHER.

ALL OF THESE PROGRAMS, LICENSE PLATE READER PROGRAMS CAN AND ARE BEING SHARED WITHOUT A WARRANT BY POLICE DEPARTMENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

BUSINESS OWNERS MAY FIND A DROP IN VISITORS IN SALES AS TOURISTS AND RESIDENTS REALIZE THEY ARE UNDER CONSTANT CITY WIDE SURVEILLANCE.

LAST MONTH THE "BOSTON GLOBE" REVEALED THE BPD STARTED THEIR LISTENS LICENSE STATE PROGRAM OR RESTARTED THEIR LICENSE PLATE PROGRAM AGAIN, THAT COMMISSIONER EVANS SAID WE WERE COLLECTING SO MUCH DATA WE WEREN'T EVEN SURE WHAT WE WERE COLLECTING, HONESTLY THAT STATEMENT THERE ALONE IS CAUSE FOR CONCERN. WE SHOULD BE WORKING TO REDUCE CRIME IN NEIGHBORHOODS SUCH AS DORCHESTER BY INVOLVING THE COMMUNITY IN A MEANINGFUL WAY INSTEAD OF HAVING BOSTON THE REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER, WHICH IS FUNDED BY DHS RUNNING A CITY WIDE SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM.

BOSTON IS A SANCTUARY CITY SO WE NEED TO ACT LIKE ONE, NOT ADD TO THE GROWING FEAR OF OUR LARGE IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE COMMUNITY. PREVIOUSLY, BRICK RAN A SOCIAL MEDIA PROGRAM WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM THIS BODY. LET'S STOP THEM OR ANY OTHER AGENCY FROM DOING THAT IN THE FUTURE.

I URGE THE CITY COUNCIL TO CREATE AN OVERSIGHT COMMUNITY MADE UP OF RESIDENTS, PRIVACY ADVOCATES AND COMMUNITY LEADERS TO PROTECT OUR CITIZEN CASH OUR CITIZEN'S CIVIL RIGHTS, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, I AM 0 FOR TWO FOR KEEPING PEOPLE UNDER TWO MINUTES. SO HERE WE GO. YES, SIR.

>> YES. MY NAME IS MARK, LIZA HAD TO LEAVE AND ASKED ME TO READ HER TESTIMONY ON BEHALF TO THE ORGANIZATION JEWISH VOICES FOR PEACE, BOSTON.

>> THERE IS A WELL DOCUMENTED RIGHT WING STRATEGY OF PITTING U.S. YOUTHS AGAINST PEOPLE OF COLOR, BASED ON A FALSE AND HATEFUL NARRATIVE THAT MUSLIM ARAB AND BLACK AMERICANS POSE A THREAT TO JEWISH SAFETY BUT WE KNOW BOSTON'S JEWISH COMMUNITY IS MULTIRACIAL AND IN DEEP RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS. JEWISH SAFETY IS INTERCONNECTED WITH THE SAFETY OF ALL BOSTONIANS, AND AS A WHITE JEW I AM CALLED TO SPEAK OUT FOR MY FRIENDS AND FRIENDS OF COLOR WHETHER JEWISH, MUSLIM OR OTHERWISE. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT BPD'S POWER TO STOP, SURVEIL, RECORD, TRACK, AND SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT RESIDENTS AND WE SUPPORT THE RIGHT OF COMMUNITIES OF

COLOR TO CONTROL WHAT  
SURVEILLANCE POLICIES AND  
TECHNOLOGIES IMPACT THEM.  
I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPACT  
OF RACIST POLICING ON MUSLIM  
BOSTONIANS, PARTICULARLY BLACK  
MUSLIMS.

BPD PARTICIPATES IN IN A FEDERAL  
COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM  
PROGRAM THAT CLAIMS TO PREVENT  
RADICAL STATION BUT ACTUALLY  
DISCRIMINATES AND SURVEILS THE  
MUSLIM COMMUNITIES. BPD'S  
PROGRAM IS CALLED YOUTH AND  
POLICE INITIATIVE PLUS, YPIP AND  
IT TARGETS SOMALI YOUNG PEOPLE,  
RELYING ON DEBUNKED THEORIES  
THAT NORMAL RELIGIOUS PRACTICES  
OR ADOLESCENT -- LEAD TO  
VIOLENCE.

>> BPD PARTICIPATES IN FEDERAL  
INVESTIGATIONS WITH THE JOINT  
TERRORISM TASK FORCE, CURRENT  
BPD POLICY ALLOWS PEOPLE TO BE  
UNDER SURVEILLANCE AND  
INVESTIGATION EVEN IF THEY ARE  
NOT SUSPECT OF ANY CRIME.  
PROGRAMS LIKE YPI -- BRIC AND  
HANG DATABASE ARE HE STRICT  
RELIGIOUS EXPRESSIONS, WORSEN  
HARASSMENT OF MARGINALIZED  
COMMUNITIES AND SUPPRESS OPEN  
DIALOGUE AND DO NOTHING TO  
ADVANCE PUBLIC SAFETY. WE ASK  
THE COUNCIL TO PASS AN ORDINANCE  
REGULATING BPD'S PURCHASES AND  
PRACTICES RELATED TO  
SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY THAT  
WILL PROTECT THE RIGHTS, PRIVACY  
AND DIGNITY OF ALL RESIDENTS.  
WE ALSO ASK THE COUNCIL TO FORCE  
BPD TO END THE PARTICIPATION IN  
YPIP, JTTF AND THE GANG DATABASE  
AND ANY OTHER PROGRAM THAT  
UNFAIRLY TARGETS BOSTON'S  
COMMUNITIES OF COLOR.  
THANK YOU.

>> ALL RIGHT.  
I AM 0 FOR 3.

>> YES, SIR -- YES, MA'AM.

>> HELLO, MY NAME IS -- AND I  
LIVE IN THE SOUTH END.  
I AM A RISING JUNIOR AT THE JOHN  
DEERE BRYANT HIGH SCHOOL AND THE  
LEADER OF THE -- AFTER JOINING  
-- IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO MY  
ATTENTION ABOUT WHAT THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN  
DOING.  
SPENDING THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ON  
SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY.  
THEY USE THE INFORMATION AGAINST  
PEOPLE OF COLOR AND REPORT ANY  
SUSPICIONS TO ICE.  
AS IMMIGRANT LIVING IN A  
COMMUNITY OF COLOR I FEEL LIVING  
A FULL LIFE I HAVE TO -- I HAVE  
BEEN WORRIED ABOUT WHO IS  
WATCHING ME AND LEAKED TO ICE.  
USING THE BRIC SYSTEM TO THEIR  
ADVANTAGE, WHAT COLORS WE WEAR.  
I SEE POLICE WHERE I LIVE  
WATCHING OVER EVER AND SOMETIMES  
TARGET AGO PERSON OF COLOR JUST  
FOR HANGING OUTSIDE WITH THEIR  
FRIENDS.  
IT IS AN INVASION OF OUR PRIVACY  
AND WE DON'T LIKE IT.  
TODAY I AM HERE SACRIFICING MY  
STUDY TIME FOR FINAL EXAM TO  
SHARE MY TESTIMONY.  
I SHOULDN'T BE WRITING ON WHO IS  
WATCHING ME.  
I FEEL WIN DON FROM THE BOOK  
1984 BECAUSE BIG BROTHER IS  
WATCHING.  
THANK YOU.

>>

>> IT TOOK THE O'BRYANT SCHOOL  
TO STEP UP ON TIME.  
THANK YOU.  
NICE JOB.  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
TESTIMONY.  
YES.

>> HI, MY NAME IS JENNIFER --  
AND I GO TO THE JOHN DEERE  
BRYANT SCHOOL.  
I AM A RISING JUNIOR.  
I AM THIS CAUSE IS VERY  
IMPORTANT TO ME.

I NOTICE THAT A, THAT A LOT OF THINGS ARE HAPPENING AROUND MY NEIGHBORHOOD. I LIVE IN -- HALL, LIKE POLICE OFFICERS WOULD LIKE COME AND LIKE MY BUILDINGS AND STUFF LIKE THAT. AND THEY WILL WALK UP AND DOWN AND STUFF LIKE THAT, AND, YOU KNOW, THEY SAY THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO KEEP US SAFE BUT LIKE NOTHING IS HAPPENING SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND AS TO WHY THIS IS HAPPENING CONSISTENTLY AND LIKE I HAVE A -- IT IS LATE AT NIGHT AND THEY WILL BE WALKING UP AND DOWN MY STREET AND STUFF LIKE THAT AND I WONDER LIKE WHAT IS GOING ON BUT THEY NEVER REALLY TELL ME ANYTHING.

THEY ARE JUST LIKE, THEY ARE JUST DOING WHAT THEY FEEL LIKE IS BEST IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND ALSO, LIKE, YOU KNOW, THE SUMMER IS COMING UP AND A LOT OF KIDS LIKE OF MY AGE AND STUFF LIKE THAT, LIKE TO HANG OUT IN THE CITY AND STUFF LIKE THAT AND I NOTICE LIKE WHEN WE ARE IN A BIG GROUP THERE ARE ALWAYS LIKE PEOPLE WATCHING US, LIKE THE POLICE ARE WATCHING US OR HARASSING US OR WANT TO BREAK US UP BECAUSE WE ARE IN A BIG GROUP BUT WHEN THERE ARE LIKE SUBURBAN KIDS OR KIDS THAT ARE WHITE THEY DON'T DO THAT TO THEM AND THEY DON'T ASK THEM QUESTIONS OR ASK THEM QUESTIONS IN THE MALLS OR IN THE STORES OR DON'T MAKE THEM FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE AND I FEEL LIKE THIS IS A BIG ISSUE BECAUSE IT IS LIKE IF WE CAN'T, IF YOU ARE WATCHING US THEN THE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE STORES ARE GOING TO BE WATCHING US AND IT IS LIKE WE DON'T WANT TO SHOP THERE AND WE HAVE ADDING ON THE TO STEREOTYPES AND I JUST FEEL LIKE BUDGET CUTS ARE HAPPENING WITH THE SCHOOLS AND STUFF LIKE THAT, WHY ARE WE SPENDING SO MUCH MONEY ON LIKE STUFF SURVEILLING US INSTEAD OF PUTTING IT TOWARDS SCHOOLS THAT ARE MORE IMPORTANT

AND STUFF LIKE THAT AND ALSO  
FEEL LIKE, YOU KNOW, SCHOOLING  
IS IMPORTANT SO WHAT DO YOU  
WANT?

DO YOU WANT PEOPLE TO WATCH US  
OR 0 TO GET A GOOD EDUCATION  
LIKE WE ALREADY DON'T HAVE A LOT  
OF RESOURCES, EDUCATION IS THE  
ONLY THING TO GET US OUT OF HERE  
AND I FEEL THAT IS IMPORTANT.  
AND I FEEL LIKE, THE LEADERSHIP,  
IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE WATCHING  
US, BE RESPECTFUL AND ACTUALLY  
HELP US BUT NOT JUST TO CONTROL  
US AND ACT LIKE WE ARE IN A  
CAGE.  
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, JENNIFER.

>> YES.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON, THANK YOU FOR  
HAVING ME HERE.  
THANK YOU FOR.

MY NAME IS -- I AM THE DIRECTOR  
OF THE STUDENT IMMIGRANT  
MOVEMENT HERE REPRESENT BEING  
HOPEFULLY THE UNDOCUMENTED  
POPULATION TO THE EXTENT AND AS  
PROBATIVE AS IT CAN BE. I  
MYSELFMENT A DACA HOLDER AND  
THIS ISSUE MATTERS TO ME A LOT.  
AS WE KNOW THAT AS THEY  
MENTIONED BEFORE THERE IS NO  
TRUTH BEHIND THE FACT THAT'S IS  
NOT GETTING AHOLD OF INFORMATION  
PRODUCED BY BPD, IN ANY CASE AS  
YOU HAVE HEARD FROM A LOT OF THE  
COMMUNITY MEMBERS HERE TODAY, IT  
IS NOT JUST ABOUT THE TECHNOLOGY  
BUT ABOUT THE PERSON TO PERSON  
CONNECTION OR PERSON TO PERSON  
CONTACT, BY THAT I MEAN THE COP  
TO EVERY DAY CIVILIAN WALKING IN  
THE STREET OR DRIEFGD A CAR OR  
WHEREVER THEY MAY BE.  
AND I HEARD OVER AND OVER 15  
ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY  
IN OUR CITY AND I AGREE  
100 PERCENT, IT IS ABOUT SAFETY,  
BUT I THINK THE ISSUE THEN  
BECOMES IF ONLY ONE SIDE FEELS  
SAFE AND BY THAT I MEAN, THE

COPS. THERE IS AN ISSUE WHEN THE COPS ARE THE ONES WHO FEEL SAFE AND THE COMMUNITY IS THE ONES THAT DON'T FEEL SAFE AND FEEL THAT THEY ARE, THEIR RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES ARE BEING THREATENED.

PARTICULARLY, I THINK THAT I AM CONCERNED WHEN THEY MENTIONED OVER AND OVER AGAIN HOW GREAT THEIR TECHNOLOGY IS, I DON'T THINK THAT IS THE CASE.

AND -- AS I MENTIONED BEFORE -- IT DOESN'T JUST PICK UP SHOTS, IT PICKS A LOT OF THINGS UP. WE TALKED ABOUT HOW THIS IS A MATTER OF PROTECTING THE COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY WINS RIGHTS, BUT I AM A SURVIVOR OF SEXUAL ASSAULT WHO HAD TO DEAL WITH THIS AS UNDOCUMENTED WOMAN. I FEEL MY CASE WAS NEVER HELD IN THE WAY THAT IT SHOULD HAVE, AND I DO NOT FEEL MY RIGHTS ARE BEING PROTECTED SO I HAVE MANY QUESTIONS FOR THEM ABOUT THAT. IN PARTICULAR, AND ALSO A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED THAT I HEAR OVER AND OVER AGAIN HOW THE COMMUNITY IS BEING HEARD AND HOW THEY ARE TALKING TO THE COMMUNITY, BUT WHEN I AM TALKING TO THE COMMUNITY I AM TALKING TO THE MOMS WHO ARE TALKING ABOUT THEIR SONS AND SEEING THEIR SONS ON THE GROUND BEING HELD BY BPD AND THEN TOLD, OH, YOU CAN GO. YOU ARE THE WRONG PERSON. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. AND I AM ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THIS IDEA THAT OUR MISCONCEPTION OF TECHNOLOGY AND HOW BPD IS HOLDING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE, COMES FROM OUR VISION OF WHAT HOLLYWOOD IS OR WHAT WE SEE ON TV AND NOT THE FACT THAT WE ARE LIVING THESE EXPERIENCES EVERY SINGLE DAY AND THAT WE ARE HERE TALKING ABOUT THEM.

THAT IS WHAT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT TODAY AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN ADJUST, AND WE HAVE THE EVIDENCE FROM THE LAWYER ABOUT A POLICE REPORT THAT -- IN THE



SCHOOL WHO HAS BEEN SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO BRIC, WHICH WE DO NOT HEAR FROM THE GENTLEMAN WHO SPOKE ABOUT BRIC, BUT I KNOW MY TIME IS UP, UNFORTUNATELY, BUT I AM THE COMMUNITY AND I AM HERE SPEAKING TODAY AND I HOPE THAT MORE OF US WILL BE HEARD. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

>> YES.  
WE HAVE TWO STATIONS SO YOU CAN JUST GET IN LINE IN EITHER SIDE IS FINE.  
THANK YOU.

>> HI, COUNCILORS, MY NAME IS SABRINA, I AM HERE TRYING TO REPRESENT THE UNDOCUMENTED COMMUNITY HERE IN BOSTON. SO I AM A LEADER ORGANIZER FOR THE CITY IMMIGRANT MOVEMENT AS YOU IMAGINE WE GET OUT IN THE COMMUNITY A LOT BECAUSE THAT IS OUR JOB, SO JUST BRIEFLY I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE HOW MUCH MORE DIFFICULT MY JOB HAS BECOME, BECAUSE OF BPD AND BECAUSE OF THE SHARED INFORMATION THAT IS BEING TRANSFERRED TO ICE, RIGHT? WHEN WE TALK ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE IN BOSTON WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A BUNCH OF PEOPLE, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IMMIGRANTS AND WE ARE TALKING ABOUT FOLKS WHO MIGHT NOT HAVE STATUS, FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THEIR DACA IS GOING TO BE TAKEN FROM THEM, FOLKS WHO HAVE LOST BPS AND TALKING ABOUT FOLKS WHO ARE IN VULNERABLE POSITIONS AND ALSO TALKING ABOUT STUDENTS THAT WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE TAKING CARE OF, YOUNG PEOPLE WE ARE SUPPOSED TO TAKE CARE OF, I TAKE MY JOB QUITE SERIOUSLY, VERY, VERY SERIOUSLY.  
AND SO I REMEMBER ACTUALLY SEEING -- I BELIEVE -- I THOUGHT I SAW, ACTUALLY COUNCILOR MCCARTHY AT THE UNVEILING FOR

THE MURDER VALUE AS BCLA.

>> YES.

>> AND THAT WAS AMAZING WORK  
DONE BY THE CHAPTER AND THE  
STUDENTS AND THE PARENTS AND THE  
TEACHERS WHO CARED ABOUT YOUNG  
PERSON THERE WHO HAD BEEN  
DETAINED BY THE PROCESS, THAT  
BPD AND ICE LET HAPPEN, AND BRIC  
AND WE HOLD THOSE PEOPLE  
ACCOUNTABLE BECAUSE THAT PERSON  
LOST FOUR MONTHS OF THEIR LIFE  
IN A CELL.  
HERE IN MASSACHUSETTS.  
AND THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE.  
AND WE KNOW THAT THAT IS NOT THE  
ONLY CASE.  
WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE MORE  
PROBLEMS AND THAT'S.

>> THAT'S WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY  
TO TALK ABOUT PASSING THIS  
ORDINANCE TO MAKE SURE THAT BPD  
OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF LAW  
ENFORCEMENT IS SURVEILLING US  
THAT WE HAVE FULL CONTROL AND  
SAY OVER WHAT AND HOW THAT LOOKS  
LIKE.  
SO I CAN KEEP GOING ON, I KNOW  
MY TIME HAS PASSED BUT I MEAN  
YOU ALL HAVE THE WRITTEN  
TESTIMONIES TO GO THROUGH AND  
HEAR MORE.  
SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE  
TIME.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
THE MURDER VALUE WILL BE THERE  
FOREVER.  
SO IT IS SOMETHING, MURAL WILL  
BE THERE FOREVER.

>> SO EVEN THE STUDENTS THAT ARE  
NOT THERE YET, THERE WAS A STAND  
MADE THERE, AND THAT WAS  
AWESOME, THINGS FOR BEING THERE.  
YES, SIR.

>> MY NAME IS JOHN, BUT STO  
INFORM.

>> I LIVE IN FENWAY, VERY PROUD

MEMBER OF THE ACLU.

MY COMMENTS NOW ARE ABOUT YOUR  
RUNNING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS.

IF YOU NOTICE, ONLY THE TWO OF  
YOU REMAIN TO HEAR THE PUBLIC'S  
COMMENTS.

IF YOU NOTICE THE POLICE  
REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT HERE 0  
TO HEAR THE PUBLIC'S COMMENTS.  
0 YOU KNOW THAT IT IS VERY  
IMPORTANT TO HAVE A PUBLIC  
HEARING A NOT SO THAT THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT CAN MAKE AN  
INFOMERCIAL STATEMENT, NOT SO  
COUNCILORS CAN PROVIDE FEEDBACK  
TO THEM BUT, ABOUT HOW PROUD WE  
ARE OF OUR POLICE FORCE, THAT  
CAN BE DONE IN SOME KIND OF A  
CELEBRATION OF THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT, MOST POLICE OFFICERS  
SHOULD BE HERE TO LISTEN TO WHAT  
THE PUBLIC HAVE TO SAY.

COUNCIL MEMBERS SHOULD BE HERE  
TO HEAR WHAT THE PUBLIC HAS TO  
SAY.

AND I ASK YOU, PLEASE, CHANGE  
THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS SO  
THAT YOU HAVE STATEMENTS MADE IN  
ADVANCE, WE CAN WATCH THEM ON TV  
OR ON OUR PHONES AND THEN HAVE  
THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THE  
POLICE HERE WHEN THE PUBLIC  
TESTIFIES.

THANK YOU.

[ APPLAUSE ]