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**CITY OF BOSTON**  

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**ORDER FOR SUMMONS**

**WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council held a public hearing on Docket #2026-0638 regarding the Boston Police Department’s protocols for releasing police body camera and dashboard camera footage; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Representatives from the Boston Police Department were invited to testify and provide information relevant to the Department’s policies, practices, and decision-making regarding the release of such footage; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The requested representatives from the Boston Police Department who were formally invited with sufficient notice did not appear at the said hearing that occurred on April 7, 2026, nor was sufficient notice provided to the Council explaining their absence; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In the aftermath of fatal Boston Police Department Officer encounters, elected officials, oversight bodies, and the public have a vested instance in viewing this footage. Community members, elected officials, and the public at large have called for transparency and access to body camera footage to ensure a full and truthful account of the incident; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Boston Police Department at the discretion of the Boston Police Commissioner, maintains custody and control over body camera footage and related records that are essential to understanding the circumstances surrounding incidents involving the use of deadly force; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The public deserves to see body camera footage related to the Roxbury incident in order to promote transparency, support community healing, and ensure accountability in the administration of justice; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Given the seriousness of this matter, the impact on public trust, and the failure of the Boston Police Department to appear before the Council, it is necessary to

compel testimony and the production of relevant information; ***NOW,  
THEREFORE BE IT***

***ORDERED:*** That pursuant to M.G.L. c. 233, § 8, the Boston City Council's Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee summons Boston Police Commissioner Michael Cox, Bureau of Administration & Technology Chief Lisa O'Brien, Bureau of Field Services Superintendent Robert Ciccolo, and Bureau of Investigative Services Superintendent Paul McLaughlin, on a future date and time to be determined, to discuss Docket #0638, an Order for a hearing to examine the Boston Police Department's protocols for releasing police body camera and dashboard camera footage.

Filed on: April 15, 2026