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OFFICE OF POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY
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CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD (CRB) — COMPLAINT #610

CASE IDENTIFICATION			
Case Number:	610		
Date of Incident:	01-28-2026	Time of Incident:	~ 2:30 AM - ~ 3:00 AM
Location of Incident:	Donald McKay School - Cottage St., East Boston, MA		
Date of Filing:	01-28-2026	Date of CRB Hearing:	07-14-2026
Prior CRB Appearances:	N/A		

BPD Employee Name	Rank	ID #	District	Sex	Race / Ethnicity
Unknown BPD Employee	UNK	UNK	A-1/A-15	UNK	UNK

INVESTIGATIVE METHODOLOGY	
Complainant Interview	☒ Conducted ☐ Attempted (attempts) ☐ Not Applicable Conducted by Former Investigator on 01-30-2026
Subject Interview(s)	[Employee Name] ☐ Conducted ☐ Declined ☐ No Response ☒ Not Attempted No BPD employee could be identified despite the information available during the investigation.
Witness Interviews	☐ Conducted ☐ Attempted ☒ None Identified
BWC Reviewed	☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A No involved BPD employee was identified; therefore, no Body Worn Camera footage could be requested or reviewed.
Records Requested and/or Reviewed from BPD	☐ Yes ☒ No
Records Requested and/or Reviewed from Third Party	☐ Yes ☒ No
Subpoena Issued	☐ Yes ☒ No



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Additional Steps	OPAT reviewed publicly available City of Boston snow emergency information and parking restrictions for Cottage Street. The review confirmed that no snow emergency had been declared on the reported date and no temporary parking restrictions affecting the reported location were identified.
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EVIDENCE SUMMARY

WHAT WAS ESTABLISHED

OPAT interviewed the complainant, who stated that at approximately 3:00 a.m., an unidentified vehicle displaying blue emergency lights drove slowly along Cottage Street while an announcement was made over a loudspeaker that vehicles parked on the right side of the street would be towed. The complainant believed the vehicle belonged to the Boston Police Department but was unable to identify the vehicle or its operator. The complainant advised that no Ring camera footage or known witnesses were available. OPAT independently confirmed that no City of Boston snow emergency had been declared on the reported date and identified no temporary parking restrictions affecting Cottage Street.

EVIDENTIARY GAPS

No Boston Police Department employee or vehicle involved in the reported incident could be identified. No video recordings, Body Worn Camera footage, independent witnesses, dispatch records, or other evidence were available to establish which individual or agency made the announcement or the circumstances surrounding it.

CRB DETERMINATION

The CRB vote constitutes the determination of record.

BPD Employee Name	Applicable BPD Rule	CRB Determination	Vote
Unknown BPD Employee	Rule 102§4 (Neglect of Duty)	Not Sustained	6 - 0

BOARD REMARKS

The Civilian Review Board determined that the available evidence did not establish that the reported loudspeaker announcement was made by a Boston Police Department employee or from a Boston Police Department vehicle. The investigation confirmed that no City of Boston snow emergency or temporary parking restrictions were in effect on the reported date. The source of the announcement and the circumstances surrounding it could not be established. Because the reported conduct could not be attributed to a Boston Police Department employee, the Board was unable to assess whether the conduct constituted a violation of BPD Rule 102§4 and voted to find the allegation Not Sustained.



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ATTACHMENT A — EVIDENCE & RECORDS LOG

SECTION 1 — RECORDS & EVIDENCE

#	Item / Description	Source	Date Requested	Date Received	Status	Notes
1	Complaint Submission	Complainant	1/29/2026	1/29/2026	Received	Initial complaint submitted to OPAT.
2	Complainant Interview	Complainant	1/30/2026	1/30/2026	Completed	Telephone interview conducted by investigator.
3	City of Boston Snow Emergency Information	City of Boston Website	1/30/2026	1/30/2026	Reviewed	No snow emergency declared on the reported date.
4	City of Boston Parking Restriction Review	City of Boston Website	1/30/2026	1/30/2026	Reviewed	No temporary parking restrictions identified for Cottage Street.

SECTION 2A — OFFICER / BPD EMPLOYEE INTERVIEW ATTEMPTS

Officer / Employee	Attempt 1 — Date & Method & Outcome	Attempt 2 — Date & Method & Outcome	Attempt 3 — Date & Method & Outcome	Final Status
Unknown	N/A, No BPD employee identified	N/A	N/A	Not Identified

SECTION 2B — CORRESPONDENCE LOG

Date	Party	Direction	Method	Subject / Purpose	Notes / Outcome
1/29/2026	Complainant	Received	Online Complaint	Complaint Submission	Complaint received by OPAT.
1/30/2026	Complainant	Outgoing / Completed	Telephone	Follow-up Interview	Complainant provided additional details regarding the incident.