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>> GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY,  
WELCOME.

I AM MCCARTHY CARGO -- TIMOTHY  
MCCARTHY I AM THE CHAIR OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY.

I WANT TO REMIND IT IS A PUBLIC  
HEARING BROADCAST ON COMCAST AND  
VERIZON AND ONLINE AT  
BOSTON.GOV.

SILENCE PHONES AND OTHER  
DEVICES.

WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC TESTIMONY IF  
YOU WANT TO SIGN IN ON MY LEFT.

WE HAVE ONE PANEL UP TODAY.

IF YOU CAN STATE YOUR NAME AND  
AFFILIATION THROUGH THE PANEL  
THAT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

DO YOU WANT TO START FROM MY  
LEFT-TO-RIGHT IS FINE.

>> MIKE MANY GRAY FROM THE PORT  
AUTHORITY.

>> TOMMY BUTLER, MASS PORT.

>> BOSTON POLICE.

>> WILLIAM, SUPERINTENDENT AND  
CHIEF.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH EVERYBODY  
FOR COMING HERE.

I AM DISAPPOINTED THAT SOME OF  
OUR INVITES WERE NOT TAKEN  
SERIOUSLY.

THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY SERIOUS  
ISSUE.

WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE SEAPORT,  
YOU'RE LOOKING AT A BRAND NEW  
NEIGHBORHOOD, AN EXTENSIVE  
NEIGHBORHOOD OF CITY OF BOSTON  
RESIDENTS, AND CITY OF BOSTON  
RESIDENTS THAT DESERVE ALL OF  
THE BENEFITS OF HAVING IN MY  
OPINION NOT ARGUABLY, THE BEST  
POLICE FORCE IN THE NATION.

THE TAX REVENUE IN THE SEAPORT  
IN FY05 WAS \$16 MILLION.

TAX REVENUE NOW IN FY16 WAS \$108  
MILLION, WHICH IS AN INCREASE OF  
526%.

THAT NEIGHBORHOOD HAS BECOME AN  
INTEGRAL PART OF THIS CITY.

AND WE ARE ALL VERY, VERY  
CONCERNED AS WE PUT THIS DOCKET  
DO IN.

0722, ORDER OF HEARING REGARDING  
CONCURRENT JURISDICTION OF THE  
MASS PORT AUTHORITY, CONTROL  
PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF  
BOSTON.

TALKING ABOUT THE SOUTH BOSTON  
WATERFRONT.

AGAIN, I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW  
DISAPPOINTED I AM THAT THE  
COLONEL AND MASS PORT COULDN'T  
FIND THEIR WAY OVER TO CITY HALL  
DAY.

WITH DUE RESPECT TO THE PEOPLE  
IN FRONT OF ME, I WILL CERTAINLY  
HEAR WHAT EVERYBODY HAS TO SAY.  
AND AS WE GO ALONG, I BELIEVE AT  
THE END OF THIS HEARING, I DON'T  
BELIEVE I KNOW, AT THE END OF  
THIS HEARING I WILL ADJOURN THE  
HEARING AND WE WILL SET UP  
ANOTHER DATE AND ANOTHER TIME  
WHERE THE PROPER AUTHORITIES CAN  
BE HERE TO TALK ABOUT THIS  
SERIOUS, SERIOUS ISSUE.

I FIND IT DISRESPECTFUL THAT THE  
PEOPLE WHO WERE CALLED UPON DID  
NOT CONTACT US IN ANY WAY, SHAPE  
OR FORM PERSONALLY, BUT THEY  
CALLED OUR STAFF AND SAID THEY  
COULDN'T MAKE IT AND WOULD SEND  
STAFFERS.

THIS IS A BIG ISSUE.

SO I WANT TO OPEN THE FLOOR  
QUICKLY TO MY COLLEAGUES, AND  
THEN WE WILL HAVE COMMISSIONER  
EVANS MAKE HIS OPENING  
STATEMENT.

COUNCILOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR.

BOSTON CITY COUNCILOR AT-LARGE  
MICHAEL FLAHERTY AND I RECENTLY  
OFFERED A RESOLUTION FOR  
CONCURRENT POLICE AUTHORITY FOR  
STATE POLICE AND BOSTON POLICE  
ON MASS PORT PROPERTIES  
INCLUDING THE SOUTH BOSTON  
WATERFRONT.

THAT RESOLUTION RELATED TO A  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BUDGET  
AMENDMENT FILED AT THE STATE  
LEVEL BY FORMER REPRESENTATIVE  
NICK COLLINS, NOW STATE SENATOR.  
THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL WENT ON  
REPORT IN SUPPORT OF THE

AMENDMENT FOR CONCURRENT JURISDICTION AND EQUAL ACCESS TO POLICE SERVICES FOR ALL AREAS OF BOSTON.

THIS HEARING IS ON ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTION BETWEEN THE BOSTON POLICE AND STATE POLICE ON MASS PORT PROPERTIES IN THE WATERFRONT AREA.

THIS PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE AWAY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE POLICE, IT SEEKS TO PROVIDE THE BOSTON POLICE THE SAME POLICE JURISDICTION AS THE STATE POLICE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT HAS DRASTICALLY CHANGED IN THE DECADES SINCE THE CONCURRENT AVERAGE -- SINCE THE CURRENT ARRANGEMENT WAS APPROVED IN THE 1990S.

THERE ARE MORE BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS THAN EVER BEFORE IN THE AREA.

AS I HAVE SAID BEFORE, THIS HEARING IS ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY AND PROVIDING EQUAL ACCESS TO SERVICES FROM THE BOSTON POLICE FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS ACROSS THIS GREAT CITY, NO MATTER WHERE THEY RESIDE.

WE WANT WHAT IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS AS WELL.

WE ARE MERELY SEEKING CONCURRENT JURISDICTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, JUST AS WE CURRENTLY HAVE FOR STATE ROADS, THE MBTA, AND THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTH BOSTON, ESPECIALLY THE RESIDENTS OF THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, THEY WANT THE SAME LEVEL OF BASIC CITY SERVICES, AND WE'RE CONFIDENT THAT THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CAN WORK CLOSELY WITH THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE POLICE IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT. WE'RE ASKING FOR RESPECT AND FOR CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL MCCARTHY.

>> IT IS ABSURD WE ARE HAVING IN THIS DISCUSSION IN 2018.

IT IS PARAMOUNT TO THOSE ON THE WATERFRONT, AS WELL AS TAXPAYERS AND BUSINESS THERE IS. WE NEED TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE

IMMEDIATELY. WHETHER IT IS MOU, OR OTHERWISE THROUGH STATE LEGISLATION, WE LOOK FORWARD TO LISTENING TO THE TESTIMONY AND THROUGH COLLECTIVE EFFORTS TO TRY TO FIND SOME COMMON GROUND, AND I GUESS ALLOW THE STATE POLICE AND THE MASS PORT POLICE TO CONTINUE TO PATROL THE ROADS AND HANDLE DETAILS AND THE ACCESS TO THE 911 CALLS, AS WELL AS THE LICENSE PREMISE VIOLATIONS. AND PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE ALL THE BUSINESSES ARE LOW PRESSURED THROUGH -- THEY ARE LICENSED THROUGH THE CITY OF BOSTON, AND THERE ARE ISSUES THAT COME UP FROM TIME TO TIME AND WE ARE PROBABLY BEST APT TO HANDLE BECAUSE OF THE LICENSES AND WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM THE FOLKS WHO TOOK TIME OUT OF THEIR SCHEDULE TO BE HERE AND WE WILL SUPPORT THE CHAIR IF EITHER TO RECESS THE HEARING, OR USE THE CITY COUNCIL SUBPOENA POWERS TO GET THE PROPER PARTIES HERE TO RESOLVE IT.

>> BEFORE I OPEN IT UP TO COMMISSIONER EVANS, COUNCIL FLYNN AND I ANNOUNCED WE WERE GOING TO DO THIS, THE ONE QUESTION I COULDN'T GET OUT OF MY HEAD, WANT TO ASK TO THE COLONEL, TO TOM, WHY IS THIS AN ISSUE AT ALL? WHY IS IT NOT A SOLUTION FOR THE PEOPLE OF BOSTON AND THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THAT AREA? THAT'S MY QUESTION AND REALLY THE QUESTION WE NEED TO HAVE ANSWERED.

AND I THINK AS WE PEEL THIS ONION APART, WE'LL ULTIMATELY FIND WHY IT IS A SOLUTION AND NOT AN ISSUE. SO COMMISSIONER EVANS, YOU HAVE

THE FLOOR.

>> OK, THANK YOU COUNCILOR MCCARTHY AND COUNCILOR FLAHERTY AND FLYNN FOR HOLDING THIS HEARING.

OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A NEW ISSUE. THE LAST 10 YEARS WE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING THIS ISSUE UP IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND I HAVE BEEN ADAMANT ABOUT GETTING THE RIGHT POLICE IN THE BOSTON CITY NEIGHBORHOOD.

EVERYONE KNOWS THE FIRE AND THE E.M.S. PATROL THAT NEIGHBORHOOD AND PEOPLE PAY GOOD MONEY TO LIVE DOWN THERE AND PAY CITY TAXES AND CLEARLY THEY SHOULD GET WHAT I CONSIDER, AND WHAT PRESIDENT OBAMA CONSIDERED ONE OF THE TOP COMMUNITY POLICING AGENCIES IN THE COUNTRY.

YOU KNOW IT'S FRUSTRATING. WE PATROL, JUST TO MAKE IT CLEAR, THAT WAS ALWAYS OUR JURISDICTION.

AS A YOUNG OFFICER, WE ALL PATROLLED DOWN THERE. AND SOMEHOW IN '97 AN AMENDMENT TOOK IT AWAY FROM US. SO THIS WASN'T ALWAYS MASS PORT AT ALL.

SOMETHING WAS SLIPPED IN AND WE LOST JURISDICTION 20 YEARS AGO. WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT TAKING SOMETHING WE NEVER HAD, WE HAD IT BEFORE, BUT WITH THE TRANSPORTATION BILL WE LOST IT. WE'RE JUST TRYING TO GAIN SOMETHING THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE THAT WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM US.

WHAT IS FRUSTRATING TO ME, LIKE YOU SAID, NOBODY IS HERE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE CONTINUALLY ASKED WHEN I TESTIFIED IN THE LEGISLATURE, GIVE ME ONE GOOD REASON WHY. AND NOBODY CAN.

WHAT IS ALWAYS TROUBLING TO ME, EVEN UP AT THE STATE HOUSE, NO ONE EVEN COMES AND OPPOSE IT IS WHEN I GET UP THERE.

OBVIOUSLY THAT'S TROUBLING. I HAVE A LETTER FROM TOM HERE

WRITTEN, HE DIDN'T SHOW UP TO  
SHOW HIS FACE, BUT HE WROTE  
THAT -- I WILL JUST SAY A FEW  
THINGS HERE.  
THAT HE STRONGLY OPPOSES  
CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.  
AND HE GIVES REASONS ABOUT  
ABILITY THAT WASN'T TRUE, THE  
CITIES INDEMNIFIES US.  
AND TALKING ABOUT HAVING 45 MASS  
PORT COPS EXCLUSIVELY TO PATROL  
THE SEAPORT.  
WE CAN PROBABLY DO IT WITH FIVE  
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH.  
AND TALKING ABOUT 67 STATE  
TROOPERS ASSIGNED TO THE BARICS,  
AND THAT'S 110 PEOPLE HE CLAIMS  
IN THE LETTER WRITTEN 16 MONTHS  
AGO THAT ARE PATROLLING THE  
SEAPORT.  
WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PROBABLY  
FIVE OR SIX BLOCKS DOWN THERE  
THAT EASILY WE CAN DO WITH, YOU  
KNOW, WE HAVE THREE BIKES DOWN  
THERE NOW, WE HAVE VEHICLES  
RIDING DOWN THERE, BUT IT SEEMS  
LIKE THOSE RESOURCES WITH 365  
CITIES AND TOWNS CAN BE PUT TO A  
BETTER USE.  
WE HAVE THE SAME MANPOWER AS THE  
STATE POLICE BASICALLY, ALMOST  
2200 OFFICERS THAT THEY HAVE.  
WE HAVE AMPLE RESOURCES, WITHOUT  
PAYING ANY OVERTIME, TO PATROL  
THAT AREA.  
WE ALSO HAVE SPECIALIZED UNITS  
THAT DEAL WITH CITY ISSUES.  
WHEN SOMEONE IS SEXUALLY  
ASSAULTED, WE HAD SEXUAL  
ASSAULTS DOWN THERE, WE DEAL  
WITH VICTIMS ALL THE TIME.  
SO THEY ARE NOT RE-VICTIMIZED  
WHEN WE RUN INTO THEM.  
AND THE STATE POLICE, THEY CALL  
BASICALLY A HOMICIDE UNIT IN,  
WHICH IS STATEWIDE, TO DEAL WITH  
THE SEXUAL ASSAULTS.  
ALL OF OUR DISTRICT STATIONS  
HAVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATES  
AND DETECTIVES THAT DEAL WITH  
THE VICTIMS AND GET THEM TO  
COURT AND THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN  
WITH THE STATE POLICE.  
WE HAVE CHILD ADVOCACY GROUPS, A

CRIME AGAINST A CHILD.  
THESE ARE THE SPECIALTIES THAT  
WE BRING.  
WE HAVE NO IDEA IF SEXUAL  
OFFENDERS ARE LIVING DOWN THERE.  
WE DON'T EVEN GET THEIR CRIME  
REPORTS.  
SO YESTERDAY WE DID HAVE JOE  
BOYLE GOING OVER WHAT IS GOING  
DOWN.  
AND WE DON'T GET WHAT IS  
HAPPENING IN SOUTH BOSTON WE  
DON'T GET THOSE RESOURCES.  
IT IS VERY TROUBLING THIS WHOLE  
SET-UP, AND I AM REAL  
DISAPPOINTED, ALTHOUGH I HAVE  
THE HIGHEST RESPECT FOR THE  
GOVERNOR BECAUSE ABOUT SIX WEEKS  
AGO HE TALKED ABOUT A REMEDY  
THAT WE STILL DON'T HAVE.  
AND BENNETT IS A GREAT GUY, HE  
BROUGHT US TOGETHER, BUT IT MADE  
NO PROGRESS.  
THIS WILL TAKE SOME COURAGE TO  
CHANGE THIS, BECAUSE IT DOESN'T  
MAKE ANY SENSE THAT THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT CAN'T PATROL A  
MAJOR PART OF THEIR CITY.  
THERE ARE SO MANY RESIDENTS DOWN  
THERE, SO MANY BUSINESSES.  
AND ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO I HAD  
A WOMAN COMPLAINING ABOUT A  
CLUB.  
AND SHE SAYS, YOU KNOW, SHE HAD  
NO ONE TO TURN TO.  
SHE IS CALLING ME TO FIX THE  
PROBLEMS AT THIS CLUB.  
AND I TOLD HER WE DON'T HAVE  
JURISDICTION DOWN THERE.  
EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, WHEN I  
CALLED THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE  
LICENSING BOARD, SHE DOESN'T  
HAVE ONE VIOLATION AGAINST THAT  
CLUB.  
SO WE HAVE THE LICENSED PREMISES  
BUT NOBODY IS REPORTING THE  
INCIDENTS TO US.  
AND THE WHOLE WAY IT IS SET UP  
IS VERY TROUBLING.  
THE STATE POLICE, GOD BLESS  
THEM, I THINK THEY ARE A GREAT  
ORGANIZATION.  
EVERY ONE OF THEIR MEMBERS WORKS  
HARD TO MAKE THIS STATE SAFE,

BUT THEIR HIGHWAY POLICE AND  
THEY PATROL THE STATE ROADS,  
THAT'S THEIR SPECIALTY.  
A PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATION.  
WE ARE A COMMUNITY-BASED  
NEIGHBOR POLICING.  
I DON'T THINK ANYBODY DOES IT  
BETTER, AND I THINK MOST OF  
THOSE RESIDENTS DOWN THERE DON'T  
REALIZE HOW DYSFUNCTIONAL THE  
SYSTEM IS WHEN THEIR CRIME DOWN  
THERE IS NOT REPORTED TO US.  
SO WE HAVE MASS PORT, STATE  
POLICE, AND BOSTON POLICE ALL  
FIGHTING FOR CALLS.  
AND I'VE TOLD YOU THE STORY.  
ONE DAY I AM RIDING HOME WITH MY  
SON FROM CHURCH AND THERE WAS A  
DEAD BODY ON THE BOAT.  
WE WERE THERE AN HOUR AND A HALF  
AND WE ARGUED OVER WHO'S  
JURISDICTION IT IS.  
IN THIS DAY OF TERRORISM AND  
COOPERATION WE DO A GREAT JOB,  
EXCEPT DOWN ON THE SEAPORT.  
THIS IS JUVENILE THIS BEHAVIOR.  
WE SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT  
PUBLIC SAFETY.  
NOT THAT IT IS OUR TURF.  
NEVER ABOUT DETAILS.  
WE SAT DOWN WITH THE STATE  
POLICE AND SAID YOU CAN HAVE ALL  
THE DETAILS, MAKE ALL THE MONEY  
YOU WANT DOWN THERE.  
YOU TAKE THE ROAD LIKE YOU HAVE  
ALL ACROSS THE CITY.  
NOW IF YOU LOOK AT THE  
BOULEVARD, THE STATE HAS THE  
ROAD, WE DO THE SIDEWALKS.  
AND YOU LOOK AT JAMAICA WAY,  
COLUMBIA ROAD, WE WORK WELL  
TOGETHER.  
HERE WE DON'T HAVE ANY  
JURISDICTION.  
AND IT ALSO APPLIES TO  
CHARLESTOWN WHERE MASS PORTS  
THAT EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION ON  
RESIDENCEAL PROBLEM AND APPLIES  
TO CHARLESTOWN.  
WHERE IN THE STATE THE STATE  
TROOPERS DO THE MOST PART HOUSE  
CALLS FOR LOUD PARTIES OR BAR  
FIGHTS, EVEN MASS PORT POLICE  
ARE GOING TO BAR FIGHTS DOWN



THERE.

WHAT DOES MARITIME COPS KNOW  
ABOUT BAR FIGHTS?

THAT'S OUR SPECIALTY.

SO, YOU KNOW, IT'S ALMOST LIKE  
IT'S EMBARRASSING, YOU KNOW,  
WHEN PEOPLE LIKE TOM GLEN AND  
THE PEOPLE TO BE DON'T WANT TO  
GET UP HERE AND TELL YOU  
FACE-TO-FACE WHAT THE TRUE  
REASON IS, AND THEY WRITE  
LETTERS INSTEAD, SORT OF BEHIND  
YOUR BACK.

IT'S REAL FRUSTRATING FOR ME.  
AND I HOPE -- AND I WISH THEY  
WERE HERE, BECAUSE THERE IS NO  
LEGITIMATE REASON TO HAVE US  
DOWN THERE AT SEAPORT.

I THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT UP,  
BUT IT IS A DIS SERVICE TO THE  
RESIDENTS OF THE SEAPORT NOT TO  
HAVE THE BOSTON POLICE DOWN  
THERE.

AND I JUST AGAIN ALWAYS ASK  
WHETHER FROM THE STATE HOUSE IN  
FRONT OF YOU, GIVE ME ONE GOOD  
REASON.

BECAUSE I THINK PRESIDENT OBAMA  
SAID IT, EVERYBODY IS SAYING NO  
ONE DOES BETTER NEIGHBORHOOD  
POLICING THAN THE BOSTON POLICE.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
COMMISSIONER.

I THINK WE'LL LET EVERYBODY HAVE  
AN OPENING STATEMENT AND THEN WE  
CAN ASK QUESTIONS FROM THERE.  
CHIEF.

>> I'LL KEEP MY REMARKS BRIEF.  
I JUST WANT TO KIND OF INTRODUCE  
MIKE GRADY IN HIS NEW ROLE.

GOOD MORNING.

COMMISSIONERS, MEMBERS OF THE  
BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT I AM  
TOMMY BUTLER THE ASSISTANT  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS  
AND WE APPRECIATE THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT BEFORE  
THE COMMITTEE.

WITH ME TODAY IS MIKE GRADY,  
CHIEF OF THE MASS POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AND MARITIME  
SECURITY.

AND CHIEF GRADY THE LONG-TIME  
DEPUTY UNDER JOE WALLACE AND WAS

RECENTLY PROMOTED, WITH  
CONFIDENCE, WHEN JOE RETIRED.  
I KNOW JOE HAS BEEN ON THIS  
PANEL A NUMBER OF TIMES AND LIKE  
TO GIVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR  
COMMENT.

>> THANK YOU.

GOOD MORNING, TIM MCCARTHY AND  
MEMBERS OF THE COUNSEL.

WITH MARITIME SECURITY AND THE  
MASS PORT POLICE.

MAKING IT CLEAR AT THE OUTSET MY  
RESPECT FOR THE COMMISSIONER AND  
MEN AND WOMAN OF THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE JOB  
THEY DO DAY IN AND DAY OUT.

THE AREA OF THE SEAPORT UNDER  
THE CONTROL OF EXPECT

-- BY

MASS POLICE.

AND IN A TIMELY MANNER AND THE  
POLICING PROTOCOLS IN THE  
SEAPORT DISTRICT.

NO QUESTION ABOUT WHO IS IN  
CHARGE.

CLEAR LINES OF JURISDICTIONAL  
AUTHORITY EFFECTIVELY ESTABLISH  
CONTROL ON THE PROPERTIES.  
STATE POLICE HAVE MULTIPLE  
RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND READY TO  
BE DEPLOYED AT A MOMENT'S  
NOTICE.

INCLUDING DETECTIVES, DOD, K-9  
TEAMS, GANG UNIT, RESPONSE  
VEHICLES.

PERSONALLY CONTROLLING THE AREA  
ON FOOT, BICYCLE, MOTOR UNIT,  
AND DEDICATED 24/7, 365 DAYS A  
YEAR.

AND THE STATE POLICE AND MASS  
PORT POLICE WORK TOGETHER TO  
PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM CRIME  
AND RESPONSE.

AND THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY OF  
THE AUTHORITY IS SAFETY AND  
SECURITY.

YEARS WE HAD EFFECTIVE  
COMMUNICATION, COLLABORATION,  
SHARING INFORMATION AND  
INTELLIGENCE WITH THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT.

THIS STARTS WITH THE WEEKLY  
SECURITY MEETING THAT MEETS  
EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK, THE SAME

DAY OF THE WEEK GOING ON 18  
YEARS.

INCLUDING THE MSP, BPD, HOUSING  
MASTER, MEMBERS OF THE BRICK,  
MARINE UNIT, F.B.I., COMMUNITY  
SERVICE OFFICES, COAST GUARD,  
CBP, HOTEL SECURITY, PRIVATE  
OPERATION -- CORPORATIONS, THE  
MARSHAL SERVICE.

AND ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY  
THROUGH PORT WATCH SEE  
SOMETHING-SAY SOMETHING PROGRAM  
ALONG WITH TRAINING PROGRAMS.

MOST RECENTLY THE SEAPORT  
SECURITY INITIATIVE HELD AT THE  
WORLD TRADE CENTER.

THIS TRAINING HELD TO ENGAGE THE  
COMMUNITY IN RESPONSE TO ACTIVE  
SHOOTER AND HOSTILE EVENTS.

THE BPD ENGAGED I LONG WITH LAW  
ENFORCEMENT.

AND WE HAD TRAINING FOR HOTEL  
EMPLOYEES TRAINING ON ACTIVE  
SHOOTER AND RESPONSE.  
AND WORKING TOGETHER ON MULTIPLE  
EVENTS.

CONCERTS, ROAD RACES AND  
FESTIVALS AND THE POLICE  
COLLABORATE TOGETHER.

AND THE MASS PORT POLICE  
COMPLIMENT THE STATE POLICE.  
AND ADDITIONAL FIRST-RESPONSE  
CAPABILITIES, BUT ALSO PROVIDE  
SPECIALIZED SECURITY SERVICES  
UNDER THE MARITIME  
TRANSPORTATION ACT AT THE  
TERMINAL, CONTAIN THE TERMINAL  
AND THE EAST BOSTON PARKS  
SYSTEMS.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

OK I WOULD LEAK -- LIKE TO READ  
INTO THE RECORD MARK CIOMMO HAS  
A BAD BACK AND HE APOLOGIZES FOR  
NOT ABLE TO ATTEND ON DOCKET  
0722.

HE IS WRITING TO OFFER SUPPORT  
FOR CONCURRENT JURISDICTION IN  
THE SEAPORT NEIGHBORHOOD OF  
SOUTH BOSTON.

HE BELIEVES THE RESIDENTS,  
PEOPLE RESIDING IN THE SEAPORT  
DESERVE ALL THE CITY SERVICES  
THE REST OF THE CITY HAS ACCESS

TO, INCLUDING THE SERVICE OF THE  
BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT.  
THAT IS MARK CIOMMO.

A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS I HAVE  
RIGHT OUT OF THE GATE AND THEN  
WE'LL, YOU KNOW, HAND IT OFF TO  
MY COLLEAGUES AS WELL WHO  
REPRESENT THE AREA DIRECTLY AS  
EDDIE DOES.

STARTED OUT THE HEARING BY  
SAYING WHAT IS THE TRUE ISSUE  
WITH CONCURRENT JURISDICTION,  
WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

AS COMMISSIONER EVANS TALKED  
ABOUT HE WENT ON TO TALK EXACTLY  
ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON THERE.  
COMMISSIONER, IF YOU CAN TAKE ME  
THROUGH, I LIVE IN THE SEAPORT.  
I AM INVOLVED IN A DOMESTIC  
DISPUTE, I AM ON THE 12TH FLOOR  
OF A CONDO UNIT DOWN THERE.  
WALK ME THROUGH, I CALL 911,  
WHAT HAPPENS?

>> WHAT HAPPENS, WE'RE THE  
PRIMARY AGENCY THAT RECEIVES THE  
CALL.

AND, YOU KNOW, IF IT IS AN  
EMERGENCY FOR THE MOST PART,  
LIKE A GUN CALL, YOU KNOW WE'LL  
RESPOND TO A GUN CALL WHETHER WE  
HAVE JURISDICTION OR NOT.  
BUT WE'LL NOTIFY MASS PORT AS  
WELL AS THE STATE POLICE.  
AND WE'LL SEND IT BACK OUT TO  
FRAMINGHAM WHICH CAN END UP IN A  
LITTLE BIT OF A DELAY BEING  
SAID.

BUT ON SERIOUS CALLS WE DON'T  
REALLY CARE ABOUT THE  
JURISDICTION, SAFETY IS THE  
FACTOR.

BUT THEN WHAT HAPPENS AT THAT  
POINT, WE HAVE TO TURN IT OVER  
TO THE STATE POLICE.

BUT IN A DOMESTIC CALL,  
OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE TO REFER THAT  
OVER TO THE STATE POLICE.  
AND AT THAT POINT, YOU KNOW,  
THEY DEAL WITH IT.

AND I DON'T BELIEVE THEY HAVE  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFICERS AND  
ADVOCATES WHO TAKE THEM  
ENTHUSIASTIC SOUTH BOSTON COURT  
AND WALK THEM THROUGH, MAKE SURE

THE CHILDREN ARE SAFE AND WHAT NOT.  
WE HAVE SPECIALIZED UNITS THAT DEAL WITH THOSE AND THAT'S WHY WE GET A LOT OF ACCOLADES, WE DO A LOT OF FOLLOW-UP.  
WE DON'T GO TO CALLS DOWN THERE, WE TRANSFER THEM OVER.  
THE OTHER DAY I WAS HEARING A CALL, A PERSON SUPPOSEDLY WITH A GUN AT DELFRISCO'S.  
AND I HEAR IT IS THE STATE POLICE, WE ARE GOING ANYWAY.  
WHAT YOU HAVE IS THREE AGENCIES RESPONDING AND THEN IT IS WHO IS GOING TO TAKE THE ARREST.  
WE HAD A LOT OF DISTURBANCES A LOT OF FIGHTS OVER THERE ABOUT WHO IS GOING TO TAKE WHAT.  
BUT THE SAD THING IS, IF THERE IS A SEXUAL ASSAULT, WHICH UNFORTUNATELY WE HAD BOTH ON THE BOATS AND IN SOME OF THE CLUBS, AND WE WILL BE THE FIRST ONES SOMETIMES TO RUN INTO IT, SO THE POOR GIRL HAS TO TELL US HER STORY, BUT THEN SHE IS RE-VICTIMIZED AGAIN BECAUSE AT THAT POINT WE HAVE TO TURN IT OVER TO THE STATE POLICE AND THEY DON'T HAVE A SEXUAL ASSAULT UNIT THAT'S CORRECT HAVE DETECTIVES WHO DEAL WITH IT.  
WE ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE LOCAL COURTS, VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE RESOURCES THAT ALL THESE YOUNG LADIES CAN GET DOWN THERE, BUT YOU KNOW WE SPECIALIZED IN THESE NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES.  
AGAIN, OUR RESPECT TO THE STATE POLICE, THEY SPECIALIZE MORE DEALING WITH LIKE THE TERRORISM STUFF, THE HIGHWAYS AND THE PARKS.  
WE'RE THE COMMUNITY POLICING NEIGHBORHOOD POLICE NOWHERE IN THE STATE DOES ANY POLICE AGENCY HAVE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO A NEIGHBORHOOD.  
FINE, THEY CAN HAVE IT TO THE AIRPORT, WE DON'T WANT IT IN THE AIRPORT.  
BUT WE WANT OUR CITY NEIGHBORHOODS.

WE WANT SOUTH BOSTON.  
WE WANT CHARLESTOWN.  
THOSE PEOPLE DESERVE WHAT  
EVERYONE ELSE GETS.  
AND IT'S SO SAD THAT THE  
LEGISLATURE KNOWS, AND EVERYBODY  
KNOWS THIS IS THE MOST CRAZY  
SET-UP, BUT NOBODY WANTS TO FIX  
IT.  
AND I'VE SAID NUMEROUS TIMES,  
PEOPLE HAVE TO STEP UP.  
THIS IS ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY, NOT  
ABOUT A TURF WAR.  
NOT ABOUT THE STATE POLICE  
UNION.  
IT'S ABOUT THOSE RESIDENTS DOWN  
HERE.  
ITS EMBARE -- EMBARRASSING THAT  
WE ARE FIGHTING OVER THIS, THIS  
SET-UP THIS DAY AND AGE.  
WE SHOULDN'T BE FIGHTING, WE  
SHOULD BE WORKING TOGETHER.  
THEY HAVE THE STREET LIKE THEY  
DO IN EVERY OTHER SET-UP AND WE  
HAVE THE HOUSE CALLS, THE BAR,  
THAT'S THE WAY IT IS ACROSS THE  
CITY.  
WHY HERE ANY DIFFERENCE,  
COUNCILORS, AND THAT'S WHAT I  
CONTINUOUSLY ASK.  
I WISH TOM WAS HERE, THE COLONEL  
WAS HERE.  
LIKE THE LEGISLATION WHEN I GO,  
I ASK THEM, GIVE ME ONE GOOD  
REASON AND ALL I HEAR IS  
CRICKETS.  
THEY DON'T EVEN SEND ANYONE TO  
OPPOSE IT.  
THAT'S HOW MUCH IT'S A DONE  
DEAL.  
>> YOU MENTIONED THE CHILD  
ADVOCACY CENTER, AND WE'RE VERY  
FAMILIAR WITH THEM.  
GOD FORBID IF A CHILD GETS HURT  
DOWN THERE BECAUSE IT IS A NEW  
NEIGHBORHOOD.  
CAN YOU DIVE IN ABOUT YOUR  
RELATIONSHIP WITH CHILD  
ADVOCATES AND THE PROCESS OF  
SOMETHING HAPPEN WITH A CHILD  
DOWN THERE.  
>> THEY'RE A GREAT ORGANIZATION.  
THEY WORK WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE  
BEEN ABUSED.

WE JUST DID A FUNDRAISER WITH THEM A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, THE STAIR CLIMB, AND THEY LOOK OUT FOR THE CHILDREN'S WELFARE MORE THAN EVERYTHING.  
AND THAT'S WHAT WE BRING.  
THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER IN BRIGHTON THAT IS ALL SERVICES FOR EVERYONE.  
SOCIAL SERVICES, WE HELP GET THE MOTHERS SETTLED IN A GOOD PLACE, GET THE CHILDREN SAFE.  
AND SO WE BRING THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF POLICING TO ISSUES LIKE CHILD ABUSE, TO SEXUAL ABUSE, TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING.  
AND WE HAVE AGAIN 2200 OFFICERS JUST FOCUSED ON THE CITY.  
THEY HAVE 2200 FOCUSED ON 365 CITIES AND TOWNS.  
WE CAN BRING THE RESOURCES WITHOUT ANY CHARGE.  
THIS IS SUCH A WASTE OF DUPLICATION.  
WE HAVE THREE AGENCIES DOWN THERE COSTING THE TAXPAYERS BIG, BIG MONEY WHEN THE BOSTON POLICE CAN DO IT FOR NOTHING.  
>> MY LAST QUESTION BEFORE I HAND IT OVER TO COUNCILOR FLYNN.  
CHIEF GRADY, CHIEF, YOU TALKED ABOUT THE MEETING YOU HAVE WEEKLY OR BIWEEKLY.  
AND YOU WENT THROUGH WHO WAS THERE QUICKLY.  
IT SEEMS TO BE A MISCOMMUNICATION, IN THE OPENING STATEMENTS IT SEEMED LIKE THERE WAS NOT COMMUNICATION WITH REPORTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT, AND THEN IT SAME TO YOU AND YOU SAID THERE IS COMMUNICATION.  
IF YOU CAN GO OVER THAT ONE MORE TIME.  
>> EVERY WEDNESDAY.  
AND IT BEGAN POST-9/11.  
IT IS HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY AT MASS PORT.  
EVEN THOUGH THE FACES MAY HAVE CHANGED OVER THE YEARS IT REPRESENTS THE DIFFERENT AGENT SEES.  
AS THE SEAPORT HAS BEGUN TO GROW.

IT IS A SHARING OF INFORMATION  
TO GET TOGETHER ON AN INFORMAL  
BASIS EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 10:00  
AND YOU'RE WELCOME TO ATTEND.  
BUT IT IS TO SHARE WHAT IS GOING  
ON IN THE DISTRICT, WHAT MAY BE  
HAPPENING, WHAT EVENT MAY BE  
IMPACTING IT.

MAYBE TO TALK ABOUT LARGE EVENTS  
THAT HAVE TO BE PLANNED FOR.

IT MAY BE SMALL ISSUE OR PROBLEM  
TO TRY TO HEAR IT FROM WHETHER  
IT'S THE BC -- OR THE HOTEL  
ISSUE OR EVENT HELD THAT WILL  
IMPACT THE DISTRICT.

IT IS TO GET THEM TOGETHER.

NOT EVERY WEEK IT SHOWS.

ROBUST ATTENDANCE.

FEDERAL PARTNERS.

REGULATORY PARTNERS, CITY,  
E.M.S., BPD, AND CAPTAIN  
MCCORMICK'S GROUP.

IT IS REALLY GETTING TOGETHER,  
MEETING EACH OTHER AND SHEARING  
WHAT MAY BE GOING ON  
WEEK-TO-WEEK-TO-WEEK.

WE HAVE DONE THAT FOR 18 YEARS.

WE CONTINUE TO DO IT.

BUT AGAIN, I MAY BE ONE EVER THE  
CONSTANT THERE IS THAT LONG, BUT  
IT IS AN EFFECTIVE PROGRAM.

IT IS NOT HIGH-LEVEL INFORMATION  
BUT IT THE GROUNDWORK AND THAT'S  
THE INFORMATION SHARING WE EXCEL  
AT.

>> OK, THANK YOU CHIEF.

AND COMMISSIONER.

>> I THINK AGAIN NOT THAT WE  
HAVE THOSE, THOSE ARE MORE ABOUT  
SPECIAL EVENTS.

WE DON'T GET THE CRIME STATS,  
THE AMOUNT OF CARS BROKEN INTO,  
DON'T GET THE B&E'S DOWN THERE.

WE DON'T GET THAT INFORMATION.

IF THERE IS ANY SEXUAL  
OFFENDERS, IS ANYONE CHECKING ON  
LIKE OTHER SEXUAL OFFENDERS.

EVERY TWO WEEKS IN COM STAT WE  
MAKE SURE IT IS GOING ON.

THERE ARE MEETINGS, BUT IT IS  
MORE ABOUT SHIFT COMING IN AND  
MORE OVERVIEW OF WHO IS HAVING  
AN EXPO DOWN THERE.

THAT CRIME REPORTING DOWN THERE



HASN'T HAPPEN.

SO A SECTION OF SOUTH BOSTON  
WHEN WE DO OUR COM STATS WE HAVE  
NO CLUE AS FAR AS HOW CRIME IS  
GOING ON OVERALL DOWN THERE.  
MASS PORT TAKES REPORTS, THE  
STATE POLICE TAKES REPORTS.  
BUT IF THERE IS A BAR FIGHT,  
WE'RE NOT GETTING THAT  
INFORMATION SO OUR GUYS CAN GO  
DOWN AND WRITE UP THOSE CLUBS.  
SO ALL THOSE CLUBS IN THAT AREA,  
THROUGHOUT THE CITY, ARE  
CONSTANTLY INSPECTING THEM TO  
MAKE SURE THERE IS NO OVER  
CROWDING, MAKE SURE THERE IS NO  
OVER SERVING.  
MAKE SURE THEY ARE NOT SERVING  
MINORS.

OUR LICENSED PEOPLE GO DOWN  
THERE AND CHECK FOR THAT.  
BUT IF THERE IS AN INCIDENT IN  
THOSE CLUBS, NOBODY REPORTS THAT  
OUT TO US FOR THE MOST PART.  
AND THAT'S WHY WHEN THIS WOMAN  
CALLED FROM THIS ONE BUILDING,  
SHE SAID THAT PLACE HAS BEEN  
NOTHING BUT A PAIN.  
WELL WE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT  
BECAUSE NO ONE WRITES REPORTS.  
SO THERE IS COOPERATION ON  
TERROR HE, BUT ON THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD STUFF, THAT'S WHERE  
WE SORT OF DON'T GET THE  
INFORMATION WE'D LIKE TO HAVE.  
SO WHEN WE REPORT OUT TO  
COUNCILOR FLYNN AND FLAHERTY ON  
THEIR DISTRICT, WE'RE NOT REALLY  
REPORTING OUT ON PARTIAL  
INFORMATION BECAUSE WE DON'T  
HAVE A SNAP SHOT OF THE CRIMES  
GOING DOWN THERE.

>> I WOULD LIKE EVERYBODY TO  
ACKNOWLEDGE THAT COUNCIL WU IS  
IN ATTENDANCE.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILOR FLYNN.

>> COMMISSIONER, I KNOW THE MASS  
PORT OR THE STATE POLICE IS NOT  
SHARING MUCH INFORMATION, POLICE  
REPORTS, ON INCIDENTS THAT ARE  
HAPPENING.

BUT IF THEY SHARED THOSE POLICE  
REPORTS, A LOT OF THOSE TYPES OF

INCIDENTS MIGHT HAVE PEOPLE THAT YOU KNOW IN OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS OF BOSTON, AND THAT'S WHAT BOSTON POLICE WOULD HAVE A BETTER HANDLE ON IT, BECAUSE BOSTON OBVIOUSLY KNOWS ALL OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS ACROSS THE CITY.

BUT I THINK WE'RE PROBABLY MISSING A LOT OF INFORMATION NOT GETTING THOSE POLICE REPORTS. AND NOT HAVING BOSTON POLICE BEING PART OF THE PROCESS. BECAUSE A LOT OF THE INCIDENTS THAT HAPPEN AT THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT COULD HAVE AN IMPACT ON OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS AS WELL. I WAS JUST WONDERING, CHIEF, WHY WOULDN'T YOU SHARE ANY OF THE POLICE REPORTS?

>> I DO KNOW THAT ANYTIME THERE IS AN INCIDENT THAT OCCURS IN A LICENSED ESTABLISHMENT, BECAUSE THERE IS AN EFFORT TO GET THOSE DIRECTLY FROM THE STATE POLICE TO THE -- TO C6, SO IF ENFORCEMENT IS GOING TO BE NECESSARY WITH A LICENSE, THAT THAT TAKES PLACE. THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE.

I THINK THAT IS THE PROTOCOL IN POLICE WITH THE STATE POLICE TO FORWARD THOSE REPORTS FOR VIOLATION ISSUES IF THEY OCCUR.

>> I AM DOWN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT ALMOST EVERY DAY, THAT'S THE AREA I SPECIFICALLY REPRESENT, AND RESIDENTS THERE, MANY NEW RESIDENTS AND THAT'S THE NUMBER ONE ISSUE, THEY ASK ME WHY ISN'T THE BOSTON POLICE ABLE TO PATROL THIS AREA, JOINT JURISDICTION?

I REALLY DON'T HAVE A GOOD ANSWER FOR THEM.

BUT IT'S SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO TAKE PLACE.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO THE RESIDENTS. IT'S A QUALITY-OF-LIFE ISSUE. THEY DESERVE THE SAME BASIC CITY SERVICES AS ANY OTHER RESIDENT, WHETHER THEY LIVE IN CHARLESTOWN OR ROXBURY OR HYDE PARK, AND THAT'S WHERE I'M COMING FROM.

I HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE IN THE STATE POLICE AND THE MASS PORT POLICE, TOO.

BUT I DO KNOW THE TREMENDOUS ROLE THE BOSTON POLICE DOES PLAY IN A LOT OF VIOLENT CRIMES, HIGHLY TRAINED, HIGHLY SKILLED AS THE COMMISSIONER MENTIONED. THEY DO AN EXCELLENT JOB ON COMMUNITY POLICING.

COMMISSIONER, IS THERE ANY WAY THAT WE CAN CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE WITH -- WHETHER IT IS THIS MEETING OR ANOTHER MEETING, WITH THE STATE POLICE?

AND COME UP WITH A PLAN OR COME UP WITH SOME MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, GIVING POST POLICE SOME TYPE OF JOINT JURISDICTION IF IT DOESN'T WORK IN THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS?

>> AGAIN, THIS WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM US LEGISLATIVELY IN 1997. IT HAS TO BE PUT BACK LEGITIMATELY.

MOU, ALL THAT DOES IS MAKE US SPECIAL OFFICES FOR THE STATE POLICE.

AND THE MOU CAN BE PULLED AT ANY TIME.

AND AGAIN I HAVE THE UPMOST RESPECT FOR DAN BENNETT WITH THE COLONEL AND THEY DIDN'T WANT TO GIVE UP PRIMARY JURISDICTION DOWN THERE.

SO IT REALLY HASN'T DONE ANYWHERE, SO HONESTLY WE HAD A DECISION YEARS BACK ON THIS VERY ISSUE AND SHE MADE IT CLEAR THE BEST FIX IS A LEGISLATIVE CHANGE HERE.

AND AN MOU IS NOT GOING TO WORK, BECAUSE THAT'S JUST AN AGREEMENT TEMPORARILY BASICALLY WHERE WE BECOME SPECIAL OFFICERS FOR THE STATE POLICE.

AGAIN, THIS IS ABOUT CONCURRENT WHERE THEY WILL HAVE THE STREET, LIKE THEY DO THROUGHOUT THE CITY AND WE WILL POLICE THE HOUSES, THE BUSINESSES AND WHAT NOT.

AGAIN, WHERE ELSE DO YOU SEE THIS TYPE OF ARRANGEMENT?

USUALLY CITIES AND TOWNS WILL

CALL IN THE STATE POLICE WHEN  
THEY NEED THEM.  
WE DON'T NEED THEM.  
WE HAVE 2200 ALMOST COPS WHO DO  
A GREAT JOB.  
THERE IS 365 OTHER TOWNS THAT  
COULD USE THE SERVICES OF THE  
STATE POLICE THAN THE MASS PORT.  
IT IS OVER STATISTICIAN

--

SATURATION.  
AND WE HAVE THIS AREA COVERED,  
IT DOESN'T TAKE A WHOLE LOT MORE  
RESOURCES.  
I DON'T KNOW WHY THE FIGHT IS SO  
GREAT ABOUT THIS WHEN THEY HAVE  
SO MANY OTHER AREAS ACROSS THE  
STATE TO PATROL.  
AND AGAIN I SAID, IT IS  
JUVENILE.  
YOU CAN'T HAVE IT, IT'S OTHERS,  
IT'S PART OF THE CITY.  
HOW DO WE JUSTIFY THE BOSTON  
FIRE AND BOSTON E.M.S. GOING,  
PAYING CITY TAXES BUT THEY DON'T  
GET THE CITY RESOURCES, THAT  
BRINGS A DIFFERENT SPECTRUM OF  
SERVICES, WHETHER IT IS THE  
SEXUAL ASSAULT UNIT, THE BIKE  
UNIT, GANG UNIT.  
WE SPECIALIZE.  
WE'RE GETTING LOCAL COPS WHO  
KNOW THE CITY PATROLLING THAT  
NEIGHBORHOOD.  
THE STATE COMES FROM ALL OVER  
THE STATE.  
SOMEONE ASKS YOU DIRECTIONS, HOW  
DO YOU GET THERE?  
I DON'T KNOW, I AM FROM THIS  
PART OF THE STATE, I DON'T KNOW.  
IT MAKES SENSE.  
>> AND CHIEF, I KNOW YOU WANTED  
TO WEIGH IN A LITTLE BIT.  
>> I SURE DO.  
>> I SEE YOU AT SO MANY EVENTS  
AND YOU DO AN EXCELLENT JOB OF  
KEEPING THE PUBLIC INFORMED OF  
WHAT'S HAPPENING.  
YOU'RE VERY TRANSPARENT.  
YOU'RE IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS.  
YOU'RE DOING A LOT OF COMMUNITY  
POLICING, ALONG WITH THE  
SUPERINTENDENT.  
AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT IS GREAT

ABOUT THE BOSTON POLICE, IS THE  
OPEN DIALOGUE WITH THE  
COMMUNITY.

ARE YOU GOING TO GIVE A LITTLE  
BACKGROUND ON THAT AND HOW IT  
RELATES TO THIS ISSUE AS WELL.

>> YES, THANK YOU ALL THE  
COUNCILORS FOR ATTENDING.  
GOOD MORNING EVERYONE.

YOU KNOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE IN  
THESE TIMES, THE 21ST CENTURY,  
THAT WE'RE EVEN HAVING A  
DISCUSSION ABOUT SEGREGATION,  
NON-INCLUSION AND EXCLUSION.  
THAT'S TOTALLY RIDICULOUS TO ME.  
WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE  
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, A  
PLACE THAT BEGAN THIS ENTIRE  
NATION.

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A CITY THAT  
WAS UNDER ATTACK TWICE FROM  
TERRORISTS AND WE TOGETHER  
DEFEATED THAT.

SO EVEN IN THE 21ST CENTURY  
STUDY ON POLICING, AGAIN AS THE  
COMMISSIONER STATED, PRESIDENT  
OBAMA SAID IF YOU WANT TO LEARN  
ABOUT COMMUNITY POLICING  
PREPAREDNESS LOOK TO THE BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT.

I CANNOT BELIEVE AGAIN THAT  
WE'RE DISCUSSING SEGREGATION.  
THIS IS ALSO ABOUT DOMESTIC  
PREPAREDNESS, DEFENDING THE  
CITY, DEFENDING THIS  
COMMONWEALTH.

THERE IS NO JUSTIFICATION FOR  
SAYING THIS.

WE CAN TRAIN TOGETHER, WE CAN  
SHARE INFORMATION, BUT WHEN IT  
COMES TO REALTIME, NOT YOU.

IF THERE IS A FIRE, THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT CAN RESPOND, E.M.S.  
CAN RESPOND BUT NOT YOU.

IS THIS WHAT WE WANT TO SEND OUT  
AS A MESSAGE TO ANYONE THAT'S  
LOOKING IN?

OH, YOU'RE FINE, BUT NOT YOU.  
YOU KNOW, WE WORK HARD TO END  
SEGREGATION AND WE NEED TO WORK  
HARDER TO MAKE SURE WE ARE ON A  
UNIFIED FRONT.

ANY STUDY, ANY TESTIMONIES WILL  
SHOW THAT THE ONLY PEOPLE

BENEFITING FROM SEGREGATION,  
PRETTY MUCH THE BAD GUYS, PEOPLE  
THAT DON'T WANT TO DO THE RIGHT  
THING.

SO THEY DON'T SEE US ON A  
UNIFIED FRONT.

IT'S KIND OF LIKE WOW, BOSTON  
POLICE CAN'T GO THERE, THESE  
GUYS AREN'T WORKING TOGETHER,  
THEY'RE AT ODDS.

THAT IS NOT THE MESSAGE TO SEND,  
ESPECIALLY IN THE 21ST CENTURY.  
WE SHOULD BE PAST AGAIN  
SEGREGATION, NONINCLUSION AND  
EXCLUSION.

AND IN CLOSING, I SPEAK TO A LOT  
OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS, BOTH  
THE STATE HOUSE LEVEL AND THE  
CITY OF BOSTON THERE IS NO  
JUSTIFICATION FOR NOT DOING THE  
RIGHT THING FOR YOUR  
CONSTITUENCY.

NONE AT ALL.

HOW CAN YOU EVEN EXPLAIN  
YOURSELF WHEN YOU DON'T EVEN  
SHOW UP TO TALK ABOUT THE SAFETY  
OF THE CITY OF BOSTON?

THIS IS ABOUT OUR CONSTITUENCY  
AND THE PEOPLE WE SERVE.

AND I'M GLAD WE'RE AT THE  
FOREFRONT AND WE'RE WILLING TO  
SPEAK AND WE'RE WILLING TO  
DISCUSS ANYTHING THAT HAS TO DO  
WITH THE SAFETY OF OUR CITY.

AND I JUST THINK SOME FOLKS ARE  
DROPPING THE BALL WHEN IT COMES  
TO PROTECTING THEIR  
CONSTITUENCY.

THOSE ARE THE COLD, HARD FACTS.  
LET'S END THIS NON-INCLUSION OF  
LAW ENFORCEMENT ENTITIES.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THE RECORD SHOWS WE ARE JOINED  
BY CITY COUNCILOR AT LARGE  
ANNISSA ESSAIBI GEORGE.

>> BASED ON THAT TESTIMONY, TO  
THE CHIEF, CAN MASS PORT AND/OR  
THE STATE POLICE, CAN YOU STATE  
I GUESS ONE GOOD REASON WHY WE  
SHOULD NOT HAVE CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION?

>> I WOULD DEFER TO THE  
LEGISLATURE AND THE ONGOING  
DISCUSSION ON MOU'S.

>> CAN SOMEONE TAKE ME THROUGH  
A 911 CALL, AT THE END OF THE  
DAY SAFETY, SOMEONE CALLING 911  
THEY PROBABLY DON'T CARE IF IT  
IS A BOSTON COP, STATE COP OR  
MASS COP, THEY JUST NEED HELP  
FROM SOMEONE.

IT CAN BE E.M.S. OR THE FIRE  
DEPARTMENT.

TAKE ME THROUGH A 911 CALL.  
SAY I AM A RESIDENT LIVING IN  
ONE OF THE CONDOS ON NORTHERN  
AVENUE.

SAY I AM A GUEST AT THE RESS  
RENAISSANCE HOTEL, A PATRON OF  
DEL FRISCOS, OR A MOTORIST WHO  
CALLS 911 FROM A CELL PHONE, A  
TOTAL -- HOTEL ROOM, RESIDENTS  
OR BUSINESS.

>> 911 IS RECORDED, WHAT IS THE  
NATURE OF YOUR CALL.

>> WE FIND OUT THE NATURE AND  
WHO GETS IT FIRST?

BOSTON, WE GET IT.

>> WHETHER IT IS FROM A RES

-- RESIDENTIAL OR CELL PHONE.

>> LET'S SAY IT IS A LOUD PARTY.  
WE GET A LOT OF PARTIES DOWN  
THERE, WE TAKE IT AND REFER IT  
TO FRAMINGHAM AND THEY HAVE TO  
SEND IT TO PROBABLY THE MASS  
PORT OR STATE POLICE TO ANSWER A  
HOUSE CALL, WHICH IS CRAZY THAT  
YOU HAVE TROOPERS AND MARITIME  
COPS ANSWERING HOUSE CALLS OR  
BAR FIGHTS.

JUST LISTEN TO THAT, THAT IS THE  
MOST RIDICULOUS THING YOU EVER  
HEARD, BUT THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS  
ON THAT.

BUT IF THERE'S REALLY AN  
EMERGENCY LIKE SOMEONE WITH A  
GUN OR ACTIVE SHOOTER, I DON'T  
CARE ABOUT THE JURISDICTION, I  
DON'T REALLY DON'T.

WE'LL GO IN BECAUSE OUR DISTRICT  
STATION IS NOT FAR AWAY.

WE HAVE PATROLS ABUTTING IT.

WE GO TO B STREET AND THERE IS A  
WALL AND WE PICK IT UP ON THE  
OTHER SIDE.

SO WE'RE DOWN THERE.

IN AN EMERGENCY WE'RE GOING TO

GET THERE.

THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THEN WE HAVE TO TURN THE WHOLE INVESTIGATION OVER FOR THEM TO CONDUCT.

SO IT'S SO DYSFUNCTIONAL HERE.

WHAT IS SAID TO ME, EVERYONE YOU TALK TO GENERALLY, THE ELECTED, STEVEN LYNCH HAS COME OUT FOR DUAL JURISDICTION. AND TALKING TO CONNOLLY, HE IS TROUBLED BY THE SET-UP, THE GLOBE, THE HERRALD, AND I HAVE THE MOST RESPECT, BUT TO HEAR YOU HAVE TO REFER TO A LEGISLATURE BECAUSE WE CAN'T GET A REASON WHY, IT IS RIDICULOUS. I WENT TO THE LEGISLATURE AND TESTIFIED AND ASKED THEM THE SAME REASON AND NOBODY CAN GIVE ME THE REASON.

WE ALL PROBABLY KNOW THE REASON, NO ONE HAS THE COURAGE TO FIX IT.

BECAUSE WHETHER IT IS UNION OR WHAT NOT, BUT IT JUST SHOWS YOU SOMETIMES HOW POLITICS SOMETIMES CAN BE DYSFUNCTIONAL.

THIS IS ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY. IT'S NOT ABOUT IT'S MINE, IT'S YOURS.

THIS IS ABOUT DOING THE RIGHT THEY THINK HERE.

>> WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THE CRIME STAT PIECE OF IT, THAT'S ON THE BACK END.

THE FRONT END IN TERMS OF RESPONSE TIMES ARE WE TRACKING THE RESPONSE TIMES?

I CALL 911, A SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE STATE POLICE, MASS POLICE, ARGUING WHO CAN COME INTO THE BUILDING AND THERE IS A CRISIS ON THE 10TH FLOOR.

>> I THINK ALL THREE GO AND THEN --

>> AND SORT IT OUT AFTER?

>> AND THEY SORT OUT WHO IS GOING TO -- OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE TO PULL OUT AT THAT POINT BECAUSE THEY HAVE AGAIN SOLE JURISDICTION.

SOLE.

THAT'S AGAIN THE MOST RIDICULOUS THING I HAVE EVER HEARD.



WE CAN GO ON THE EXPRESSWAY  
BECAUSE WE HAVE CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION.

WE CAN GO ON THE BEACHES BECAUSE  
WE HAVE CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.  
FOR SOME CRAZY REASON, MASS PORT  
HAS, AND THE LEGISLATURE HAS  
SUPPORTED IT, THESE ARE LIKE,  
YOU KNOW, WALLED BARRIERS THAT  
WE CAN'T GO INTO.

NO WHERE ELSE IN THE STATE IS  
THIS LUDICROUS SET-UP.

AND THAT'S WHY WE ARE SO  
ADAMANT, I HATE TO BE A PAIN ALL  
THE TIME FIGHTING THIS ISSUE,  
BUT IT IS DYSFUNCTIONAL, AND IT  
IS ALL ABOUT POLITICS AND NOT  
PUBLIC SAFETY.

>> BACK IN 1997 DO WE KNOW WHO  
FILES THE REGULATION OR WHO  
REPRESENTED IT?

>> I AM NOT SURE, TIED TO THE  
TRANSPORTATION BILL.

WAY HAD IT.

IT IS NOT LIKE THEY HAD IT  
FOREVER.

AND I REMEMBER PATROLLING  
JIMMY'S HARBOR SIDE AND THE  
WHOLE AREA WAS US.

SOMEONE SNUCK IN A BILL AND TOOK  
IT AWAY FROM US AND WE HAVE BEEN  
FIGHTING FOR 10 YEARS TO GET IT  
BACK.

IT IS NOT ALL AFTER SUDDEN WE  
WANT IT IT WAS OURS AND NOW NO  
ONE WANTS TO FIX IT.

AND THOSE PEOPLE ARE DENIED THE  
BEST POLICE AGENCY ON COMMUNITY  
POLICING THAT ANYBODY CAN  
PROVIDE.

>> IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING AT  
SOME POINT, AND IT PREDATES YOU  
AS THE COMMISSIONER AND THE  
CHIEF AS THE CHIEF, PREDATES THE  
CITY AND STATE ADMINISTRATION,  
BUT THE PREVIOUS  
ADMINISTRATIONS, I WAS TOLD  
THERE WAS AN MOU AND PARTIES  
WERE AT THE TABLE.

AND IT WAS ABOUT TO BE SIGNED  
AND EITHER A SENTENCE OR WORD  
WAS EITHER INSERTED OR DELETED  
AND THEN THE FORMER COMMISSIONER  
DAVIS WAS ORDERED TO STEP BACK

FROM THE TABLE AND NOT SIGN IT.  
CAN ANYONE SHED ANY LATE ON THAT  
MOU?

>> AGAIN, MOU'S DON'T WORK,  
COUNCILOR.

GIVEN THIS WHOLE DISPUTE, SAYING  
IT FEEDS -- NEEDS A LEGISLATIVE  
FIX.

IF WE ENTER A MOU WE WILL NOT  
HAVE JURISDICTION IN THE SENSE  
WE CAN MAKE ARRESTS.

WE WOULD BASICALLY BECOME  
SECURITY GUYS.

IF WE WERE INVOLVED IN A SHOOT  
DOWN THE STATE POLICE  
INVESTIGATE IT.

IT IS A LUDICROUS SET-UP.  
WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE SPECIAL  
POLICE.

WE ARE APPLIED RECOGNIZED  
NATIONALLY, WE SHOULD BE WORKING  
CONCURRENTLY DOWN THERE, NOT  
WORKING FOR SOMEBODY.

I THINK WE DO A GREAT JOB.  
CRIME CONTINUES TO BE GOING DOWN  
IN THE CITY THROUGH THE GREAT  
WORK OF THE MEN AND WOMEN IN  
THIS DEPARTMENT.

WE HAVE 2200 OFFICERS IN OUR  
CITY AND THEY HAVE 2200 IN THE  
STATE COVERING 365 COMMUNITIES.  
AND I THINK THE STATE CAN USE  
THEM ON THE BEACHES AND HIGHWAYS  
ALL ACROSS THIS STATE.

>> AND CHIEF, MASS PORT POLICE  
AND STATE POLICE, DO YOU TRACK  
THE CRIME IN TERMS OF THE LEVEL  
ONE, AND DO YOU KEEP TRACK AND  
THROUGH THE CHEER CAN BE SUBMIT  
THE LAST TWO OR THREE YEARS OF  
CRIMES WHERE MASS PORT OR STATE  
POLICE INVESTIGATED OR RESPONDED  
TO THE CALL OR REPORTED FOR THE  
CALL AND/OR -- DOES THAT GO TO  
SOUTH BOSTON OR WHERE IS THE  
JURISDICTION.

>> SOUTH BOSTON.

THE POT ONE CRIMES, BUT I  
BELIEVE THEY TO BE EXTREMELY  
MINIMAL IF AT ALL.

I HAVE TO DEFER --

>> I WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHAT, IF  
ANY, DATA COLLECTED BY THE MASS  
PORT OR STATE POLICE ON CAUSE,

CRIMES, 911, DOMESTICS.  
AND THE COMMISSIONER IS SAYING  
MOU IS NOT THE RESULT, SO ARE  
THERE PARTS OF THE CITY WHERE IS  
THERE ANY TRADEOFF WHERE WE CAN  
GET CONCURRENT  
INJURE -- JURISDICTION.  
ANY PARTS THEY WISH TO HAVE  
CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WHERE  
THEY CURRENTLY DON'T?  
>> THEY HAVE JURISDICTION TLUT  
THE -- THROUGHOUT THE STATE.  
THERE IS NO PLACE THEY CAN'T GO.  
THAT'S MY ARGUMENT, THEY HAVE  
THE WHOLE STATE AND CITY TO  
COVER.  
AND THAT IS WHAT TROUBLES ME.  
YOU JUST HEARD THERE IS NOTHING  
GOING ON DOWN THERE.  
IF THERE IS NOTHING GOING ON  
DOWN THERE, WHY DO WE NEED THEM  
DOWN THERE?  
WE CAN PICK IT UP WITH A COUPLE  
OF OFFICERS.  
THAT'S THE LUDICROUS OFFICERS.  
WHAT IS THE BIG DEAL IF THERE IS  
NOTHING GOING ON DOWN THERE.  
EVEN WITH THE CONCURRENT THEY  
CAN HAVE ANY DETAIL THEY WANT  
DOWN THERE, IT IS NOT ABOUT THE  
MONEY.  
IT IS ABOUT PROTECTING RESIDENTS  
WITH CITY POLICE.  
YOU JUST HEARD, THERE IS NOTHING  
GOING ON DOWN THERE, SO WHY THE  
FIGHT?  
WE HAVE POLICE RESOURCES THAT  
HAVE TO STOP AT B STREET AND  
PICK IT UP BY THE PAVILION AND  
IT GOES ALL WAIT OUT TO SUMMER  
STREET.  
AND THAT'S THEIR WAY GOING UP TO  
SOUTH BOSTON.  
IF NOTHING GOING ON.  
>> AND DOWN OFF E STREET  
AND -- DO YOU HAVE JURISDICTION?  
>> NO.  
EVERYWHERE AS PORT THEY HAVE  
EXCUSE -- EXCLUSIVE  
JURISDICTION.  
>> AND THE MAIN ARTERY THAT RUNS  
DOWN THERE DO THEY HAVE  
JURISDICTION?  
>> MBTA, IT IS SIMILAR

THROUGHOUT THE STATE.  
BUT I THINK THEY REALIZE THAT IT  
IS BETTER TO WORK TOGETHER.  
BUT WE HAVE THE SAME ISSUE IN  
EAST BOSTON, IN CHARLESTOWN  
BECAUSE THEY ARE BUILDING AND  
BUILDING ON MASS PROPERTY OUT  
THERE.  
LITTLE BY LITTLE WE'RE LOSING  
INJURE -- JURISDICTION.  
AND WALKING THE DOG BY TOMMY  
BUTLER, THE PARK DOWN THERE, IF  
SOMETHING HAPPENS WE DON'T HAVE  
INJURE HE IS -- JURISDICTION.  
A LOT MORE BUILT BY MASS PORT  
AND DON'T HAVE JURISDICTION.  
AND THAT'S WHY I HOPED THAT THEY  
WOULD BE HERE TO TELL US ONE  
GOOD REASON.  
I DON'T THINK WE HEARD A REASON.  
>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
>> GOOD MORNING EVERYONE.  
I AM HERE MOSTLY JUST TO SUPPORT  
MY COLLEAGUES AND I THANK YOU  
FOR KEEPING THIS ON THE FRONT  
BURNER.  
WE VOTED ON THE COUNCIL ONCE TO  
SUPPORT THIS.  
WHEN IT DIDN'T WORK, I AM GLAD  
WE ARE ASKING QUESTIONS IN  
REALTIME TODAY.  
I THINK THE CURRENT SITUATION IS  
ABSOLUTELY ABSURD.  
IT'S A THREAT TO THE HEALTH AND  
SAFETY OF OUR RESIDENTS.  
IT DEPRIVES THE CITY OF BOSTON  
OF OUR AUTHORITY WITHIN  
MUNICIPAL JURISDICTION, WITHIN  
THE BOUNDARIES OF OUR CITY.  
AND IT DEPRIVES THE RESIDENTS OF  
THE AREA OF THE BENEFIT OF A  
WELL-TRAINED POLICE FORCE KNOWN  
FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT,  
COMMUNITY POLICING.  
THAT HELPS BUILT AND SUPPORT A  
NEIGHBORHOOD AND I WOULDN'T WISH  
THIS ON ANY NEIGHBORHOOD IN  
BOSTON, BUT IN PARTICULAR THIS  
IS POTENTIALLY THE FASTEST  
GROWING PART OF THE CITY RIGHT  
NOW.  
THE POPULATION EXPECTED TO  
DOUBLE IN THE NEXT 10 TO 15  
YEARS.

SO WE'RE REALLY NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT BARS AND CLUBS AND VISITORS AND TOURISTS, ALL OF WHICH ARE IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE ARE SUPPORTED WITH PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT A REAL NEIGHBORHOOD THAT IS GROWING AND ONE OF THE LARGEST.

IT WILL BE ONE OF THE LARGEST SUBNEIGHBORHOODS IN THE CITY, THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT.

SO I JUST DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT TO SAY WITH THIS SITUATION.

IT HAS DRAGGED ON AND ON AND IT'S BEEN GOING SINCE EVEN BEFORE I WAS HERE.

I GUESS I AM INTERESTED, COMMISSIONER, I'VE HAD THE BENEFIT OF SITTING IN ON SOME OF YOUR COM STAT SECTIONS AND KNOW HOW YOU TRACK.

AND I KNOW WHAT DATA YOU DON'T GET AND HOW DOES COM STAT WORK WITH THE REST OF THE CITY?

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING?

>> YESTERDAY WE HAD COM STAT WHERE DORCHESTER AND SOUTH BOSTON AND WE LOOKED AT SOUTH BOSTON'S CRIME RATE.

WE DON'T GET INFORMATION FROM THE SEAPORT.

WHEN WE LOOK AT THE OVERALL PICTURE OF WHETHER CRIME IS UP OR DOWN, EVEN FOR UCR REPORTING ISSUES NATIONALLY, THAT DATA DOESN'T MAKE IT INTO OUR COM STAT.

IF THERE IS A RUSH OF CAR BREAKS WITHIN THAT AREA, WE REALLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT.

IF THERE IS A RASH OF SEXUAL ASSAULTS WE DON'T GET THE CALL TO, WE REALLY DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT.

LIKE I SAID BEFORE, A LOT OF PROBLEMS AROUND THE BARS.

WE DON'T REALLY KNOW ABOUT IT.

WHEN WE ARE REPORTING OUT ON THAT DISTRICT, THERE IS A SECTION, THAT WHOLE SECTION WE DON'T GET THOSE CRIME STATS AT ALL.

AND THE FESTIVAL, WE KNOW ABOUT THAT, BUT THE NUTS AND BOLTS OF

WHAT IS GOING ON, WE DON'T HEAR  
A WHOLE LOT.

I AM GLAD TO HEAR THERE ISN'T  
A.P. -- APPEAR TO BE A WHOLE  
LOT BUT IT IS A LITTLE MORE  
UPPITY ORGANIZATION, BUT IT IS A  
BLACK HOLE WE DON'T KNOW THE  
CRIME GOING ON, NO REPORTING  
MECHANISM.

>> THE OTHER QUESTION, I SEE THE  
LOOMING THREAT FOR THE AREA IN  
ADDITION TO THE FAST POPULATION  
GROWTH, HOW VULNERABLE IT IS TO  
CLIMATE CHANGE AND STORMS AND  
FLOODING.

EAST BOSTON, THE WATERFRONT,  
DOWN TOWARDS THERE IN  
PARTICULAR, BUT WE HAVE SEEN IT  
WHERE THE STREETS ARE FLOODED,  
IT IS HARD FOR AMBULANCES TO GET  
THROUGH IN THOSE SITUATIONS.  
WHAT IS THE PLAN RIGHT NOW FROM  
THE STATE POLICE AND MASS PORT  
POLICE WHEN IT COMES TO  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND  
TRAINING FOR EVERYTHING THAT  
HAPPENS IN THAT SITUATION?

>> I WILL GO BACK TO THE LARGEST  
STORM IN JANUARY.

I THINK IT ACTUALLY WORKED  
SEAMLESS WITH CAPTAIN BOYLE'S  
TEAM HAVE SOUTH BOSTON IN TERMS  
OF BLOCKING OFF AREAS WITH HIGH  
TIDE.

AND THE MASS PORT HAS A  
DEPARTMENT LOOKING AT THIS  
LONG-TERM AND THEY ARE ENGAGED  
IN IT.

AND I AM SURE THEY ENGAGED THE  
CITY FOR A LONG-TERM PLAN BUT I  
CAN'T SPEAK TO THE CLIMATE  
CHANGE ISSUE, OTHER THAN  
FLOODING WITH HIGH TIDES AND IT  
RAN THE GAMUT UP TO ALMOST THE  
LOCAL BRING.

ENGAING WITH BPD AND THE STATE,  
TO SHUT IT DOWN, IT WORKED WELL.

>> WE WILL BE LUCKY IN THE  
FUTURE IF THE ONLY THING WE HAVE  
TO DO IS BLOCK OFF ROADS.

AND I WORRY WILL MEDICAL  
EMERGENCIES AND NEEDING TO GET  
THROUGH, OTHER RESIDENTS NEEDING  
HELP OR ASSAULT, OR HE SHALL USE

WITH STRAY VOLTAGE THAT WE WILL  
HAVE A HEARING ON LATER.  
COMMISSIONER, ANY THOUGHTS HOW  
THE BOSTON POLICE WOULD APPROACH  
THAT TYPE OF SITUATION AND THE  
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY'S  
EMERGENCY PLANNING?

>> I KNOW WE'RE WORKING VERY  
CLOSELY WITH RENEE FIELDING ON  
THE FLOODING DOWN THERE THE  
MAYOR TAKES IT VERY SERIOUS.  
THE FLOODING DOWN THERE.  
THANK GOD IT WASN'T ANYMORE  
SERIOUS.

I THINK AS FAR AS EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT STUFF GOES WE  
COOPERATE VERY WELL.  
ONE OF THE ISSUES DOWN THERE,  
ALSO, IS THE WHOLE IDEA OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION PLAN, THE  
COMPREHENSIVE.

IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO  
HAVE THREE DIFFERENT AGENCIES  
TRYING TO GET TRAFFIC OUT OF  
THERE EVERY TIME.

AND ALSO, WE DON'T COMMUNICATE.  
THEY ARE ON A WHOLE DIFFERENT  
CHANNEL.

IF YOU ARE ON B STREET THIS SIDE  
OF THE INTERSECTION, WE DON'T  
KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON ACROSS THE  
STREET BECAUSE WE'RE ALL ON  
SEPARATE CHANNELS HERE.

SO THERE IS NO CLEAR  
COMMUNICATION.

THERE'S NO CLEAR UNISON OF  
EFFORT WHEN WE HAVE AN INCIDENT  
LIKE THAT ALL ON DIFFERENT  
CHANNELS FOR THE MOST PART.  
AND I KNOW THEY EXPERIENCE MAJOR  
TRAFFIC ISSUES DOWN THERE EVERY  
NIGHT, WHICH I KNOW THE MAYOR IS  
WORKING ON.

BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO  
HAVE THREE DIFFERENT AGENCIES ON  
THREE DIFFERENT CHANNELS TRYING  
TO FACILITATE EMERGENCY  
SERVICES, AS WELL AS  
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DOWN  
THERE.

SO THAT'S ANOTHER BIG ISSUE.

>> ALL RIGHT.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THANK YOU ALL.

>> THANK YOU COUNCIL.  
BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE, LET  
THE RECORD SHOW WE ARE JOINED BY  
CITY COUNCILOR KIM JANEY.  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE.  
>> THANK YOU, CHAIR.  
AND THANK YOU TO THE SPONSORS OF  
THIS ORDER.  
I THINK THAT IF I CAN USE YOUR  
WORDS, COMMISSIONER EVANS, THIS  
WHOLE CONVERSATION IS, THE  
SITUATION I SUPPOSE IS VERY  
JUVENILE.  
AND I WONDER ON THE DATA AND  
GETTING THE INFORMATION ABOUT  
THE PART ONE CRIMES THIS  
PARTICULAR, BUT ALL THE DATA  
FROM DOWN THERE.  
IS THERE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US  
EITHER AS A COUNCIL TO SUBPOENA  
THAT DATA?  
I AM WONDERING IF MAYBE THROUGH  
THE CHAIR, OR IF THERE IS ANY  
KNOWLEDGE OF A WAY WE CAN  
-- CAN ACCESS THAT DATA AS A  
BODY.  
COUNCILOR MCCARTHY, OR COUNCILOR  
FLAHERTY, THROUGH HIS  
HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE.  
>> I THINK ONE WAY IS ULTIMATELY  
WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN WITH  
THE KNOWLEDGE WE WILL HAVE  
ANOTHER HEARING QUICK LIKE, TO  
MAKE SURE THE PEOPLE INVITED TO  
COME, THE COLONEL AND OTHERS ARE  
HERE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION  
DIRECTLY.  
>> AND IT IS ALSO EMBARRASSING  
TO KNOW THE STATE POLICE ARE NOT  
PRESENT FOR THIS MEETING.  
AND IT CERTAINLY DEMONSTRATES  
WHAT THE CHIEF IS SAYING ABOUT  
THIS LACK OF A UNIFIED FRONT.  
SO I DON'T -- AND I THINK, YOU  
KNOW, MY QUESTIONS WOULD  
PROBABLY BE BEST ANSWERED BY THE  
STATE POLICE REGARDING TYPES OF  
CRIMES, THE RATE OF CRIME.  
BUT ALSO DATA ON ANY OTHER  
RESPONSE TIMES.  
WOULD WE HAVE THAT?  
THE AVERAGE RESPONSE TIME TO A  
911 CALL.



>> I'M NOT SURE, WE DON'T GET THAT.  
>> SO IT'S FRUSTRATED.  
AND I THINK IRRESPONSIBLE FOR THE STATE POLICE TO NOT BE PRESENT TODAY.  
THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR QUESTIONS.  
THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE.  
>> AND COUNCILOR JANEY STEPS BACK OUT.  
ANYTHING FURTHER?  
>> MAYBE TO THE CHIEF, MASS PORT CHIEF.  
THE STATE POLICE IS OBVIOUSLY NOT HERE.  
DO WE HAVE AN IDEA OF HOW MANY STATE TROOPERS CURRENTLY ARE PATROLLING THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT AT ANY GIVEN TIME?  
>> THE NUMBER FLUCTUATES.  
I KNOW IT IS AN ADEQUATE NUMBER.  
I KNOW ALWAYS AT LEFT TWO TROOPERS ASSIGNED FROM OTHER PERSONNEL BUT YOU HAVE TO GET THAT INFORMATION DIRECTLY --  
>> TWO TROOPERS ALWAYS PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT THE SOUTH WATERFRONT?  
>> CORRECT.  
>> I KNOW FROM GOING TO DIFFERENT COMMUNITY MEETINGS, THERE IS ONE AT ANDREW SQUARE RECENTLY, THAT THE BOSTON POLICE WAS THERE, BUT SOMEONE WAS MENTIONING FROM THE SOUTH BOSTON BARRACKS TO BELIEVE BRAINTREE ONLY TWO TROOPERS WORKING AT A TIME.  
AND THEY STILL HAVE TROOPERS AT THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT.  
>> THAT WOULD BE -- VERSUS THE PATROL VERSES THAT TROUPE AT THE SEAPORT.  
I BELIEVE THAT WOULD BE THE RESPONSE TO THAT.  
SO TWO DIFFERENT TROUPES.  
AND I DON'T KNOW WHICH IT HAS FROM --  
>> I THINK IT IS ONLY LIKE TWO OR THREE TROOPERS AT ONE TIME.  
ONE IN THE BARRACKS, NOT ENOUGH OBVIOUSLY.  
>> I DON'T KNOW, COUNCILOR.  
>> AND THEN MY OTHER QUESTION, I

KNOW COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE  
ANNOUNCED THE STATE POLICE ARE  
NOT HERE, AS A DISTRICT CITY  
COUNCILOR THAT WOULD BE  
IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT THE CRIME  
STATS SAY IN THE SOUTH BOSTON  
WATERFRONT.

WE GO TO COMMUNITY MEET TLGS  
EVERY TEAM, EVERY NIGHT TALKING  
TO RESIDENTS AND NOT KNOWING  
ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE  
SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, IT IS  
NOT HELPFUL TO US.

SO I JUST THINK THEY'RE DOING A  
POOR JOB OF COMMUNICATING NOT  
ONLY WITH THE ELECTED OFFICIALS,  
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WITH THE  
NEIGHBORS IN THATARY -- THAT  
AREA.

THEY DESERVE TO BE TREATED WITH  
RESPECT.

LIVE THERE, PAY THE SAME LEVEL  
OF TAXES AND WANT THE SAME LEVEL  
OF CITY SERVICES.

THEY WANT THE BOSTON POLICE  
PATROLLING THE SOUTH BOSTON  
WATERFRONT AND I AM LOOKING  
FORWARD TO TALKING WITH THE  
STATE POLICE WHEN THEY DO  
ARRIVE.

>> COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

>> CHIEF, HOW ARE THE PATROLS  
DIVIDED BETWEEN THE MASS PORT  
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND STATE  
POLICE?

>> WE ARE ARE ON THE SAME RADIO  
CHANNELS.

WE MEET DAILY.

DEPENDING ON WHAT MAY BE GOING  
ON, FOCUS ON -- TODAY, FOR  
EXAMPLE, THERE ARE GRADUATIONS  
DOWN THERE.

IT IS GRADUATION SEASON.

IT IS VERY BUSY.

ALSO A CRUISE SHIP IS IN.

THE AREA IS VERY BUSY, BUT WE  
INTERACT FREQUENTLY AND SHARE  
INFORMATION AND WORK THAT  
THROUGH.

>> I GUESS IS HAVE DAILY  
MANPOWER?

FOR EXAMPLE, EVERY DAY MONDAY  
THROUGH FRIDAY, AND/OR SEVEN  
DAYS A WEEK THERE IS X-AMOUNT OF

MASS PORT POLICE OFFICERS  
ASSIGNED TO THE AREA, THERE IS  
X-AMOUNT OF STATE POLICE, AND  
THEN IN AN INCIDENCE LIKE TODAY,  
PROBABLY AT THE PAVILION A  
GRADUATION CEREMONY AND THE  
CRUISE SHIP.

>> PAN POWER AND SPECIAL EVENTS.  
>> CAN WE GET A LIST OF DAILY  
STAFFING, 24/7 SO WE CAN GET AN  
IDEA THROUGH THE COMMITTEE HOW  
MANY MASS PORT POLICE OFFICERS  
ARE DOWN THERE ON A GIVEN DAY OR  
SHIFT, AND HOW MANY STATE POLICE  
ARE DOWN THERE ON A GIVEN SHIFT.  
THAT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO SEE  
WHAT WE HAVE FOR MAN POWER DOWN  
THERE, THROUGH THE CHAIR IF YOU  
DON'T MIND.

AND THEN ALSO, THE NUMBER OF NEW  
RESIDENTS DOWN THERE.

COUNCILOR WU REFERENCED THAT.  
AND SEEING 97 REALLY ISN'T A  
LOT, BUT DO WE KNOW THE ACTUAL  
NUMBER OF RESIDENTS DOWN IN THE  
SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT PORTION  
THAT BPD DOES NOT HAVE  
CONCURRENT JURISDICTION ON?

>> TWO RESIDENTIAL DEPARTMENTS,  
BUT DO I NOT HAVE THE CURRENT  
OCCUPANCY FOR TOTAL FOLKS LIVING  
IN THOSE APARTMENTS.  
NOT INCLUDING THE HOTEL.

>> AND MORE COMING DOWN AS YOU  
ENTER -- PARCEL K, I AM SORRY.  
THAT WILL BE ANOTHER  
RESIDENTIAL.

>> AND HOTEL RESIDENTIAL.  
>> HOTEL RESIDENTIAL, GOT YOU.  
AND JUST THE FULL OF BOTH  
RESIDENTIAL AND HOTEL GIFTS ON  
ANY GIVEN DAY ON THE SOUTH  
BOSTON WATERFRONT WE DON'T  
CURRENTLY HAVE CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION.

COMMISSIONER DO WE TRACK LICENSE  
VIOLATIONS, A FIGHT OR SOMEONE  
HITS SOMEONE WITH A BOTTLE?

>> THE ONLY ISSUE IT IS RELEVANT  
AND IMPORTANT TO US, AND AGAIN  
YOU USE THE EXAMPLE OF THIS ONE  
WOMAN CALLING ME TELLING ME THIS  
PLACE IS OUT OF CONTROL.  
WHEN I CALL THE LICENSING BOARD

THERE'S NOT ONE VIOLATION  
AGAINST THEM.  
SO THEY MIGHT TURN SOME OVER,  
BUT FOR THE MOST PART, YOU KNOW,  
WE HAVE LICENSING UNITS THAT DO  
THAT ACROSS THE CITIES.  
>> SO YOU HAVE THE LICENSING  
UNIT ARE THEY STILL ABLE TO GO  
DOWN --  
>> THEY GO IN AND CHECK THE  
LICENSE AND THE PLACE, BUT IF  
THEY HAVE TO MAKE AN ARREST,  
THEY HAVE NO INJURE HE IS  
-- JURISDICTION TO WRITE ANY.  
THE MOST PART USING THE EXAMPLE  
OF OVERCROWDING WHICH CAN BE A  
CRIMINAL OFFENSE.  
I AM NOT SURE WE CAN WRITE THEM  
UP BECAUSE WE HAVE NO  
JURISDICTION ON THAT.  
WE CAN WRITE THEM UP CIVILLY,  
BUT IF WE WERE TO SEE A CRIME IN  
THERE, THE LICENSING UNIT, BY  
THIS SOLE JURISDICTION WE  
WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO LOCK UP,  
EVEN THOUGH WE WERE THERE.  
IT SHOWS YOU HOW DYSFUNCTIONAL  
IT IS.  
IT IS OUR CITY LICENSES BUT WE  
HAVE TO JURISDICTION.  
>> SO -- DOING A GREAT JOB ON  
BEHALF OF THE CITY, SHE DEPENDS  
ON HER REPORTS WHEN SHE IS  
ISSUING A LICENSE PREMISE  
VIOLATION AND/OR TO SANCTION OR  
TAKE ACTION, ROLLING BACK OF THE  
HOURS.  
BUT SHE DEPENDS ON THE REPORT.  
SO I WILL OBVIOUSLY --  
>> WHEN THEY CALLED ON THIS  
PLACE, THE WOMAN SAID SHE CALLED  
ON THIS PARTICULAR PLACE.  
I CALLED CHRISTINE AND SHE  
DIDN'T HAVE ANY VIOLATIONS FOR  
THE PLACE.  
THAT'S THE TYPE OF STUFF WE DO.  
EVEN YESTERDAY I WAS ON JOE  
BOYLE WITH ALL THE  
ESTABLISHMENTS IN SOFT BOSTON  
WITH THE WARM WEATHER COMING WE  
HAVE TO MAKE SURE WINDOWS ARE  
CLOSED ON TIME.  
WE HAVE TO WATCH THEM BECAUSE I  
AM SURE COUNCILOR FLYNN AND

FLAHERTY I HEAR FROM MY  
NEIGHBORS.  
I DON'T WANT THE AREA TO GET OUT  
OF CONTROL.  
WE WATCH OUR BARS VERY CLOSELY.  
UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS THE NO  
MAN'S LAND FOR US.  
DON'T KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING IN  
THE BARS, WHAT IS HAPPENING IN  
CRIME, WE HAVE TO RELY ON THEM  
TO REFER TO US.

>> OK.

AND SHIPPING BACK OVER TO CHIEF.  
INSTANCE AFTER 911 CALL OR A BAR  
FIGHT, YOU RESPOND, EITHER MASS  
PORT POLICE RESPONDS OR STATE  
POLICE RESPONDS.  
THEY BREAK UP THE FIGHT, BUT ARE  
THEY MAKING REPORTS OR TURNING  
THE REPORTS OVER TO SOMEONE.  
THE CITY LICENSING BOARD IS NOT  
GETTING THE REPORTS.

DO THEY MAKE REPORTS AND WHERE  
DO THEY GO?

>> THE 911 RESPONSE THE  
COMMISSIONER IS CORRECT, BOSTON  
IS COMING ON A 911.  
WE NEVER TELL THEM NOT TO COME.  
BUT THE PARTICULAR OF AN  
INCIDENT, A 911 TO A BAR FIGHT,  
THE REPORT IS GENERATED THAT'S  
WHERE THE SEAPORT SERGEANT  
ASSIGNED DEALS DIRECTLY WITH THE  
DISTRICT AND FORWARD THE REPORT.  
>> AND THAT REPORT WOULD HAVE TO  
BE I GUESS FORWARDED TO THE  
CITY'S LICENSING DIVISION.  
SO THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE  
LICENSING BOARD CAN AT LEAST  
REVIEW THE REPORT AND TAKE  
NECESSARY ACTION.

>> I WOULDN'T SPEAK EXACTLY WHAT  
THEY DO, MY KNOWLEDGE IS THEY  
DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE DISTRICT.  
IF THE REPORT WERE GENERATED,  
WHATEVER THE DISTRICT WOULD DO  
WITH IT I IMAGINE IT IS THROUGH  
LICENSING.

>> IF AN INCIDENT HAPPENED ON A  
CRUISE SHIP OR ON THE  
WATERFRONT, SAME THING, 911  
CALLS, YOU GUYS SHOW UP AND THE  
REPORT WOULD BE MADE, TAKEN,  
TURNED OVER.

BUT THE CITY'S LICENSING BOARD HAS TO START -- IF THE CITY'S LICENSING BOARD IS NOT GETTING THOSE REPORTS, WHILE WE TRY TO FIGURE OUT THIS JURISDICTION, SO SOMETHING FALLS THROUGH THE CRACKS, I GUESS THROUGH YOU, CHIEF, YOUR OFFICE, THOSE REPORTS HAVE TO COME TO THE CITY'S LICENSING BOARD SO WE CAN TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

>> APPRECIATING THAT, I THINK OVER THE YEARS THE PROTOCOL HAS BECOME TO DEAL WITH THE DISTRICT, SO THE DISTRICT IS AWARE, AND THEN WE LEFT IT TO THEM TO NOTIFY THE LICENSING BOARD.

I DON'T THINK THERE HAS BEEN AN OCCURRENCE WHERE SP HAS NOTIFIED THE LICENSING BOARD DIRECTLY.

I DON'T WANT TO SAY WITH A CERTAINTY, BUT I BELIEVE IT TO BE THE CASE.

>> WHEN YOU REFERENCE YOU ARE NOT SEEING THE BOSTON C6 DISTRICT --

>> CAPTAIN BOYLE'S DIRECT.

>> TELL ME THROUGH, A 911 CALL TO DEL FRISCO, SOMEONE SLAMMED A BOTTLE OVER THE HEAD.

AND 911 CALL.

AND SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE INCIDENT, NOTHING IN WRITING.

AND YOU IN THE INVESTIGATION MAKE OUT A REPORT AND THEN YOU CSAY THERE WAS -- C6 WHERE A GUY SMASHED A BOTTLE OVER THE HEAD, AND YOU LEAVE IT UP TO C6 TO GET THE MESSAGE TO THE LICENSING BOARD?

>> AT THAT POINT, WHY KNOW IF IT WAS CERTAIN AT THAT BOSTON WOULD GENERATE THEIR OWN REPORT BASED ON THE 911 RESPONSE.

>> THAT HAS TO BE TIGHTENED UP A LITTLE BIT THIS THE INTERIM.

>> AND NORMALLY WE HAVE TO WRITE A VIOLATION.

IF WE HAVE A FIGHT, LET'S SAY, AT LINCOLN AND RIGHT AWAY THE OFFICER CALLED THE SERGEANT DOWN.

HE TALKS TO THE MANAGEMENT AND  
HE WILL ISSUE A LICENSE  
VIOLATION RIGHT ON THE SPOT.  
>> ON THE SPOT.  
BUT THAT'S --  
>> SO THAT IS NOT HAPPENING.  
>> THAT HAPPENS ON THE SPOT.  
WITH AN INCIDENTS LIKE THAT IT  
CAN BE PRETTY SERIOUS.  
>> IN REPORTING SOMETIMES THEY  
DON'T -- THE WAY THE REPORTING  
IS I THINK FOR THE STATE, THEY  
HAVE A COUPLE OF DAYS TO FILL  
OUT THEIR REPORT.  
AND I THINK SOMETIMES THEY FALL  
THROUGH THE CRACKS.  
WHERE, YOU KNOW, I NEED THE  
REPORTS EVERY MORNING AND I MAKE  
SURE IF THERE IS A FIGHT AT A  
LICENSED PREMISE THERE IS A  
VIOLATION WRITTEN BECAUSE THAT'S  
THE WAY WE MAKE SURE THESE  
PLACES ARE SAFE AND THAT THEY  
ARE RESPONSIVE TO THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD.  
NO ONE SHOULD HAVE TO LIVE WITH  
A PLACE THAT'S OUT OF CONTROL.  
AND THIS WOMAN SHOULDN'T BE  
CALLING ME SAYING NOBODY IS  
DOING ANYTHING ABOUT THIS PLACE  
WHEN I HAVE NO CLUE ABOUT  
ANYTHING GOING ON DOWN THERE.  
>> IN THE INTERIM WHILE WE TRY  
TO RESOLVE THE CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION OVER TO THE  
CHIEFISHING THINK WE NEED TO  
TIGHTEN IT UP.  
IN THE EVENT OF A LICENSE  
PREMISE VIOLATION, THERE HAS TO  
BE SORT OF A MECHANISM BY WHICH  
WE WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO CITE  
ON THE SPOT, LIKE THE  
COMMISSIONER DESCRIBED,  
PARAMOUNT TO PUBLIC SAFETY.  
AND GIVES THE CITY, PARTICULARLY  
THE CHAIRWOMAN OF THE LICENSING  
BOARD TO DO HER JOB.  
IF WE HAVE TO CURTAIL HOURS OF  
OPERATION, OR SUSPENSION FOR  
WHATEVER REASON, WHETHER IT IS  
OVERCROWDING, OVER SERVING,  
SERVING MINORS, PREMISE  
VIOLATIONS THAT MAY RESULT  
IN -- COULD BE FIGHTS, ANYTHING.

WE NEED THAT UPDATED INFORMATION  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF THERE IS  
A WAY ON YOUR END THROUGH YOUR  
DEPARTMENT WE CAN TIGHTEN UP THE  
MECHANISM THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

>> ULTIMATELY THAT WOULD WORK  
THROUGH A STATE POLICE  
INVESTIGATION, IT WOULD COME  
FROM THE STATE POLICE.

>> OK.

>> THANK YOU.

FOR THE RECORD WE HAVE BEEN  
JOINED BY CITY COUNCILOR LYDIA  
EDWARDS.

COMMISSIONER, A COUPLE OF  
QUESTIONS.

WE'VE TALKED ABOUT SEXUAL  
ASSAULT, DOMESTIC ASSAULT,  
ROBBERY.

AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD GETS GOING  
AND THAT NEIGHBORHOOD IS, AS YOU  
SAID, UPPER END OR WHATEVER.

WHAT ABOUT DRUGS?

DRUG UNIT.

WHO'S GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THAT  
STUFF?

BECAUSE I KNOW THAT YOU DEAL  
WITH THEM A LOT MORE THAN I DO  
OBVIOUSLY, THAT'S YOUR END OF  
THE STICK.

BUT HAVING SAID THAT, IF I KNOW  
THAT BOSTON DETECTIVES AREN'T  
GOING TO FOLLOW ME IN THERE, I  
KNOW THE DRUG UNIT IS NOT  
FOLLOWING ME IN THERE, WHAT  
WOULD STOP ME FROM GOING IN  
THERE AND WHY WOULDN'T I?

>> AGAIN, WE HAVE A VERY GOOD  
DRUG UNIT.

AND AGAIN, WE DON'T -- FITS' IN  
THAT AREA, THE REST WOULD BE  
QUESTIONABLE BECAUSE OF THE WAY  
THAT THE STATUTE, BUT HOPEFULLY  
WE WOULD TAKE THEM OUT BEFORE  
THEY GOT INTO THAT SORT OF NO  
MAN'S LAND.

BUT I DON'T KNOW WITH AN ISSUE  
LIKE THAT IS CORRECT -- I THINK  
THE ISSUE IS WHERE THEY HAVE THE  
CALL, THEN TURNED OVER TO THE  
STATE POLICE, THEN THEY TURN IT  
OVER -- IT SEEMS LIKE A REAL DUP

-- A DUPLICATION OF EFFORT.



AND THAT'S WHAT GUESS ON WITH A LOT OF THE INCIDENTS. IT SHOULDN'T BE THREE AGENCIES DEALING WITH ONE PARTICULAR ISSUE DONE THERE. THE DRUG UNIT ISSUE, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, TECHNICALLY BY STATUTE THERE IS NO RIGHT OF ARREST FROM B STREET ALL THE WAY OVER TO THE PAVILION. AND BOSTON, IN CHARLESTOWN, AND THAT'S THE ISSUE HERE. AND AGAIN, THE STATE POLICE ARE GREAT GROUP OF MEN AND WOMEN AND MASS PORT, TOO. THIS IS NOT PERSONAL AT ALL, IT IS JUST ABOUT THE WHOLE ISSUE WHICH AGAIN IS CRAZY HERE. WE SHOULD WORK TOGETHER, NOT AT ODDS HERE. BUT WHY THEY WANT TO HOLD ON TO THIS PIECE WHEN THEY HAVE SO MUCH AREA TO PATROL AROUND THE STATE IS BEYOND ME. WE SHOULD BE WORKING TOGETHER, NOT IN THIS DAY AND AGE OF TERROR HE -- TERRORISM THE LAST THING WE NEED NOT TO WORK TOGETHER.

>> I AM A MEMBER OF THE DRUG CONTROL UNIT FOR YEARS. AND I GUARANTEE YOU THE DRUG DEALERS KNOW WHERE TO GO THAT WE CAN'T GO. WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE NOT. AND THE FOLKS THAT BENEFIT FROM THE NON-UNIFIED FRONT ARE BAD PEOPLE.

>> I AM CONFIDENCE THEY ARE NOT WATCHING TODAY.

[LAUGHTER]

>> CHIEF THE LAST QUESTION FOR YOU, AND WE HAVE GONE AROUND AND AROUND AND AROUND AND I ASK THIS IN ALL SINCERELITY NOT TO BE A WISE GUY OR SMART-ALEC AS MY DAD WOULD SAY. I HAVEN'T GOTTEN THE ANSWER WHY DOESN'T CONSIDER -- CONCURRENT MAKE SENSE TO MASS PORT, TO WHOEVER. WHY DOESN'T IT MAKE SENSED.

>> IT IS A WELL-POLICED AREA, A

VERY SAFE AREA.

WE HAVE A GOOD PARTNERSHIP WITH  
BPD.

>> DO YOU?

>> I KNOW YOU DON'T WANT TO MARE  
MY REPLY, BUT I REFER TO THE  
LEGISLATION ON THIS ISSUE.

>> OK.

COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

>> I APPRECIATE THE SERVICES OF  
BOTH DEPARTMENTS IN EAST BOSTON.  
I REPRESENT EAST BOSTON,  
CHARLESTOWN AND NORTH END.  
I WANT TO SAY, ESPECIALLY FOR  
THE GUYS WHO REPRESENT A7, I  
HAVE SEEN CONTINUALLY THE  
COMMUNITY HAS GROWN IN TRUST AND  
RESPECT, AND IT IS GOOD TO SEE  
THE POLICE OFFICERS.

WHEN I SEE THIS DISCONNECT OR  
THIS LACK OF CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION IT IS A REAL  
CONCERN.

I WOULD LOCAL TO SEE IF MASS  
PORT IS TO INTERESTED IN KEEPING  
THIS JURISDICTION THEY COME TO  
THE MEETINGS AND AND DO THE WORK  
THAT A LOT OF OFFICERS ARE DOING  
TO FORGE THE RELATIONSHIPS.

IF IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO HAVE  
SINGLE JURISDICTION, I WOULD  
LIKE TO SEE THEM DO THE WORK.  
WHAT I HAVE SEEN, A LOT OF THE  
IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS, A LOT OF  
PEOPLE IN MY JURISDICTION GO TO  
A7, SEE AT THE SOUP KITCHENS AND  
THEY PUT THE WORK IN TO EARN THE  
TRUST TO WE CAN COME TO THEM.

IF MASS PORT IS SO DEDICATED TO  
HAVING THAT SINGLE JURISDICTION,  
I THINK IT IS TIME THEY STEP UP  
AND START TO DO THAT WORK AS  
WELL AND TAKE ON THE CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION OF COMMUNITY  
SERVICE, OF COMMUNITY POLICING.  
OR YOU CAN JUST ALLOW BPD TO  
CONTINUE THAT ON TO MASS PORT  
JURISDICTION.

THAT'S ONE.

A COUPLE OF THINGS, I HAVE SOME  
LOGISTICAL QUESTIONS ABOUT PARTS  
OF MY DISTRICT.

THE GREENWAY NEAR MARGINAL  
STREET, WHAT IS THE JURISDICTION

THERE?

I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.  
OUT OF PIERCE PARK GOING INTO  
THE GREENWAY.

WHO COVERS THAT?

>> BETWEEN THE PARKS THE  
GREENWAY TRIP THAT IS A7.

>> A7, OK.

>> BUT MASS PORT --

>> BUT THE PARKS AREN'T OURS.

>> I KNOW, BUT IN TERMS OF THE  
CRIMINAL JURISDICTION AND CRIME.  
AND THEN PART OF THE OTHER PARTS  
THAT I WANTED TO DISCUSS WAS  
WITHIN CHARLESTOWN ON THE MASS  
PORTLAND, THAT IS THE GREAT  
DEAL -- WHAT IS THE JURISDICTION  
BETWEEN A1 AND MASS PORT POLICE?

>> AGAIN, ANY WHERE IT IS MASS  
PORT PROPERTY THEY HAVE SOLE  
JURISDICTION DOWN THERE.

SO WE DON'T -- WE DON'T HAVE  
POURS ON MASS PORT PROPERTIES,  
WHETHER IT IS CHARLESTOWN OR  
EAST BOSTON.

SO IT'S NOT CONCURRENT AND  
THAT'S WHY WE WERE HOPING, AGAIN  
NOT TO TOUCH THE AIRPORT WE KNOW  
THE MASS PORT DOES A SUPER JOB.

BUT IN OUR CITY NEIGHBORHOOD  
SUCH AS CHARLESTOWN AND EAST  
BOSTON, ALL MASS PORT PROPERTY  
RIGHT NOW IS EXCLUSIVE  
JURISDICTION OF THE MASS PORT.

>> SO, AND HE KNOW YOU ALREADY  
TOUCHED ON THIS, WHEN SOMETHING  
HAPPENS ON THE GREENWAY, OR  
SOMETHING HAPPENS IN THAT GRAY  
AREA, WHO CALLS WHO FIRST?  
WHAT IS THE COMMUNICATION AGAIN?

>> USING 911 WE GET THE CALL  
INITIALLY.

AND BASED ON THE NATURE, IT'S  
EMERGENCY, OBVIOUSLY WE'LL  
ALWAYS RESPOND.

AND THEN WE HAVE TO TURN IT OVER  
TO THE STATE.

BUT IF IT'S A MINOR INCIDENT, WE  
SEND IT TO FRAMINGHAM AND  
FRAMINGHAM WILL FORWARD IT TO  
THE APPROPRIATE MASS PORT OR  
STATE POLICE OFFICER.

>> THE ISSUE WITH SOMETHING  
BEING MINOR IT CAN START OFF

THAT WAY.

TOO RIGHT.

>> BY THE TIME IT GETS BACK FROM FRAMINGHAM AND SOMETHING WE NEED TO DO THERE.

>> RIGHT.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE AND I FULLY SUPPORT THE EFFORTS FOR CONCURRENT JURISDICTION, AND I WANT TO THANK THE MAKERS OF THIS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

>> COUNCILOR FLYNN?

>> MY FINAL STATEMENT AS I HIGHLIGHTED EARLIER THIS PROPOSAL WOULD NOT TAKE AWAY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE POLICE. IT SEEKS ONLY TO GIVE THE BOSTON POLICE THE SAME POLICE JURISDICTION AS THE STATE POLICE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

MY NEIGHBORHOOD, IN SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT DEMOCRATICALLY CHANGED SINCE IT WAS APPROVED. MORE BUSINESSES, RESIDENTS THAN EVER BEFORE IN THE AREA.

AND THE RESIDENTS OF THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT ARE ENTITLED TO THE SAME BASIC CITY SERVICES, INCLUDING POLICE SERVICES, POST POLICE SERVICES AS ANY NEIGHBORHOOD DOES ACROSS THE CITY.

I HAVE GREAT CONFIDENT AND RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR THE BOSTON POLICE.

I WORK FOR THEM WITH 10 YEARS AS A PROBATION OFFICER AT SUPERIOR COURT.

I HAVE SEEN THE WORK THEY HAVE DONE IN THE COMMUNITY AND I THINK IT IS ABOUT TIME THAT BOSTON POLICE HAS JOINT JURISDICTION IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, THANK YOU.

>> COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN FOR CONVENING THE HEARING.

WE LOVE OUR MASS PORT POLICE, THE STATE POLICE, THE BOSTON POLICE, WE HAVE TO FIGURE THIS OUT.

AND COUNCILOR USED THE WORD

"ABSURD" AND A NEW AND EMERGING  
COMMUNITY AND CRUISESHIPS, AND  
STORAGE AND ALL THE BUSINESSES  
AND THE TRUCKING COMPANIES ON  
MASS PORT PROPERTY.  
IT IS 2018, CHIEF PROBABLY SAID  
IT BEST IN TERMS OF THE  
COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS THAT RULED  
IN GREAT GAINS FOR OUR CITY.  
IF WE CAN GET IN THE ROOM AND  
TRY TO FIGURE IT OUT AND WORK  
WITH THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO  
RESOLVE IT.  
I AM ON BOARD WITH THAT.  
AGAIN, THIS ISN'T CASTING AS  
PERSIANS.  
EVERYONE DOES A GREAT JOB IN  
RESPECT TO THEIR OWN LANE AND WE  
DO A GOOD JOB OF WORKING  
TOGETHER.  
THIS IS ONE OF THE EXAMPLES  
WHERE WE HAVE TO TRY TO FIGURE  
THIS OUT AND PULL IT TOGETHER  
ALLOWING FOR CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION.  
WHEN A 911 CALLS IN, IMMEDIATE  
AND APPROPRIATE ACTIONS AND  
WHETHER IT IS SPECIALED FORCES  
AND NOT BE ABOUT THE MONEY AND  
DETAILS.  
IF THE STATEMENT IS NO INTEREST  
IN THE MONEY AND DETAILS,  
CONTINUE TO ALLOW THOSE DOWN  
THERE PROVIDING THE FUNCTION  
GREAT.  
IF IT IS ABOUT A COLLABORATIVE  
EFFORT ALLOWING THE BOSTON  
POLICE TO RESPOND TO THE CALLS  
AND ALSO FOR THE INFORMATION TO  
COME BACK TO THE APROPOSE RET  
LICENSING AUTHORITY, I THINK IN  
THOSE INSTANCES I SUPPORT IT  
100%.  
THROUGH THE CHAIR I LOOK FORWARD  
TO THE FOLLOW-UP AND GETTING  
OTHER AUTHORITIES IN AS WELL.  
>> NOW TIME FOR PUBLIC  
TESTIMONY.  
NOBODY SIGNED UP BUT SOMEBODY  
MAY HAVE REMORSE IF THEY DON'T  
SAY ANYTHING.  
ANYBODY WANT TO SAY ANYTHING?  
ALL RIGHT.  
WE HAVE A TAKER.

STATE YOUR NAME AND AFFILIATION FOR THE RECORD.

>> I AM THOMAS, A RESIDENT OF SOUTH BOSTON.

I GREW UP IN CHARLESTOWN ALSO. I AM A BOSTON POLICE OFFICER. WHAT THE COUNCIL WAS SAYING AND COMMISSIONER AND CHIEF AND EVERYONE IS SAYING THIS IS ABSURD.

IF I AM COMING HOME FROM WORK SOME NIGHT AND DRIVING BY A PARK OR PLAYGROUND IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, OR YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND SOMETHING HAPPENS ON MASS PORT PROPERTY, I CAN'T ACTIVATE MYSELF.

BEING A POLICE OFFICER IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, I HAVE NO POWERS WHATSOEVER.

MOST JUST CALL 911, I THINK IT IS ABSURD.

I THINK THERE IS MIDDLE GROUND AND THAT IS CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.

>> WRAPPING UP, MY FINAL STATEMENT IS SIMPLE.

WE ALL WORK FOR THE COMMONWEALTH, THE CITY OF BOSTON, OR THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LIKE YOU DO, I AM NOT A COP, I DON'T PRETEND TO BE.

BUT I DO HAVE A JOB TO RESPOND AND RESPECT THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE.

EVEN THOUGH THIS IS NOT MY DISTRICT, I FIND IT -- WE USE THE WORD ABSURD TOO MANY TIMES PROBABLY, BUT WHEN FIRE IS RESPONDING AND E.M.S. IS RESPONDING, I USED TO WORK FOR PUBLIC WORKS, WE PLOW THE STREETS, FIX POTHOLES.

EVEN WAY UP ON THE 9TH FLOOR THEY USE THEIR AUTHORITY TO DO DEVELOPMENT DOWN THERE.

AS THE CHIEF PUT IT SO ELOQUENTLY, EVERYBODY CAN PLAY IN THE SANDBOX EXCEPT YOU.

AND I THINK IT IS ABSURD.

THE LAST THING I WILL SAY, THE SENATOR REPRESENT, SENATOR NICK COLLINS HAS A BUDGET AMENDMENT

BEFORE THE SENATE NEXT WEEK THAT WOULD ADDRESS THIS.

I AM GOING TO TRY TO MAKE MY WAY UP TO THE STATE HOUSE AND I HOPE THAT EVERYBODY ELSE DOES AS WELL TO SUPPORT NICK IN THIS.

WE ARE GOING TO ADJOURN THIS HEARING, BUT I AM AJURNG THIS HEARING WITH ALL INTENTIONS TO HAVE A FOLLOW-UP HEARING.

I APOLOGIZE FOR DUPLICATING YOUR SERVICES BUT I WILL ASK YOU TO COME AGAIN.

I DON'T WANT TO PLAY THE HARD GUY HERE AND DO THE SUBPOENA THING AND ALL THAT OTHER STUFF, I JUST WANT THE COMMON RESPECT AND COURTESY AS AN ELECTED BODY, AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL AND AS CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON TO HAVE THE COLONEL AND MASS PORT AND SECRETARY OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY SHOW US THE RESPECT THAT I THINK WE EARN.

JUST LIKE YOU GUYS EARN THE RESPECT, I THINK THAT EVERYBODY IN THIS BODY, WE WORK AWFULLY HARD.

AND AS COUNCILOR EDWARDS SAID, WE'RE AT THE SOUP KITCHENS, WE'RE AT THE COMMUNITY MEETINGS, WE'RE AT THE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST, AT THE FUNDRAISERS, THE FLAG RAISING LATER ON, I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU IS HE HAITIAN FLAG RAISING IN ABOUT FIVE MINUTES.

A LOT OF GOOD THINGS GOING ON IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

WHAT I MEAN BY SAYING THAT, IT IS THE CITY OF BOSTON.

AND AS MR. PRATT STATED, POLICE OFFICER PRATT STATED TO NOT BE ABLE TO ACTIVATE YOURSELF, DO YOUR DUTY BECAUSE OF THIS IS ABSURD.

WE WILL HAVE ANOTHER HEARING. WE WILL BE REACHING OUT TO THE AUTHORITIES THAT WERE REQUESTED TO BE AT THE HEARING THE FIRST TIME, AND HOPEFULLY WE GET IT RIGHT THE SECOND TIME.

AT THIS POINT AND TIME I AM

TALKING NUMBER 0722, SPONSORED  
BY COUNCIL MCCARTHY AND  
COUNCILOR FLYNN, ORDER FOR  
HEARING REGARDING CONCURRENT  
JURISDICTION IS NOW ADJOURNED.