



# CITY OF PAWTUCKET

## POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Dear Director Brown,

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 1, 2025 regarding the officer involved shooting on June 8, 2025. This letter appears to be a follow-up to your request to the Attorney General's office to release all the footage of that incident they had received from the City. The Attorney General's office, in collaboration with the Rhode Island State Police and the Pawtucket Police Department, worked collectively on this multi-departmental task force surrounding the incident on June 8th. The Attorney General's office has now confirmed to you that it has no other footage than what has already been publicly released by the City.

As you have indicated in your letter, I have previously explained that Officer Letourneau's body camera was in the off duty mode because he was at police headquarters prior to the call, therefore the system did not automatically activate when Officer Letourneau removed his firearm from his holster. Officer Letourneau activated his body camera after the incident occurred which is clearly captured on his camera.

You have also implied that the recordings were redacted due to the absence of pre-event buffering capabilities that automatically save thirty seconds of video but not audio footage prior to the activation of a body worn camera. This occurs when a body worn camera is in "on duty mode". The suggestion that the Pawtucket Police Department redacted the recording is not only false but tries to instill fear in the community that the men and women of the Pawtucket Police Department swear an oath to protect and serve. The department will continue to be a positive presence in the community and work to strengthen the ties we have built.

This incident is still an active investigation and is currently under review by the Attorney General's office. The Pawtucket Police Department awaits the Attorney General's findings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tina Goncalves".

Chief Tina Goncalves