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To: [Scott Morris](#)
Cc: [Lara Weisiger](#); [Lisa Cooper](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: OGC Complaint and Best Practices for Disclosure of Police Logs
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:00:44 PM

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Unless the city has adopted a policy that all arrest logs in the police department's possession are subject to disclosure no matter their age, I do not believe there is anything to discuss. I made clear in our conversations over the phone that absent that, I would not consider this request to be voluntarily withdrawn. I'd prefer any response in writing at this point.

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