

December 12, 2025

VIA EMAIL

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Re: FOIL 2025-3060

Dear Ms. McBride:

This letter is a response from the City of Rochester (“City”) to the administrative appeal you submitted for FOIL request 2025-3060. That request, dated June 2, 2025, sought the following records related to PSS 2024-0084:

- (1) Any and all recordings, transcripts, or notes of interviews, written statements, or interrogations of Officer Ryan Fantigrossi conducted as part of the internal investigation into this matter.
- (2) Any and all body-worn camera (BWC) footage recorded by Officer Ryan Fantigrossi during the incident in question.
- (3) If the BWC was not recorded, then any documentation or explanation provided by the officer or supervisor regarding the absence of BWC footage.
- (4) The BWC activation/deactivation log for Officer Fantigrossi for the date of the incident.
- (5) Any additional communications, emails, or internal memos referencing or discussing the incident with Ms. Nguyen-Santiago or the internal complaint (PSS 2024-0084), including any documents relating to decisions about interpreter use or accommodations.

On July 7, 2025, the City granted your request in-part. The City provided you BWC footage and an accompanying redaction log with redactions made pursuant to Public Officers Law.

On July 8, 2025, you administratively appealed the City’s response. Your administrative appeal stated three grounds for the appeal. First, you state that the BWC footage provided is incomplete because it ends prior to the conclusion of the officer’s interaction with the complainant. Second, you assert that the City failed to provide statements made by Officer Fantigrossi, or failed to confirm that none exist. Lastly, you argued that the redaction log provided does not clarify whether footage beyond the currently provided file exists. This is the City’s response to your administrative appeal.

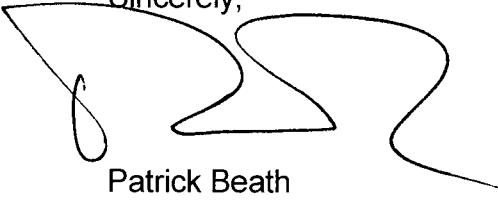
Regarding your first ground for the appeal, the BWC provided is inclusive of all of Officer Fantigrossi’s recorded BWC for this interaction that the City was able to locate in a diligent search.

In reference to your second ground for the appeal, please consider this is a certification, pursuant to Public Officers Law § 89 (3), that following a diligent search, no responsive records of recordings, transcripts, notes, written statements, or interrogations of Officer Fantigrossi in relation to PSS 2024-0084 could be located. Please note that the reason there are no responsive records may be related to the fact that PSS 2024-0084 was closed as "Incident Review."

Lastly, in regard to the third part of your administrative appeal, the redaction log includes all redactions that were made to the footage. Further, redaction logs do not clarify whether footage beyond the currently provided file exists because the purpose of the redaction log is to list the redactions that were made. Generally, if the City withholds any footage, such withholding and the purpose for that withholding would be stated within the City's email response to the FOIL request.

This correspondence constitutes my final decision regarding your request. If you disagree with this decision, you may seek judicial review of it pursuant to Article 78 of the Civil Practice Law and Rules. Your time to seek judicial review begins immediately.

Sincerely,



Patrick Beath
Corporation Counsel

cc: Kristin O'Neill; Committee on Open Government