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July 6, 2018

Michael Kiely Somerville Police Sergeant

Dear Sergeant Kiely:

We understand that on or about April 6, 2018, you filed a complaint with the Somerville Board of Aldermen ("Board"), alleging a violation of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25. The Board is required to notify our office of the complaint and any remedial action taken to address the complaint. G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b); 940 CMR 29.05(5). Our office received notification and a response from the Board on April 20, 2018.

Under the Open Meeting Law, a complaint is ripe for review by our office when the complainant files a copy of the initial complaint with the Division of Open Government, provided that at least 30 days have passed since that complaint was filed with the public body. G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b); 940 CMR 29.05(6). We sent you a letter on May 10, 2018 stating that if we did not receive the original complaint from you by June 5, 2018, we would presume the action taken by the Board was sufficient and would close this file. Our office currently has no record of a complaint filed by you in this matter. Therefore, we now consider this matter closed.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or believe anything stated in this letter to be inaccurate.

Sincerely,

Kevin Manganaro Assistant Attorney General Division of Open Government

cc: Jason D. Grossfield, Esq., Assistant City Solicitor, City of Somerville Somerville Board of Aldermen

