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RE: Public Records Request

We have received your public records request for:

- 1. the total number of police use of force incidents, separated by year from 2021-2022 (for example, "283 total use of force incidents in 2021, 333 total use of force incidents in 2022, etc.)*
- 2. the total number of police use of force incidents, separated by year and by type of force used from 2021-2022 (for example, "27 taser incidents in 2021, 3 baton incidents in 2021, etc.)*
- 3. the total number of civilian complaints alleging any form of law enforcement misconduct that were reported and the total number sustained, separated by year from 2021-2022 (for example, 8 complaints in 2021, 2 complaints sustained in 2021, 4 complaints in 2022, 1 complaint sustained in 2022, etc.)*
- 4. the total number of civilian complaints alleging law enforcement use of excessive force that were reported and the total number sustained from 2021-2022, separated by year*
- 5. the total number of civilian complaints alleging biased policing or racial profiling that were reported and the total number sustained from 2021-2022, separated by year*
- 6. the total number of officer involved shootings incidents from 2021-2022, separated by year (excluding shootings of animals and accidental discharges that are not directed at a person)*

The above records that you have requested are subject to Massachusetts General Law, c. 66, § 10 (a), which provides, in pertinent part: "Every person having custody of any public record, as defined in [G.L. c. 4, § 7, Twenty-sixth], shall, at reasonable times and without unreasonable delay, permit it, or any segregable portion of a record which is an independent public record, to be

inspected and examined by any person, under his supervision, and shall furnish one copy thereof upon payment of a reasonable fee.” Furthermore General Law c. 4, § 7, Twenty-sixth, provides, in pertinent part: “ ‘Public records’ shall mean all books, papers, maps, photographs, recorded tapes, financial statements, statistical tabulations, or other documentary materials or data, regardless of physical form or characteristics, made or received by any officer or employee of any agency, executive office, department, board, commission, bureau, division or authority of the commonwealth, or of any political subdivision thereof, or of any authority established by the General Court to serve a public purpose, unless such materials or data fall within the exemptions outlined in c. 4, § 7, Twenty-sixth.

If the requested record(s) do exist, they will be provided herewith unless they are not subject to release. If the record(s) are not subject to release, an explanation as to why they are not subject to release as they fall within the statutory exemptions of General Law c. 4, § 7, Twenty-sixth.

The response to your request is as follows, listing by paragraph numbers in your request:

1. *the total number of police use of force incidents, separated by year from 2021-2022*  
**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 6                      Year 2022- 10**
  
2. *the total number of police use of force incidents, separated by year and by type of force used from 2021-2022*  
**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 6                      Type: Physical Control (6)**  
**Year 2022- 10                      Type: Physical Control (10)**
  
3. *the total number of civilian complaints alleging any form of law enforcement misconduct that were reported and the total number sustained, separated by year from 2021-2022*  
**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 0**  
**Year 2022- 1**
  
4. *the total number of civilian complaints alleging law enforcement use of excessive force that were reported and the total number sustained from 2021-2022, separated by year*  
**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 0**  
**Year 2022- 0**
  
5. *the total number of civilian complaints alleging biased policing or racial profiling that were reported and the total number sustained from 2021-2022, separated by year*  
**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 0**  
**Year 2022- 0**

6. *the total number of officer involved shootings incidents from 2021-2022, separated by year (excluding shootings of animals and accidental discharges that are not directed at a person)*

**RESPONSE: Year 2021- 0**

**Year 2022- 0**

The above information concludes this Departments response to your public records request.

Sincerely,



Charles Gibson  
Deputy Chief of Police