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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:04 AM
To: Collins, Adam;Ewing, Clothilde;Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Mitchell, Eileen;Silver, Steven;Rountree, Janey;Deal, Joe;Bennett, Kenneth
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Cc: McCaffrey, Bill;Collins, Adam
Subject: Re: videos-AP story

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Happy Thanksgiving, Don. Give CPD a call. Anthony can provide you a statement.

On Nov 26, 2015, at 8:33 AM, Babwin, Don <dbabwin@ap.org> wrote:

Folks, I got this note from my editor. I was wondering if any of you can confirm today whether or not one of the other videos was actually from the Van Dyke's vehicle and maybe discuss why none of the others had video as well. I seem to have heard on TV the other day that the batteries may have been in backwards but I have not seen that anywhere else.

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From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:50 AM
To: Collins, Adam;Guglielmi, Anthony
Subject: Re: Thoughts on video stmt

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I'm good. Wondering if we also add at the end of the statement, something like "we have also shared this file with the FBI, who is leading the criminal investigation into the shooting incident." Probably superfluous but might help to clarify that the FBI is the agency doing the forensic anlaysis on all this stuff wihtout coming out and saying it

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Makes sense to me. Janey, are you good?

From: Guglielmi, Anthony <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>
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Subject: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

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REFERENCE TIPSOFT TIP CPD-40075-08

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THIS IS ACCORDING TO THE WORD ON THE STREETS.

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CELL: [REDACTED] SHE DOESN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT, JUST WANTED US TO KNOW.

PO Michael Bowen

Chicago Police Department

Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC)

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From: Guglielmi, Anthony

Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 07:10

To: CPIC; Caluris, Steven M.; Tracy, Robert; Panepinto, Leo; Andrews, Constanti G.; Roy, Eugene J.

Subject: Fwd: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

Sirs,

I'm sure you have this already but passing along from wgn

Anthony Guglielmi
Director, Communications / News Affairs
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----- Original message -----

From: News Affairs <nwsaffr@chicagopolice.org>
Date: 11/26/2015 2:22 AM (GMT-06:00)
To: "Guglielmi, Anthony" <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

FYI

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Fax (312) 745-6999

From: Zuick, Andrew [azuick@wgntv.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 2:08 AM
To: News Affairs
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

From: Sears, James
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 12:34 AM
To: Zuick, Andrew <azuick@wgntv.com>; Lyons, Jennifer <jlyons@wgntv.com>; Pudar, Sandy <spudar@wgntv.com>
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Cc: Spielfogel, David;Quinn, Kelley;Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

This is good and agree with strategy.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 9:00:04 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 9:21 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Thanks. Sounds like we're all on the same page here.

I'll have Anthony do this at 9:30 unless I hear otherwise

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 9:15 AM
To: Collins, Adam
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Yes. I think he will probably demand an on-the-record statement, so I'd have Anthony push very hard OTR. Then give to Bill only if he is insistent. Please have him keep you and I updated. Thanks, Adam.

On Nov 26, 2015, at 9:12 AM, Collins, Adam <Adam.Collins@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

ok. I'd add it at the end. Are we good with the below, and the plan to try to knock this down with the trib?

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Cc: Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde

Subject: Re: URGENT!

I like that addition.

From: Rountree, Janey

Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 10:03 AM

To: Collins, Adam; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen

Cc: Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde

Subject: Re: URGENT!

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To: Mitchell, Eileen; Rountree, Janey
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

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From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:43:11 AM
To: Rountree, Janey
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

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Eileen Mitchell
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(312) 744-6246 (office)
(312) [REDACTED] (mobile)

On Nov 26, 2015, at 7:38 AM, Rountree, Janey <Janey.Rountree@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Anthony is calling Garry now. They've had three people look at it internally, including Lewin, CPIC and the forensic lab. All said immediately that it was not authentic, they are using stock audio. The words spoken over the radio are not ones that CPD uses, and the sound quality of the gun shots is sharper and louder than the rest of the audio. I think we may need to put out an initial statement saying that we believe the video is not authentic but we sent to the feds for further analysis. People should know that the FBI could take a long time to respond - like weeks potentially. So I asked Anthony to ask Garry if there is another, independent expert who could do some forensic analysis on the video on a faster timeframe. State police, etc. Waiting to hear back from him.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:33 AM
To: Collins, Adam; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Rountree, Janey; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Agree 100 percent, and time isn't on our side.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:31 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Rountree, Janey; Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

The immediate take from CPD's team is that the audio is stock audio and not authentic. They are doing additional analysis though.

I still think the feds will need to review regardless of what CPD finds

From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:20 AM
To: Collins, Adam
Cc: Rountree, Janey; Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Ok

Eileen Mitchell
Office of the Mayor
(312) 744-6246 (office)
(312) [REDACTED] (mobile)

On Nov 26, 2015, at 7:05 AM, Collins, Adam <Adam.Collins@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Yes. I talked to Anthony and they are looking at it internally right now. Will report back when we have more info there. Should hear back in the next 30

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:47 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

That's what I just said to Adam - need to refer to FBI asap. I don't know who at CPD has any knowledge of the technology other than Lewin. I'll call Scott.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:40 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Is someone from cpd or IPRA reviewing this? Not sure what we talk about until we know the facts. Or refer it to the FBI, who have had the video for a year so I assume would have looked into this.

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:34 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

I'm up - not sure I understand what "unscrambled" means. Can talk whenever people are ready.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:24 AM
To: Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Just woke up to the same. Trying to watch. He said someone unscrambled it.

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:22 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Ewing, Clothilde; Patton, Stephen; Rountree, Janey
Subject: RE: URGENT!

Just got up. Am free to talk this morning.

I'll also get a short term statement together in case someone publishes something about this before we can determine what it is.

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From: "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org>

Date: 11/26/2015 2:38 AM (GMT-06:00)

To: "Mitchell, Eileen" <Eileen.Mitchell@cityofchicago.org>, "Spielfogel, David" <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org>, "Ewing, Clothilde" <Clothilde.Ewing@cityofchicago.org>, "Collins, Adam" <Adam.Collins@cityofchicago.org>, "Patton, Stephen" <Stephen.Patton@cityofchicago.org>, "Rountree, Janey" <Janey.Rountree@cityofchicago.org>

Subject: Re: URGENT!

This has also been tweeted out and put on FB where it has been shared more than 1,500 times.

> On Nov 26, 2015, at 2:16 AM, Quinn, Kelley
<Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

>

> I just woke up to a voice mail and email from Ruthhart who claims to have video with sound. As of right now, it has been viewed 208 times.

>

> <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=h9C03sQckJk>

>

> They are trying to authenticate it quickly. He has tried to reach Anthony as well. Is there a time early this morning that we can jump on a call?

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 9:32 AM
To: Spielfogel, David
Cc: Patton, Stephen;Rountree, Janey;Collins, Adam;Mitchell, Eileen;Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Strongly agree

On Nov 26, 2015, at 9:28 AM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 10:24 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Collins, Adam; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde
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Ok. We're going with this now. Will let you know how it goes

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While CPD still plans to share with FBI, they just told me they have not been able to reach anyone yet due to the holiday. so as a factual matter, the sentence I added isn't right as of now. We could say we will share etc.

From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 9:30 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Patton, Stephen; Rountree, Janey; Collins, Adam; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Isn't the fbi automatically involved bc federal investigators are looking into it? If so, will tweak sentence accordingly.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 10:12 AM
To: Guglielmi, Anthony
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Moving without. Goal is still to clear without a story

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To: Collins, Adam; Ewing, Clothilde; Spielfogel, David; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Quinn, Kelley
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That's understandable - I defer to him.

From: Collins, Adam
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Bill agrees and thinks the video is not authentic. He and Anthony are working to make the case to the Tribune editors.

Will let you know when I have more

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Cc: "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org>
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Good. Only include if we've actually done it, which it seems we haven't been able to yet.

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From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 11:29 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Ah yes. Got it. Happy turkey day!

From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 11:48 AM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: URGENT!

You asked below if CPD was ok owning. I was only saying I think they have to.

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On Nov 26, 2015, at 9:14 AM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

1. Yes
2. Not sure what you mean.

From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 10:10 AM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: URGENT!

Two things:

- 1). Have you talked to MRE
- 2). Who else would own way there than CPD? I am fine with it.

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On Nov 26, 2015, at 9:07 AM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Good if they're comfortable owning this.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 10:00 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde

Subject: Re: URGENT!

Here's what CPD would like to say. I think it's good. We debated mentioning that CPD is sending it to the FBI for further analysis, but if we don't think they'll be able to say anything about it for days I don't think that helps.

Ruthhart last reached out to CPD at 7:30 this morning. I think CPD should try to walk him through this off the record and kill the story since it's not true. If he insists on it, Anthony can give him the statement on the record.

Thoughts?

Early this morning, CPD was provided a version of the Laquan McDonald shooting video that was uploaded on to Youtube and allegedly contained audio from the incident. Prosecutors, independent investigators and the police department have been very clear that the video recovered from the in-vehicle camera system at the scene contained no audio. This morning, CPD's forensic investigators determined the audio contained in this online video is not authentic.

The radio traffic appears to be a stock audio file and siren and police radio track sounds appears to be a monaural recording while the gunshots appear to be in stereo quality, which would not be possible from the in-car camera system. Garbled talking in the background apparently does not match this incident and the apparent sounds of gunshots are inconsistent with the rest of the file in terms of volume and clarity. In our continued commitment to transparency and the efficacy of the investigation, CPD will also be sending this video file to several independent forensic investigators to evaluate the findings of our forensic team.

From: Rountree, Janey

Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:27 AM

To: Patton, Stephen; Mitchell, Eileen

Cc: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde

Subject: Re: URGENT!

Anthony will send around a statement, which is slightly revised from what adam wrote. Cpd is calling the fbi now and will give us a time estimate. They are also making a list of back up options and will send to multiple people. Ando not picking up his phone yet.

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From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 12:09 PM
To: Collins, Adam;Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Re: (NEWS) TRIBUNE: In Chicago and L.A., videos of police shootings may be just the start of the story

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Please. Let's not be aggressive unless we need to. Let's simply lay out facts and date when we said we would release.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 1:04 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: (NEWS) TRIBUNE: In Chicago and L.A., videos of police shootings may be just the start of the story

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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 12:04 PM
To: Collins, Adam
Cc: Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: (NEWS) TRIBUNE: In Chicago and L.A., videos of police shootings may be just the start of the story

Go ahead. I'm at the grocery store so I don't think other customers would appreciate it.

On Nov 26, 2015, at 11:57 AM, Collins, Adam <Adam.Collins@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

I'd like to push back on this I know Queally and am happy to do it unless you'd rather make the call, Kelley

The spread of similar videos has sparked large-scale protests in some cities. In Chicago, Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration tried to keep the recording of McDonald's death from becoming public.

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From: NewsClips <NewsClips@cityofchicago.org>
Date: 11/26/2015 11:14 AM (GMT-06:00)
To:
Subject: (NEWS) TRIBUNE: In Chicago and L.A., videos of police shootings may be just the start of the story

[In Chicago and L.A., videos of police shootings may be just the start of the story](#)

The video, shot from the dashboard camera of a police cruiser, shows a black teenager walking down the middle of a Southwest Chicago street. Two police officers approach the 17-year-old from his left, guns drawn.

The teen stumbles and falls as he is hit by gunfire. But, Cook County prosecutors say, Chicago Police Officer Jason Van Dyke continues shooting even after Laquan McDonald has crumpled to the asphalt.

Van Dyke fired 16 shots in total, investigators said. McDonald died a short time later.

The recording — a key piece of evidence released Tuesday as a first-degree murder charge was filed against Van Dyke — is the latest in a catalog of videos that has put police use-of-force under intense scrutiny across the U.S. In the past 18 months, surveillance feeds and cellphone recordings have led to protests and criminal charges after officers used force against civilians in New York City, Los Angeles, Cleveland and South Carolina, among other places. Many of the protests have focused on the role of race in police use of force, particularly against black men.

The videos are often visceral in nature, showing what many activists consider to be clear-cut misuse of force by police officers. Cook County State's Atty. Anita Alvarez said she "moved up" her decision to charge Van Dyke after a judge ruled last week that the video should be released to the public.

But, even as demonstrators took to Chicago's streets Tuesday night to protest the shooting of McDonald by a white police officer, law enforcement experts around the nation warned that recordings like the one that captured the teen's death can paint an incomplete picture.

"Knowing what happens on video after it happens is totally different than knowing what the cop was thinking and what he will say he was thinking," said Eugene O'Donnell, a professor at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice and a former assistant district attorney in New York City. "The video obviously could be damning in terms of a criminal case, but the ultimate question is, is there malice towards the kid? Is it totally unwarranted under any view of the evidence? The video does not speak for itself."

Recordings of clashes between police and civilians have been especially resonant in Los Angeles in recent months, where video filmed by a bystander of several officers opening fire on a homeless man on skid row earlier this year generated national outrage.

Deciding whether to make official recordings public has also proved a thorny issue for city leaders.

The spread of similar videos has sparked large-scale protests in some cities. In Chicago, Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration tried to keep the recording of McDonald's death from becoming public. In Los Angeles, the LAPD generally does not publicly release recordings from cameras mounted in its patrol cars or on officers' uniforms.

Van Dyke was one of several officers responding to reports that McDonald had been spotted breaking into vehicles and stealing radios on Oct. 20, 2014, according to details of the case released in court Tuesday. The first officers at the scene reported that the teenager was armed with a knife and walking away from the area. Cook County prosecutors said, at one point, McDonald waved the knife as he walked past a squad car.

The teenager did not speak to any of the officers or respond to commands to drop the knife. An autopsy showed McDonald had PCP in his system.

Van Dyke was about 10 feet away from McDonald when he started firing and continued shooting for 13 seconds while the teen lay on the ground, prosecutors said. Van Dyke's partner told investigators he had to stop the officer from reloading.

Law enforcement experts who reviewed the recording said that, at first glance, the shooting seemed excessive. Ed Obayashi, an Inyo County sheriff's deputy who also works as an attorney on use-of-force cases, said the fact that Van Dyke's partner did not fire his weapon could prove critical at trial.

"The testimony of that officer is going to be very, very compelling about why he did not perceive a deadly threat," Obayashi said.

Other experts who reviewed the video could not understand how Van Dyke could perceive the teenager as a threat.

"I don't see a justification for deadly force. He is walking away from the officer," said Geoff Alpert, a criminologist at the University of South Carolina and an expert on police force.

Sid Heal, a former Los Angeles County Sheriff's commander and force expert, questioned both Van Dyke's decision to fire and the prosecutor's move to charge him with murder.

"It's going to be tough to make a case that he arrived at a scene and decided in only 30 seconds to premeditatedly kill the suspect," Heal said. "If the defense can make any valid case for self-defense, manslaughter seems more appropriate."

The video highlights the way surveillance footage can influence prosecutors. Earlier this year, a cellphone recording showed North Charleston, S.C., police Officer Michael Thomas Slager firing several shots into the back of an unarmed black man, 50-year-old Walter Scott, who was running away from the officer.

Murder charges were filed against Slager on April 7, less than an hour after the city's mayor and police chief received the video, officials said at that time.

While recordings of deadly clashes between police and civilians have gained increased media attention in recent years, the videos are not always enough to gain criminal convictions.

Former San Bernardino County Sheriff's Deputy Ivory John Webb Jr. became the target of national outrage in 2006 after a video showed him towering over an off-duty Air Force police

officer and shooting him several times. Despite indications that the man he shot appeared to be surrendering, Webb was acquitted of attempted voluntary manslaughter at trial.

A recording of a New York City police officer placing Eric Garner in an apparent chokehold during a fatal 2014 clash also sparked nationwide protests, but a grand jury declined to indict the officer on a manslaughter charge.

The law gives police officers wide latitude in using force when they believe that their lives — or the lives of others — are in danger.

O'Donnell said prosecutors will have to prove that Van Dyke did not believe McDonald posed an immediate threat to his life when he opened fire.

"Why would he choose to just cold-blooded kill someone? Why would he do that?" O'Donnell asked. "You're going to have to answer that question."

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From: McCaffrey, Bill
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 1:05 PM
To: Patton, Stephen
Subject: Re: ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL

I will monitor the stories, but I think that this is now over. They will be focusing on the protests now. If there are more stories, I will reach out.

Andy Shaw was in the CBS story. I will forward to you.

Enjoy your holiday.

From: Patton, Stephen
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 12:12 PM
To: McCaffrey, Bill
Subject: ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL

Please see particularly Fox News report below. If these reports continue (which I think is unlikely, but interested in your view), I think we should revisit releasing the transcript. Please monitor closely today and tomorrow to see if there are continuing reports of yesterday's news conference. If so, I want to consider setting the record straight promptly and aggressively. Also, I saw someplace that Andy Shaw was suggesting a breach of trust, but I can't seem to locate. Please forward if you have it. Any point in setting the record straight with him? Finally, and more immediately, have a great Thanksgiving!

From: NewsClips
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 11:23:44 AM
Subject: [MORNING NEWS CLIPS] 11.26. 15

MORNING NEWS CLIPS - 11.26.15

MAYOR RAHM EMANUEL

MRE WELCOMED SYRIAN REFUGEES AND SERVED EARLY THANKSGIVING DINNER

[CBS2 News at 5AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner](#)

ANCHOR: With all the debate surrounding Syrian refugees coming to the state, the mayor welcomed 90 refugees to Chicago. They served the dinner at the American Islamic college on the north side and Pete's fresh market and greater food depository donating the meals for more than a dozen Syrian refugee families.

[ABC7 News at 5AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner](#)

ANCHOR: Mayor Rahm Emanuel serves an early thanksgiving feast to Syrian refugees at the american-islamic college on the north side. The mayor said sharing with those in need is, quote, why America is still a beacon of hope, end quote. At least 90 Syrians are making a new life here in Chicago.

[CBS2 News at 6AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner](#)

ANCHOR: Rahm Emanuel participated in an early thanksgiving dinner. The mayor, Alderman Ed Burke, Danny Solis, James Cappelman and others served thanksgiving dinner at the American Islamic college on the north side. Pete's fresh market and the greater food depository donated the meals for a dozen Syrian refugee families.

[NBC5 News at 6:30AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner](#)

ANCHOR: New this morning, Chicagoans serve up an early thanksgiving meal to a dozen Syrian refugee families. Mayor Emanuel joined in and he tweeted this picture. It comes in the middle of the national debate over whether to accept Syrian refugees. Last week the city council passed a symbolic resolution establishes Chicago as a sanctuary city.

[LATEST DEVELOPMENTS INTO LAQUAN MCDONALD SURROUNDING VIDEO RELEASE](#)

[WGN News at 9PM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald video](#)

ANCHOR: We begin with breaking news. Demonstrations are continuing in downtown Chicago tonight. This is in response to the release of the video showing 17-year-old Laquan McDonald being shot by police Officer Jason Van Dyke. You're looking live at the police station on 18th and State where protesters are gathering right now. We'll have more on the protests in just a moment. However, there's new dashcam video tonight from the scene of the Laquan McDonald shooting from four more police dashcams, giving us a new perspective on what happened on the southwest side over a year ago. It may also raise some new questions. WGN's Tom Negovan is here with that video and more on what it tells us tonight.

NEGOVAN: The dashcam recordings were released by the city today. The shots are grainy, sometimes blurry. As with the video wave all already seen, there's no audio.

[ABC7 News at 10PM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald video](#)

**B-Roll of MRE at press conference with Supt. McCarthy*

ANCHOR: Now to that new perspective of the shooting uncovered by the I-team. We see the moments leading up to the shooting of Laquan McDonald and they come from multiple dash cameras, including Officer Jason Van Dyke's. Over to Rob Elgas for more.

ELGAS: Cheryl, this is what the world saw after Chicago released dashcam video of Laquan McDonald being shot. You could see other police officers on the scene, and many but not all had dashcams rolling, and they reveal details of the night we have not seen before. This is Jason Van Dyke's police SUV recorded by another squad car recording him as he weaves through traffic, rushing to a report of a man wielding a knife. Now we are inside his vehicle. This blurry video reveals something we had not seen

[CBS2 News at 10PM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald video](#)

Anchor: First at 10:00, there was a chase, then there was a shooting. Tonight, four more police dash cam videos released, including the squad car of the white Chicago police officer charged in the murder of a black teenager. And, just moments ago, protesters can be seen ripping the lights from the Chicago Christmas tree. The lights were turned on just yesterday. Police eventually arrived to the scene. And a live look from chopper 2 over Millennium Park you can see that the tree was damaged, but we're taking a wide look right now of the protesters along Michigan avenue. And a live look from the ground. You can hear protesters yelling 16 shots.

NBC5 News at 10PM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: NBC 5 news has obtained new police dash cam videos from the night Laquan McDonald was killed. And they raise new questions about police accounts of the incident.

ORLANDO: The city released four new dash cam videos in response to a request by NBC 5 under the Freedom of Information act. Many are asking why today is the first we're hearing about the additional videos. It's the video seared in our minds showing the 17-year-old Laquan McDonald shot by police 16 times as he walked down the street with a knife in his hand. The officer who pulled the trigger, 37-year-old Jason Van Dyke is charged with first-degree murder.

WGN News at 5AM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: The city of Chicago is releasing its new video from the night that MacDonald was killed. This video was shot from four more former squad cars. Including a brief perspective from the vehicle carrying the officer who shot him. It shows the car pursuing him through a burger king parking lot moments before the officer shot him. Other video shows scorecards racing to the scene before setting up a perime and it was another night to protest in response to the release of the graphic video that showed him being killed. Nancy is live with the latest.

LOO: Police made at least four arrests last night. Fewer than the night before.

Fox Chicago News at 5AM: Latest developments surrounding Laquan McDonald video release

ANCHOR: Several dozen people took to the streets again last night to protest against the shooting death of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. Some counted to 16 as they walked up the mag mile which represented the 16 times Laquan McDonald was shot by officer James Van Dyke last October. Several protesters were arrested. Not clear if they're facing charges. A group of demonstrators targeted the city's Christmas tree, pulling lights off of it. This is all in response to dash cam video released Tuesday showing officer van dyke shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times. A new video from other dash cameras show that encounter.

CBS2 News at 5AM: Latest developments surrounding Laquan McDonald video release

ANCHOR: For a second straight night protestors filled the street blocking traffic and targeting the Christmas tree. We have more on the demonstration and the push against police. Good morning. Indeed for a second straight night protestors took to the streets to show their level of outrage over the shooting of Laquan McDonald.

PUCCINELLI: Once again, there was plenty of chanting. At one point the protestors attempted to take bicycles from the police officers. They got in a tug-of-war like battle between the protestors and cops. Ultimately the officers were able to retain position of the- poe session of the bicycles. Protestors made their way to the heart of the downtown shopping district.

NBC5 News at 5AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release

ANCHOR: Let's get to a developing story. Chicago bracing for the very real possibility of more protests after a second night of demonstrations. Those turned ugly overnight.

In one incident several people attacked the city's official Christmas tree. Nbc 5's Emily Florez is live at millennium park with details.

FLOREZ: Stefan and Lauren, the picture says it all this morning. Some lights are dangling from the tree at millennium park. That's after protestors worked to strip the tree in the frustration over the Laquan McDonald case. [shouting] they wanted their message to be loud and clear and that it was. Near the end of their march yesterday, things seemed to get more and more rowdy. Protesters charged and attacked the

NBC5 News at 6AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release

ANCHOR: Developing this morning, Chicago police have released new dash cam footage of the Laquan McDonald shooting. This is one of the videos showing him running in front of officer Jason Van Dyke's vehicle just 30 seconds before he shot and killed him. Video from another squad car shows Laquan on the ground, wounded. This has continued to spark protests in Chicago. Last night, some of those turned ugly. Some attacked the city's official Christmas tree in millennium park. Emily Florez is joining us with more details. FLOREZ: Stefan, yes, we're learning new information this morning. Illinois state police have been called in to support Chicago police department through these demonstrations.

[WGN News at 6AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release](#)

ANCHOR: Four more dashcam videos are released, showing different angles of the events leading up to the killing of Laquan McDonald. The video was shot from four more squad cars that responded to the McDonald a brief perspective from the vehicle carrying the officer who shot him. It shows the car pursuing McDonald through a burger king parking lot moments before van dyke shot him 16 times. Other videos show squad cars racing to the scene before setting up a perimeter. Protesters again marched through the city last night.

[Fox Chicago News at 6:30AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release](#)

ANCHOR: We begin this morning with breaking news. Another night of protests following the release of the Laquan McDonald tape. It was fairly peaceful and later things got rowdy in millennium park. We saw the video off the top of the show. Some people ripping off the lights of the Christmas tree. Some other destruction as well? Right?

LUM: They stomped on the greenery around it. There was a barricade that's broken around it and now metal fences around the tree. Trees showing wear and tear. This is where things got off track in terms of peaceful protests. There's spots that need to be repaired here as far as the decorative lights. The public is going to come downtown to see the parade and see this as well. This is where the protest kind of wound down last night. This is what it looked like.

[ABC7 News at 6:30AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release](#)

ANCHOR: First this half hour, Chicago police arrested at least four people in the latest protests. This is over the shooting of Laquan McDonald D'Onofrio is live now from the police station at 18th and state this morning.

D'ONOFRIO: Protestors were angry and agitated and four ended up in lockup. a second day of outrage after dash cam video shows Jason van dyke shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times. Some demonstrators causing property damage, ripping lights off the city Christmas tree in millennium park. you can see broken gates and lights missing.

[Four new Laquan McDonald shooting videos raise more questions](#)

TRIBUNE // Bill Ruthhart, Bob Secter and David Kidwell // November 26, 2015

Newly released videos from four additional police vehicles at the scene of the 2014 shooting of Laquan McDonald raise questions about how the city's Police Department documented the killing of an African-American teenager that has led to a Chicago cop being charged with first-degree murder. The police dashboard camera videos also shed new light on how the events unfolded leading up to McDonald's death by showing police response to the incident from new perspectives. That includes from the vehicle Officer Jason Van Dyke rode in as he briefly followed the 17-year-old McDonald before shooting him 16 times in the middle of Pulaski Road on the Southwest Side on Oct. 20, 2014. Mayor Rahm Emanuel's Law Department released the videos from five separate police vehicles to the Chicago Tribune on Wednesday in response to an open records request. The videos, released on DVDs, included the one widely circulated publicly Tuesday that shows the most complete coverage of the shooting released to date.

Four more Laquan McDonald police dashcam videos released

SUN TIMES // Tina Sfondeles // November 25, 2015

There were four additional police dashcam videos at the scene of Laquan McDonald's shooting death last year, the city confirmed on Wednesday. On Tuesday, Chicago Police released a graphic video that captured the 16 shots fired by Chicago Police Officer Jason Van Dyke, who was charged with first-degree murder in the 17-year-old boy's death. The four additional videos were released Tuesday to the first person who filed the Freedom of Information Act request, according to mayoral spokeswoman Kelley Quinn. But the additional videos do not show the shooting. One, however, shows McDonald bleeding on the ground after being shot. "The video that was released to the public [on Tuesday] was the most complete video that we had," Quinn said. Brandon Smith is the freelance journalist whose lawsuit pressed for the release of the video that showed the shooting. Smith, along with two other media organizations, also filed FOIA requests for the video of the shooting. At a press conference on Tuesday, Chicago Supt. Garry McCarthy was asked why the video released to the media didn't have audio. He said that it was either a technical issue or it just wasn't turned on. He said sometimes officers "need to be disciplined if they don't turn it on at the right circumstance."

PROTEST IN THE CITY REGARDING THE LAQUAN MCDONALD CASE

WGN News at 9PM: Protests in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: Now back to those protests. Separate crowds, demonstrating in different areas tonight. WGN's Erik Runge is live with one of those groups.

RUNGE: Good evening, they are on the move again. We were down by 18th and State at the police station down there. Protesters are saying that 3 people got arrested, police telling me 2 after a small scuffle broke out as a number of protesters tried to make a run for the expressway to block that. As you can see ahead of me there are a handful of demonstrators, they're making their way to Harrison and State where another group has gathered. But they have been gathering all day long, starting at 4:00, another group started down in the loop. We have walked about 8 mi. downtown all the way from State

Fox Chicago News at 9PM: Protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: Several groups of protesters on the move right now. I'm Dawn Hasbrouck.

I'm Jeff Herndon. There are a number of demonstrations underway in response to the shooting death of Laquan McDonald by Officer Jason Van Dyke. You are looking at live pictures from air Fox over 17th and state. We are following all of the developments today from every angle, from the live protest to the calls for resignation. We begin with Craig Wall on the ground near State and Harrison. Fred?

WALL: We are at 17th and Harrison at assistant police headquarters where there has been an arrest tonight. We have video we want to show you, the arrest happened as protesters were coming south after going all the way up Michigan Ave. They came down south and approximately at Financial Place and Harrison, police arrested one man and took him away.

ABC7 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: New protests over the police shooting of Laquan McDonald. Protesters have stormed into Millennium Park. Just a few minutes ago it looked like they were going after the city's official Christmas tree. Also tonight, a new perspective of that shooting. The I-team obtained dash cam video from the car of the officer now charged with first-degree murder in the case. We'll have a play by play of that video. We have three reports on the shooting. Eric Hong leads off with the latest on the protests.

NBC5 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald video

ANCHOR: Tonight, breaking news. New demonstrations in Chicago tonight and they get violent as protesters try to tear down the city Christmas tree in Millennium Park. Let's begin with Katie Kim downtown tonight, what can you tell us?

KIM: We're near Michigan and Whacker. We're marching with the protesters right now, this is a very rapidly developing story. Within the last five minutes these protesters broke down some barricades and rushed Millennium Park. It seemed it was going to be peaceful and then they made an aim for the Christmas tree. They started pulling out the lights. Protesters there yelling, quote, this is part of the problem. Again they're marching down Michigan and Whacker right now. Activists vowing to take to the streets. As they promised, they are, for a change at the police department.

CBS2 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: For the second straight night, protesters are out in the street. CBS 2 is live now in Millennium Park where they are now. Audrina?

BIGOS: Right now we are in River North. You can see hundreds of protesters are here on the street, they are starting to form another circle. This is one of many stops they've made. They started at State and Harrison about 30 minutes ago. They walked to Michigan Avenue, broke through barricades in Millennium Park, they started tearing off Christmas lights on those trees. They just stopped at the Trump Tower and started tearing off lights and Christmas decorations on that building and now as you can see, they are forming a in circle River North. We are on State and Kenzie right now.

4 Laquan McDonald protesters arrested in second day of marches

DNA INFO // Ed Komenda // November 26, 2015

Police arrested four protesters who were among the crowds that marched through downtown streets Wednesday night to denounce the shooting death of Laquan McDonald and urge the city to shake up its leadership. In the second day of protests and rallies after the release of video footage showing 17-year-old McDonald's shooting death at the hands of a police officer, hundreds of activists and city residents took to the streets Wednesday. Though protests downtown were mostly peaceful, a march through the Loop did disturb traffic during rush hour and protesters reportedly removed strings of lights from the Christmas tree in Millennium Park later in the night. Protesters demanded an end to police violence, for Police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to be removed from their posts and for other political leaders to resign. Three protestors arrested Wednesday night were charged with resisting an officer, the department said Thursday morning.

REQUEST FOR THE RELEASE OF DASH CAM VIDEO OF RONALD JOHNSON SHOOTING

WGN News at 9PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson shooting video

ANCHOR: The freelance journalist who filed the lawsuit to force the city to release the police shooting video says he's working on another controversial police shooting case. Journalist Brandon Smith and community activists are now calling attention to the shooting of Ronald Johnson. He was killed by Chicago police on October 12th of 2014 at 53rd and King Drive. Police at the time said Johnson pointed a gun at an officer and the officer opened fire, but Johnson's mother says the shoot was captured on a police dashcam.

HOLMES: I'm asking that the mayor, McCarthy, Alvarez, release the video so everybody can see that this officer is lying about what happened on that night when he murdered my son.

ANCHOR: Activists are also calling for civilian oversight to investigate police shootings, they called for more transparency in the investigations into police shootings.

Fox Chicago News at 9:30PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson shooting video

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PLACKO: What was it like for you to look at the Laquan McDonald video?

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CBS2 News at 10PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson video

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ANCHOR: After Johnson's family sued police, the city asked a federal court to place the footage under a protective order. The court did, but the Johnson family wants it released. Chicago police did not respond to our request for comment on the story.

Fox Chicago News at 6:30AM: Request for the release of dash cam video of Ronald Johnson shooting

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BLACK CAUCUS DISCUSSES LAQUAN MCDONALD CASE

Fox Chicago News at 9PM: Black caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: New calls today for Chicago police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Cook County State's attorney Anita Alvarez to resign. The NAACP and Urban League also want the US Department of Justice to investigate police shootings of african-americans.

FLANNERY: Some in City Council's black caucus say they are angry about the Laquan McDonald video. Not just for what it shows, they say a top lawyer in the mayor's office lied to them for months about what was in the video.

ALD. BROOKINS: We were misled, we were misled!

FLANNERY: Ald. Brookins and others in the black caucus say that mayor Rahm Emanuel's top city lawyer didn't level with them when he said video of the killing of Laquan McDonald wasn't enough in and of itself to support firing Officer Jason Van Dyke.

ABC7 News at 10PM: Black caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: The call for change from the top is growing louder in Chicago. Stacey Baca joining us at City Hall with that part of the coverage.

BACA: The mayor once again saying he fully supports police Supt. Garry McCarthy, even though a national organization is now asking McCarthy and Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez to step down. Hand in hand at a south side church tonight, Chicago alderman and community members prayed for peace. There was also a call for action. The National Bar Association, the oldest and largest group of mostly African-American attorneys and judges, is calling for the resignations of police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez.

OTHER MRE NEWS

WGN News at 9:30PM: Sean Lewis discusses Laquan McDonald case with Anita Alvarez

ANCHOR: This day after the video of Laquan McDonald's shooting was made public, many are asking why it took so long to charge the officer who shot the teen. Cook County state's attorney Anita Alvarez has been under fire, with many calling for her resignation. WGN's Sean Lewis sat down with her today.

LEWIS: She admits that a joint investigation with the US Attorney's office did make it last longer but that it was worth it to build a solid case. Tonight, she responds. Questions of a police cover-up and the calls for her resignation.

LEWIS: What goes through your mind when you hear something like that?

ALVAREZ: Well, you know, several things. I think the criticism about the length of this investigation, it's misplaced and its unwarranted. I'm a prosecutor and I'm a professional prosecutor. That's what I am, and I've been doing this job 29 years. this.

WGN News at 5AM: President Obama releases statement regarding Laquan McDonald video

ANCHOR: President Obama released a statement on Facebook, about the shooting video and protests. It reads, "like many Americans, I was deeply disturbed by the footage of the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald." "This thanksgiving, I ask everybody to keep those who've suffered tragic loss in our thoughts and prayers, and to be thankful for the majority of men and women in uniform who protect our communities with honor." And I'm personally grateful to the people of my hometown for keeping protests peaceful."

WGN News at 5AM: Black Caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case & additional developments into the case

ANCHOR: In response to the McDonald shooting video, the city council's black caucus is once again calling on Mayor Emanuel to fire police Superintendent Garry McCarthy. The caucus also wants an independent investigation into the handling of the shooting. They plan to bring up a non-binding no confidence vote on McCarthy at the next council meeting.

DOWELL: Our caucus has vowed to work with other caucuses and other colleagues to review the f o p contract to make sure there are tougher policies and sanctions against police officers who do the egregious or illegal acts.

COLUMNISTS AND EDITORIALS

[If police shooting video had been released sooner, would Emanuel be mayor?](#)

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CHICAGO

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[Laquan McDonald protesters take detour to disrupt Trump Tower customers](#)

DNA INFO // Kelly Bauer // November 25, 2015

Protesters calling for an end to police brutality redirected their anger, albeit briefly, toward the GOP frontrunner during a march Downtown Wednesday night. More than 200 protesters who had met in the Loop and marched up Michigan Avenue stopped in front of Trump Tower to chant in front of the building. Donald Trump was criticized this week after he said that a Black Lives Matter protester who was attacked by Trump supporters at a rally on Saturday ["should have been roughed up."](#) "Maybe he should have been roughed up," Trump said Sunday morning. "It was absolutely disgusting what he was doing."

[Judge rips media, protesters for ignoring shooting of 11-year-old in court](#)

DNA INFO // Erica Demarest // November 25, 2015

The Auburn Gresham man who shot an 11-year-old girl in August was aiming for her adult cousin, prosecutors said Wednesday — but there were few outsiders in the courtroom to hear it. "Why don't we have a packed courtroom for this?" Cook County Judge Peggy Chiampas demanded to know as Cordero Harris, 27, stood before her Wednesday afternoon on charges of aggravated battery and aggravated assault. Minutes earlier, activist Malcolm London — who'd been charged with battery to police [following a Laquan McDonald protest](#) Tuesday evening — appeared in the same court room. When [charges against London were dropped](#), the myriad activists, protesters and reporters who had flooded Chiampas' courtroom to see London, stood up and left. Chiampas had to pause proceedings to account for the exodus. "Why don't we have every single press person in the room for this case? For an 11-year-old child?" Chiampas bellowed Wednesday afternoon. "Why aren't there people protesting outside for this case?"

ILLINOIS AND SPRINGFIELD

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FULL ARTICLES

[Protesters to target Chicago shopping area on Black Friday](#)

ASSOCIATED PRESS // Don Babwin and Sophia Tareen // November 26, 2015

Small groups of demonstrators gathered throughout the day Wednesday to protest the death of a black teen shot 16 times by a white police officer, and they urged supporters to join them in trying to shut down Chicago's famous Michigan Avenue shopping district during the [Black Friday](#) shopping bonanza.

About two dozen protesters gathered outside Mayor [Rahm Emanuel](#)'s office a day after authorities released the graphic video, footage that President [Barack Obama](#) said "deeply disturbed" him.

The video shows officer [Jason Van Dyke](#), who was charged Tuesday with first-degree murder, firing an entire magazine into 17-year-old [Laquan McDonald](#).

The protesters held banners showing photos of other black people fatally shot by police in Chicago and elsewhere. Several said they were parents of black men killed by Chicago officers.

"You cannot kill our children and expect us to be quiet any longer," protester Quovadis Green said. "It is unacceptable."

Activist Mark Carter called on people to "rise up" and shut down the Magnificent Mile shopping area on Friday. Protesters also planned to target the Board of Trade and other landmarks in the coming days, he said. Carter and others want the Department of Justice to investigate the [Chicago Police Department](#) and its history of covering up bad behavior.

The Urban League of Chicago joined in the call for a federal investigation, alleging a pattern of "discriminatory harassment" against black people.

The [Rev. Jesse Jackson](#) said other officers involved in McDonald's death should be fired or at least suspended. He also wants a special prosecutor appointed to the case, complaining that Cook County State's Attorney [Anita Alvarez](#) took too long to bring a murder charge in the shooting, which happened more than a year ago.

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Obama said he is personally grateful to the people of his hometown — Chicago — for keeping protests peaceful.

Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton also weighed in, saying McDonald's family and Chicago residents "deserve justice and accountability."

Clinton, who made the comments Wednesday in an emailed statement, added that police officers across the country are doing their duty honorably "without resorting to unnecessary force."

One of Clinton's rivals, Sen. Bernie Sanders, said in his own statement that all Americans "should be sickened" by the video.

For months, Chicago leaders had feared that the release of the video could provoke the kind of turmoil that rocked cities such as Baltimore and Ferguson, Missouri, after young black men were slain by police or died in police custody.

Van Dyke was the subject of 18 civilian complaints over 14 years, including allegations that he used racial epithets and excessive force, police and court records show.

Complaints against police are not uncommon. But the number filed against Van Dyke was high compared with other officers. At least one person he arrested was later awarded \$350,000 in damages in a lawsuit.

Van Dyke's lawyer, Daniel Herbert, did not return a message left Wednesday by The Associated Press.

Also Wednesday, a Cook County judge dismissed a charge against a protester accused of hitting a police officer in the hours after the video was made public.

Judge Peggy Chiampas said the state's attorney's office recommended dropping the charge against 22-year-old Malcolm London and told London he was free to go.

London, who was wearing a T-shirt with the phrase "Unapologetically black" on it, walked outside the courthouse to loud cheers.

Prosecutors did not explain why they sought to dismiss the charge. London was among five people arrested on charges that included weapons possession and resisting arrest.

At least two people were detained amid protests late Wednesday when demonstrators disrupted traffic in the city's financial district. On the South Side, about 100 people marched about a half mile to Chicago police headquarters after a community meeting. Crowds remained on Michigan Avenue late into the night, marching and chanting.

Meanwhile, in Minneapolis on Wednesday afternoon, hundreds of people filled a church to pay their respects to a man whose death in an unrelated confrontation with police sparked more than a week of ongoing protests. A picture of a smiling Jamar Clark adorned the program for his funeral.

The relevant portion of the Chicago video runs for less than 40 seconds and has no sound.

McDonald swings into view on a four-lane street where police vehicles are stopped in the middle of the roadway. As he jogs down an empty lane, he appears to pull up his pants and then slows to a brisk walk, veering away from two officers who are emerging from a vehicle and drawing their guns.

Almost immediately, one of the officers appears to fire from close range. McDonald spins around and collapses on the pavement.

The car with the camera continues to roll forward until the officers are out of the frame. Then McDonald can be seen lying on the ground, moving occasionally. At least two small puffs of smoke are seen coming off his body as the officer continues firing.

In the final moments, an officer kicks something out of McDonald's hands.

Police have said the teen had a knife. Alvarez said Tuesday that a 3-inch knife with its blade folded into the handle was recovered from the scene.

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The videos are often visceral in nature, showing what many activists consider to be clear-cut misuse of force by police officers. Cook County State's Atty. Anita Alvarez said she "moved up" her decision to charge Van Dyke after a judge ruled last week that the video should be released to the public.

But, even as demonstrators took to Chicago's streets Tuesday night to protest the shooting of McDonald by a white police officer, law enforcement experts around the nation warned that recordings like the one that captured the teen's death can paint an incomplete picture.

"Knowing what happens on video after it happens is totally different than knowing what the cop was thinking and what he will say he was thinking," said Eugene O'Donnell, a professor at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice and a former assistant district attorney in New York City. "The video obviously could be damning in terms of a criminal case, but the ultimate question is, is there malice towards the kid? Is it totally unwarranted under any view of the evidence? The video does not speak for itself."

Recordings of clashes between police and civilians have been especially resonant in Los Angeles in recent months, where video filmed by a bystander of several officers opening fire on a homeless man on skid row earlier this year generated national outrage.

Deciding whether to make official recordings public has also proved a thorny issue for city leaders.

The spread of similar videos has sparked large-scale protests in some cities. In Chicago, Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration tried to keep the recording of McDonald's death from becoming public. In Los Angeles, the LAPD generally does not publicly release recordings from cameras mounted in its patrol cars or on officers' uniforms.

Van Dyke was one of several officers responding to reports that McDonald had been spotted breaking into vehicles and stealing radios on Oct. 20, 2014, according to details of the case released in court Tuesday. The

first officers at the scene reported that the teenager was armed with a knife and walking away from the area. Cook County prosecutors said, at one point, McDonald waved the knife as he walked past a squad car. The teenager did not speak to any of the officers or respond to commands to drop the knife. An autopsy showed McDonald had PCP in his system.

Van Dyke was about 10 feet away from McDonald when he started firing and continued shooting for 13 seconds while the teen lay on the ground, prosecutors said. Van Dyke's partner told investigators he had to stop the officer from reloading.

Law enforcement experts who reviewed the recording said that, at first glance, the shooting seemed excessive. Ed Obayashi, an Inyo County sheriff's deputy who also works as an attorney on use-of-force cases, said the fact that Van Dyke's partner did not fire his weapon could prove critical at trial.

"The testimony of that officer is going to be very, very compelling about why he did not perceive a deadly threat," Obayashi said.

Other experts who reviewed the video could not understand how Van Dyke could perceive the teenager as a threat.

"I don't see a justification for deadly force. He is walking away from the officer," said Geoff Alpert, a criminologist at the University of South Carolina and an expert on police force.

Sid Heal, a former Los Angeles County Sheriff's commander and force expert, questioned both Van Dyke's decision to fire and the prosecutor's move to charge him with murder.

"It's going to be tough to make a case that he arrived at a scene and decided in only 30 seconds to premeditatedly kill the suspect," Heal said. "If the defense can make any valid case for self-defense, manslaughter seems more appropriate."

The video highlights the way surveillance footage can influence prosecutors. Earlier this year, a cellphone recording showed North Charleston, S.C., police Officer Michael Thomas Slager firing several shots into the back of an unarmed black man, 50-year-old Walter Scott, who was running away from the officer.

Murder charges were filed against Slager on April 7, less than an hour after the city's mayor and police chief received the video, officials said at that time.

While recordings of deadly clashes between police and civilians have gained increased media attention in recent years, the videos are not always enough to gain criminal convictions.

Former San Bernardino County Sheriff's Deputy Ivory John Webb Jr. became the target of national outrage in 2006 after a video showed him towering over an off-duty Air Force police officer and shooting him several times. Despite indications that the man he shot appeared to be surrendering, Webb was acquitted of attempted voluntary manslaughter at trial.

A recording of a New York City police officer placing Eric Garner in an apparent chokehold during a fatal 2014 clash also sparked nationwide protests, but a grand jury declined to indict the officer on a manslaughter charge.

The law gives police officers wide latitude in using force when they believe that their lives — or the lives of others — are in danger.

O'Donnell said prosecutors will have to prove that Van Dyke did not believe McDonald posed an immediate threat to his life when he opened fire.

"Why would he choose to just cold-blooded kill someone? Why would he do that?" O'Donnell asked. "You're going to have to answer that question."

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[Four new Laquan McDonald shooting videos raise more questions](#)

TRIBUNE // Bill Ruthhart, Bob Sexter and David Kidwell // November 26, 2015

Newly released videos from four additional police vehicles at the scene of the 2014 shooting of Laquan McDonald raise questions about how the city's Police Department documented the killing of an African-American teenager that has led to a Chicago cop being charged with first-degree murder.

The police dashboard camera videos also shed new light on how the events unfolded leading up to McDonald's death by showing police response to the incident from new perspectives. That includes from the vehicle Officer Jason Van Dyke rode in as he briefly followed the 17-year-old McDonald before shooting him 16 times in the middle of Pulaski Road on the Southwest Side on Oct. 20, 2014.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's Law Department released the videos from five separate police vehicles to the Chicago Tribune on Wednesday in response to an open records request. The videos, released on DVDs, included the one widely circulated publicly Tuesday that shows the most complete coverage of the shooting released to date.

All told, the videos show at least eight police vehicles responding to the shooting scene, and now the Emanuel administration has released videos from five of those vehicles. But no video has been provided from the three other vehicles, all of which were at the scene as the shooting unfolded.

The Tribune asked police, prosecutors and the mayor's office whether those vehicles had video and requested any such video under open records law. The city has not responded to those questions.

Chicago Police Department orders require officers to use in-car video if the vehicle is equipped with it.

According to that order, the in-car video system will automatically engage audio and video recording when the vehicle's emergency lights are activated. Officers may also manually engage the recording system without activating the lights.

The question of why there is so little discernible sound on any of the videos is an important emerging issue that city officials have yet to address.

All the videos released to date include some sound, but most of it is just the faint noise of the vehicles' sirens. The videos, including the one from Van Dyke's vehicle, did not include any audio of officers talking, either in the vehicles or over police radios, raising questions about why sirens outside the vehicles are audible but voices and other sounds from inside the vehicle are not.

The Tribune put those questions to the Police Department, the office of Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez and the Law Department early Wednesday afternoon. None responded to the questions.

However, in a news conference Tuesday before releasing the now-viral video that shows McDonald's shooting, Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy was asked whether there was any audio on that footage.

"No, there was no audio with the tape that I saw, the video I saw," McCarthy said. "I don't think that audio does exist."

Asked whether the police cameras were supposed to have sound, McCarthy responded, "There's supposed to be (audio), and it's supposed to happen at a couple different instances.

"This is one of the things that we are working on. Sometimes we have technical difficulties," McCarthy said.

"Sometimes officers need to be disciplined if they don't turn it on at the right circumstance, which is why we are working out all the details."

Again asked if any audio existed with footage of the shooting, McCarthy answered, "No, no, no there was no audio to my knowledge with any of the video that was taken. No, it didn't exist."

Only one of the five police dashboard camera videos that the Emanuel administration did release shows the shooting of McDonald, the same video the mayor was forced to release under an order by a Cook County judge.

The other DVDs released by the city show:

- A video of Van Dyke's squad car following McDonald through the lawn of a Burger King restaurant and pulling up alongside him as he walked down the center of Pulaski.
- Another video of a squad car arriving at the shooting scene moments after McDonald crumpled to the ground. The video shows the teen appear to move slightly in the street with streams of blood trailing from his body.
- Two other videos from a pair of other police vehicles that drove up near the incident but appeared to be quickly dispatched to help set up a perimeter and control traffic.

The absence of any recorded discussions from officers in any of the five vehicles for which videos were released makes it impossible to discern what the officers might have discussed in their cars on the runup to the shooting of McDonald. In the charging papers against Van Dyke, prosecutors paraphrased radio traffic from four different cars responding to the incident.

The five videos vary in length, from just a few minutes to over a half-hour. Each also starts at different points in the sequence of events, with one squad car's video not starting until after it's already parked near an ambulance at the scene.

In charging Van Dyke with murder on Tuesday, Alvarez said that only one police dashboard camera recorded the shooting. While other Chicago police vehicles at the scene were equipped with working cameras, Alvarez said, none of the vehicles was positioned to capture the shooting.

The official recitation of evidence supporting the charge against Van Dyke filed by Alvarez's office also stated "no audio was recorded" on the dashboard camera video that showed the shooting.

Alvarez's office did not respond to questions Wednesday about whether her office had reached a conclusion as to why there was no sound of conversations inside the squad cars or over police radio on the videos.

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If the video had been out, if Chicago had watched it before going to the polls, Emanuel would have lost the black vote. You'd have to be a meat puppet to think otherwise. And you're not a meat puppet, are you? But just to make sure of my theory, I called the one guy who'd know: Cook County Commissioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia, the mayor's opponent in the 2015 election.

"Yes," Garcia told me over the phone. "That video would definitely have changed the political environment. The rug would have been pulled out from under many political leaders' feet. Things would have been different," he said.

"And now, with the video out and people seeing it, everywhere I go people ask me about it. Everywhere I go people tell me it would have been a game changer. If people had seen it, they would have said, this city is so corrupt, it's time for a change."

But they didn't see it, until it was too late.

"There's just some basic Chicago arithmetic in there. He wouldn't have received as much votes from the African-American community," Garcia said. "It isn't rocket science. It's arithmetic. And so yes, this tragic video would have had a profound impact."

Which is why Rahm didn't want it to be seen, why he had to do everything to keep it under wraps. And he did do everything to keep it under wraps, until the other day.

"And that's the Chicago Way," Garcia said.

Yes it is.

You can see the truth of it by watching the other politicians scrambling for cover in the wake of the Laquan McDonald video release.

They don't like questions about how they helped Rahm win. That puts the jacket on them. And they don't want to wear the jacket.

So they're stitching one up for Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, who charged Van Dyke with murder the other day.

They want Alvarez to wear the jacket for it all.

Rahm seems to be throwing her under his bus, but he doesn't want his fingerprints on her. So his ally, David Axelrod, threw her under.

Axelrod is a Rahm pal, but for years he was also the mouthpiece for former Mayor Richard Daley, and was the top political and media strategist for Obama. It's a Chicago thing.

"Why did it take a year to indict a CPD officer who shot a kid 16 times?" Axelrod tweeted Tuesday night.

"Would it have happened today if judge hadn't ordered video release?"

That puts it on Alvarez. Does she deserve it?

I don't think so. To me, she's not the issue.

The video threatened Rahm Emanuel and his pursuit of power. Alvarez told reporters she'd been waiting for the feds to issue a joint announcement with her office. That didn't happen.

Funny how things work out.

Axelrod's tweet legitimizes a self-preservation tactic Chicago politicians have been pursuing for the last day or so: They know people are angry over what happened to 17-year-old McDonald. They want to be safe from that anger. So they're directing the mob to go against Alvarez.

On Wednesday, I headed over to my old haunts at City Hall to see the circus in action. The City Council's Black Caucus had called a news conference, and there, in one rambling, cloudy speech after another, they made it clear they weren't responsible for a thing and that there needed to be changes.

Not their jobs. And not Rahm's. Instead, they saved their outrage for police Superintendent Garry McCarthy and Alvarez. Then they rambled some more.

But even in cloudy waters you might still see a slippery bullhead, if you can spot the fins or the chin whiskers. And so I reached down, got my hand wet and asked:
Would Emanuel have won the African-American vote if that video had been seen before the election? Most just looked at me as if I were a space alien saying "I come in peace" in some frightening alien tongue of clicks and whistles that they couldn't understand.
Later, I cornered one of the aldermen and asked again.
"No," said the alderman, meaning no, Rahm would not have won the election. "But you already knew that. Why are you asking us?"

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[CBS2 News at 5AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner](#)

ANCHOR: With all the debate surrounding Syrian refugees coming to the state, the mayor welcomed 90 refugees to Chicago. They served the dinner at the American Islamic college on the north side and Pete's fresh market and greater food depository donating the meals for more than a dozen Syrian refugee families.

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ANCHOR: Mayor Rahm Emanuel serves an early thanksgiving feast to Syrian refugees at the american-islamic college on the north side. The mayor said sharing with those in need is, quote, why America is still a beacon of hope, end quote. At least 90 Syrians are making a new life here in Chicago.

[WGN News at 5AM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case](#)

ANCHOR: The city of Chicago is releasing its new video from the night that MacDonald was killed. This video was shot from four more former squad cars. Including a brief perspective from the vehicle carrying the officer who shot him. It shows the car pursuing him through a burger king parking lot moments before the officer shot him. Other video shows scorecards' racing to the scene before setting up a perime and it was another night to protest in response to the release of the graphic video that showed him being killed. Nancy is live with the latest.

LOO: Police made at least four arrests last night. Fewer than the night before. Fewer protests out there when home early but again, and the actions were largely peaceful with some tense moments. This was a brief tug-of-war with the police bicycle lead last night happened near lake and wells were police were trying to prevent the protesters from heading north. By 11:30 p.m. And they've made it blocking busy intersections at Michigan and Chicago for about 45 minutes. Trapping vehicles and chanting. Demonstrators were also on the move on night with numbers fluctuating from dozens to over 100 people at times. Interjections were shut down in river north. The gold coast and south loop as well. Like the night before, they stared down police officers and there was pushing and shoving at the police lines. Earlier in the night, protesters, into the park where a few men yanked delights of the city's Christmas tree and then the protestors cleared out as the rain moved in after midnight. At this point, there are no known protests for today but a major one is planned for tomorrow here. Activists are calling for a black Friday boycott and an economic boycott in the name of justice for Laquan. That's the latest from here. Back to you.

ANCHOR: Cheers erupted ran courthouse yesterday afternoon after charges against protest leader Malcolm London were dropped. On Wednesday for allegedly hitting an officer during the first night of protests. London is known for mentoring students in the city on poetry and writing.

WGN News at 5AM: President Obama releases statement regarding Laquan McDonald video

ANCHOR: President Obama released a statement on Facebook, about the shooting video and protests. It reads, "like many Americans, I was deeply disturbed by the footage of the fatal shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald." "This thanksgiving, I ask everybody to keep those who've suffered tragic loss in our thoughts and prayers, and to be thankful for the majority of men and women in uniform who protect our communities with honor." And I'm personally grateful to the people of my hometown for keeping protests peaceful."

WGN News at 5AM: Black Caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case & additional developments into the case

ANCHOR: In response to the McDonald shooting video, the city council's black caucus is once again calling on Mayor Emanuel to fire police Superintendent Garry McCarthy. The caucus also wants an independent investigation into the handling of the shooting. They plan to bring up a non-binding no confidence vote on McCarthy at the next council meeting.

DOWELL: Our caucus has vowed to work with other caucuses and other colleagues to review the f o p contract to make sure there are tougher policies and sanctions against police officers who do the egregious or illegal acts.

ANCHOR: A spokesperson for the mayor says McCarthy has his full support. In addition to Chicago police superintendent Garry McCarthy, the Chicago Urban League wants States Attorney Anita Alvarez to resign. Yesterday, Alvarez sat down with wgn to defend her actions in the McDonald case.

ALVAREZ: The criticisms about the length of the investigation, it is misplaced and unwarranted. I'm a prosecutor and a professional prosecutor. I have been doing in this job 29 years. I know what it takes to do an investigation like this. It takes time. I will not apologize for doing a thorough and meticulous evaluation and investigation on the matter.

ANCHOR: Alvarez says the reason the so long was because the state's attorney's office partnered with the attorney to look into the case. We have more on the Laquan McDonald case on our website. There, you can also watch the entire dashcam video. We want to warn you -- it is graphic. You can find it at wgn t-v dot-com.

Fox Chicago News at 5AM: Latest developments surrounding Laquan McDonald video release

ANCHOR: Several dozen people took to the streets again last night to protest against the shooting death of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. Some counted to 16 as they walked up the mag mile which represented the 16 times Laquan McDonald was shot by officer James Van Dyke last October. Several protesters were arrested. Not clear if they're facing charges. A group of demonstrators targeted the city's Christmas tree, pulling lights off of it. This is all in response to dash cam video released Tuesday showing officer van dyke shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times. A new video from other dash cameras show that encounter. it's raising more questions, of course. fox 32's Anita Padilla live at police headquarters with more on that. Anita, people are claiming this is more evidence of a city cover-up and infuriating more people.

PADILLA: It does concern a lot of people because they have questions about where the audio is and why haven't they seen this video all of these months that police have been looking at it? why wait so long? here's an interesting thing. the video that you're going to see in just a moment, there are different cameras. they vary in length from some for a few minutes to others for about a half hour. they all have a different viewpoint. this was the video you saw played over and over again. this was the key video here, the graphic one that shows officer Jason van dyke shooting that black teenager, Laquan McDonald. the officer unloaded his clip, according to officials, firing 16 rounds in 15 seconds on the scene. that officer van dyke now charged with first degree murder. But there are other videos that police have released. other video, dash cam videos, and this one here shows Laquan McDonald running from the scene, or at least running from police. This is the actual

camera from officer Jason Van Dyke's vehicle. But here's the thing. On all of the cameras, all of the video they released, none of them have audio. Superintendent Garry McCarthy was asked about that.

MCCARTHY: I think the state's attorney addressed that today. There were apparently technical difficulties. But in no way, shape, or form is that evidence of a cover-up, and I think she covered that.

PADILLA: as recently as inspector general Joe Ferguson mentioned in his audit for 2016, that one of the things he wanted to start looking at was the Chicago police department's dashboard cameras and how they weren't maintaining them and managing them. reporting live from city hall, Anita Padilla, fox 32 news. back to you.

ANCHOR: Another bit of fallout from all of this is calls for the resignation of police superintendent Garry McCarthy. They are growing louder this morning. the city council's black caucus says it is time for McCarthy to go. meanwhile, aldermen are accusing city hall of misleading them about the dash cam video of McDonald's shooting. They claim the city's top lawyer told them last spring the video did not support firing officer Jason van dyke. the officer was charged with first degree murder. they say it's time to reopen the police union contract to make sure police officers are held accountable in the future.

DOWELL: To review the fop contract to make sure there are tougher policies and sanctions against police officers who do egregious or illegal acts.

ANCHOR: The group, by the way, is also calling for the resignation of state's attorney Anita Alvarez. Out of five people arrested in Tuesday night's protests, only one was held overnight, but police have dropped all charges against 22-year-old Malcolm London and released him from jail. there's no word on why.

ANCHOR: Protests in Ferguson, Missouri, were much bigger and much more violent. activists from Ferguson met with Chicago protesters in Bronzeville yesterday. one of the leaders from Ferguson said the Laquan McDonald video took him back to the police shooting that ignited the powder keg there. he compared police actions in cities across the country to a wild dog. The activists in Bronzeville renewed their call for a police oversight council. President Obama reacted to the McDonald shooting, saying he's deeply disturbed. And now two democratic presidential candidates are weighing in. Hillary Clinton emailed a statement saying the family of Laquan McDonald and the people of Chicago deserve justice and accountability. She went to say all over America there are police officers honorably doing their duty, demonstrating how to protect the public without resorting to unnecessary force. We need to learn from and build on those examples. And Bernie Sanders said Americans should be sickened by the video footage. In an email, he said there needs to be action rather than just echoing the phrase black lives matter. We'll have continuing coverage throughout the morning on "good day Chicago." plus you can find more video and reaction on fox32.com and on our fox 32 app.

[CBS2 News at 5AM: Latest developments surrounding Laquan McDonald video release](#)

ANCHOR: For a second straight night protestors filled the street blocking traffic and targeting the Christmas tree. We have more on the demonstration and the push against police. Good morning. Indeed for a second straight night protestors took to the streets to show their level of outrage over the shooting of Laquan McDonald.

PUCCINELLI: Once again, there was plenty of chanting. At one point the protestors attempted to take bicycles from the police officers. They got in a tug-of-war like battle between the protestors and cops. Ultimately the officers were able to retain position of the- poe session of the bicycles. Protestors made their way to the heart of the downtown shopping district. They sat down at Michigan. Cabbies and others became trapped in the crowd. Some people gave up, bailed out of the vehicles and ended up walking to their destinations. So far police have released no numbers regarding arrests or property damage stemming from last night's activity. Other than pushing or shoving there didn't appear to be significant issues regarding damage or injuries. Protestors say their goal right now is to cause economic damage.

PROTESTOR: We do not come to be violent. We will shut this city down.

PUCCINELLI: Back live now, you can see that the fence surrounding the millennium park. Christmas tree has been broken. That's because the protestors ultimately made their way here to the Christmas tree and ended up destroying that fence and also pulling some of the lights off of the Christmas tree. That is their way of

showing their disexpress sure with what happened to Laquan McDonald on October 20 of 2014. Reporting live, cbs 2 news. Back to you.

Thank you so much.

ANCHOR: New questions this morning as four more police dash cam videos were released yesterday shing different angles of the brutal murder of Laquan McDonald.

One of the new angles is from officer Jason van dyke's police s.u.v.

SONG: That's right. We have seen the actual dash- cam video of the shooting. Now we are getting a broader view with four additional dash cams of what really happened. Sitting behind the police dash cam is officer Jason van dick and his partner. They adjust the camera, turn on the lights and speed to 41st and Pulaski. They drive for three minutes. When the car turns another police vehicle appears. Seconds later you can see Laquan McDonald run through a burger king parking lot. Van dick's car drives over a sidewalk and follows him. Another shows van dyke's vehicle drive alongside McDonald for a few seconds before it pulls around a parked car and stops. Eight seconds later, van dyke shoots the gun as he walks away from the officers. As he opened fire, these officers pull up, get out of their squad car and walk toward the teen. The officers walk out of frame as the shooting stops. As McDonald lies in the street. Police video shows another squad car drive up and stop. Several cops are now standing by. Six minutes after van dyke opened fire, an ambulance arise arrives at the scene. Officer van dyke has been charged with first-degree murder. He is being held without bond. Reporting live outside of district one, Susan Song, cbs 2 news.

Van Dyke will spend thanksgiving in cook county jail after a judge refused to set bond in this case. Van Dyke is charged with first- degree murder for shooting and killing Laquan McDonald last year. His attorney spoke to Jay Levine.

HERBERT: I think it's unfair to look at it frame by frame and say at what point did this person become a threat because it has to be viewed in the totality of circumstances. And it's important to note that prior my client getting on the scene, he was privy to a knowledge about a violent individual with a knife. He knew the individual had stabbed the windshield of a police vehicle where police officers were sitting in there. He knew that the individual had punctured a squad car tire where police officers were in there.

ANCHOR: The judge won't rule until Monday whether or not to release him on bond.

The black caucus called for police superintendent Garry McCarthy to be fired and calling for an independent investigation into the McDonald shooting.

HAIRSTON: There is no confidence at this time in the current state's attorney's ability to do an investigation.

ANCHOR: Reporters wanted to know why they didn't want to see the video before approving the settlement in April.

BROOKINS: At the time that it came to my attention and

I took heat for it, I called for the immediate release of this tape.

ANCHOR: He says that request was denied. Meanwhile President Obama released like many Americans I was deeply disturbed by the footage of the 17 year old Laquan McDonald.....and I'm personally grateful for the people of my hometown for keeping protests peaceful.

[NBC5 News at 5AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release](#)

ANCHOR: Let's get to a developing story. Chicago bracing for the very real possibility of more protests after a second night of demonstrations. Those turned ugly overnight.

In one incident several people attacked the city's official Christmas tree. Nbc 5's Emily Florez is live at millennium park with details.

FLOREZ: Stefan and Lauren, the picture says it all this morning. Some lights are dangling from the tree at millennium park. That's after protesters worked to strip the tree in the frustration over the Laquan McDonald case. [shouting] they wanted their message to be loud and clear and that it was. Near the end of their march

yesterday, things seemed to get more and more rowdy. Protesters charged and attacked the Christmas tree and ripping off the lights. At times demonstrators were running down the police, assuring that police were not dictating their direction. Protesters shut down intersections, staged a sit in on the Michigan Avenue bridge, brought traffic to a standstill on magnificent mile. And they also charged the lobby of the downtown trump hotel.

RUCKER: All those involved need to be indicted and convicted.

FLOREZ: Yesterday was the second da protests and the same day four additional surveillance videos were released showing 17-year-old Laquan McDonald shot 16 final times and killed by a police officer. Protests outraged by the death and demonstrations were planned to be peaceful yesterday, but the night held some tense moments. Here is video of barricades being torn down, shoving matches with police. And a few activists confronting police, face to face, with just inches in between. Now, this morning we are told by police that there were four protesters arrested last night on misdemeanor charges. After those protesters damaged the tree you had a live look at. Now, protesters are saying they're promising that this is some the beginning. We'll send it back to you in the studio. Nbc 5's Emily Florez, thanks so much.

ANCHOR: Some more people are calling for more demonstrations to disrupt black Friday along the mag mile. It's planned from 11:00 a.m. Tomorrow. Jesse Jackson and bobby rush are calling for a mass demonstration.

JACKSON: We believe that Michigan avenue fields is part of our concern. They will help us get a new police chief. And a special prosecutor and the grand jury.

ANCHOR: Retailers say they're working with police on plans to keep shoppers safe. Nbc 5's Regina Waldroup will have much more on this part of the story coming up in a live report at 5:30.

NBC5 News at 5AM: Special investigation into the missing audio sound from the Laquan McDonald Video

**B-Roll of MRE at press conference*

ANCHOR: Now more on new videos in an nbc 5 investigates exclusive. The dash cam video in the McDonald shooting had no audio. That's despite a system that's supposed to record picture and sound at the same time. Here's nbc 5's political reporter Carol Marin.

CARIN: Five police vehicles responded to the scene, at least two recorded video. None of the units recorded audio.

ALVAREZ: Although some of the other responding units had audio dash cams due to their positioning they did not capture the actual shooting nor do they contain audio recordings.

MCCARTHY: There was no audio with the tape that I saw.

CARIN: According to a police training video obtained by nbc 5, both picture and sound are automatically engaged when emergency lights are turned on.

POLICE TRAINING VIDEO: The in car camera system automatically engages video/audio recordings when the roof lights are activated.

CARIN: Video from the night clearly shows police cars with emergency lights activated.

MCCARTHY: Sometimes we have technical difficulties.

MARIN: But according to records obtained through the freedom of information act, no units on the scene that night reported any technical problems.

Sometimes officers need to be disciplined if they don't turn it on at the right circumstance.

MARIN: Among the remaining questions is what happened to the surveillance video from a nearby Burger King? As we reported last spring, according to the district manager from Burger King, four to five officers asked to view the video and left after three hours. The restaurant manager said afterwards it was discovered that there was an 86-minute gap in the video.

ALVAREZ: Forensic testing was done on the burger king surveillance system to determine if anyone tampered with the evidence and it did not reveal any such evidence.

REPORTER: Who did the testing?

ALVAREZ: That's all I'll say.

MARIN: Despite nbc 5's repeated requests, Chicago police have not released any police reports from the night Laquan McDonald was shot. Carol Marin, nbc 5 investigates.

CBS2 News at 6AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner

ANCHOR: Rahm Emanuel participated in an early thanksgiving dinner. The mayor, Alderman Ed Burke, Danny Solis, James Cappelman and others served thanksgiving dinner at the American Islamic college on the north side. Pete's fresh market and the greater food depository donated the meals for a dozen Syrian refugee families.

NBC5 News at 6:30AM: MRE welcomed Syrian refugees and served early Thanksgiving dinner

ANCHOR: New this morning, Chicagoans serve up an early thanksgiving meal to a dozen Syrian refugee families. Mayor Emanuel joined in and he tweeted this picture. It comes in the middle of the national debate over whether to accept Syrian refugees. Last week the city council passed a symbolic resolution establishes Chicago as a sanctuary city.

NBC5 News at 6AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release

ANCHOR: Developing this morning, Chicago police have released new dash cam footage of the Laquan McDonald shooting. This is one of the videos show showing him running in front of officer Jason Van Dyke's vehicle just 30 seconds before he shot and killed him. Video from another squad car shows Laquan on the ground, wounded. This has continued to spark protests in Chicago. Last night, some of those turned ugly. Some attacked the city's official Christmas tree in millennium park. Emily Florez is joining us with more details.

FLOREZ: Stefan, yes, we're learning new information this morning. Illinois state police have been called in to support Chicago police department through these demonstrations. Let me show you the picture of the Christmas tree. The demonstration that for the most part were peaceful, but ended in arrests last night after lights were ripped off the city's Christmas tree. [shouting] that's video of the scene last night in millennium park more than a hundred protesters surrounding the tree. Pushing, prodding and trying to strip the tree of the lights. Four demonstrators were arrested on misdemeanor charges. Yesterday, protesters shut down intersections, staged a sit in on Michigan avenue bridge, stopped traffic on the magnificent mile.

RUFF: It will make a difference. Young people -- they're doing the same thing that we did in the '60s and I'm so very proud of them.

RUFF: Demonstrators are outraged over the city's response to the death of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. He was shot 16 times and killed by Chicago police officer. His death is caught on surveillance video recently released to the public. The broken lights on the Christmas tree, they wait to be repaired as frustrated marchers promise this is only the beginning. We'll send it back to you in studio.

FLOREZ: Nbc 5's Emily Florez, thanks so much.

ANCHOR: This morning, a protest leader who was arrested is now free. During demonstrations Tuesday night, police arrested and charged 22-year-old Malcolm London with aggravated battery of a police officer. He struck an officer and now a cook county judge has let him go. He walked out to a crowd of supporters.

LONDON: I just think being in there tonight and standing in this jail cell with the people that I -- that come from the places that I come from, locked up in there, only made me realize how much harder we have to fight.

ANCHOR: We're told that he was freed after a deal was MacDonald him and the state's attorney office. Looking ahead, a call for more protesters tomorrow and that could disrupt black Friday along the mag

mile. That's a huge day for Chicago retailers. Nbc 5's Regina Waldroup is live along Michigan avenue with more.

WALDROUP: Good morning, Lauren. Organizers say they want change and they want the world to see what is happening in this city and so they're calling for a mass demonstration in the city's busiest shopping district. Last night, demonstrators protesting the shooting death of Laquan McDonald. They blocked Michigan avenue for several hours. They were loud and pretty peaceful, but very frustrating for people trying to get around in that area. Now, hours before one of the busiest shopping days of the year, protesters say a bigger demonstration in the works for black Friday with protesters aiming to shut down the famous Michigan Avenue shopping district. And Jesse Jackson says he hopes this will bring about change.

JACKSON: We want the whole world to see our pain and share our crisis.

WALDROUP: And retailers say they will work with police to keep shoppers safe. You have several religious leaders, community leaders and politicians and now the Chicago Teacher's Union say they support this demonstration and also plan to take part. That's the latest from here. Now back to you.

ANCHOR: Thank you. We'll have continuing coverage of the police shooting video and the fallout online right now on the nbc Chicago app as well.

WGN News at 6AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release

ANCHOR: Four more dashcam videos are released, showing different angles of the events leading up to the killing of Laquan McDonald. The video was shot from four more squad cars that responded to the McDonald a brief perspective from the vehicle carrying the officer who shot him. It shows the car pursuing McDonald through a burger king parking lot moments before van dyke shot him 16 times. Other videos show squad cars racing to the scene before setting up a perimeter. Protesters again marched through the city last night. They made their way through the loop, river north and the gold coast, blocking intersections along the way including on mag mile. For the most part the second night of protests were again peaceful, as protesters walked through the city, stopping and sitting in intersections to block traffic along the way. There were also tense moments last night as protesters confronted police. Some got in the face of officers. Others got into scuffles with police who were trying to block protesters from accessing certain streets. Here you can see protesters gathered near lake and wells. Trying to get past bike police to head north on wells. A small group of protesters also tore apart barricades police had set up at millennium park. They made their way to the Christmas tree to pull lights off the branches. Overall last night, police arrested four protesters. Community leaders in Chicago are calling for widespread systematic change in the wake of the McDonald shooting. Groups, including the local chapter of the NAACP are calling for reforms including an investigation into the agency charged with investigating the police. That's because the independent police review authority has found most police involved shootings justified, despite the city paying out millions of dollars to settle police abuse claims.

REINES: If you put this much tax payer money out poor settlement, how can you say that everytng was justified?

ANCHOR: The Chicago urban league is writing a letter to the u-s attorney general Loretta Lynch asking the justice department to launch a "pattern and practice" investigation into the Chicago police department that would be similar to investigations conducted in Baltimore, Cleveland, and Ferguson.

Fox Chicago News at 6:30AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release

ANCHOR: We begin this morning with breaking news. Another night of protests following the release of the Laquan McDonald tape. It was fairly peaceful and later things got rowdy in millennium park. We saw the video off the top of the show. Some people ripping off the lights of the Christmas tree. Some other destruction as well? Right?

LUM: They stomped on the greenery around it. There was a barricade that's broken around it and now metal fences around the tree. Trees showing wear and tear. This is where things got off track in terms of peaceful

protests. There's spots that need to be repaired here as far as the decorative lights. The public is going to come downtown to see the parade and see this as well. This is where the protest kind of wound down last night. This is what it looked like. They were pulling at the strands of lights. This is an ending to a long evening. Demonstrators shouted in their faces. The protesters did tie up traffic. There were loud messages why it took 16 shots. Why they were fired at Laquan McDonald.

PROTESTOR: Shoot me 16 times. Do it, I dare you. I see it in your eyes.

LUM: We are into the third day after the videotape of the shooting released. A little bit of vandalism here in millennium park. Security has arrived. We don't know if they are alive today. Live at millennium park, Joanie lum.

ANCHOR: In the wake of this case. Anita Alvarez says she might be open to proposals that would allow videos being opened earlier. Critics says Alvarez should have helped facilitate the release of the video back then. In the interview with Larry Yellen, she called for critics politically motivated. She wanted to make sure a thorough investigation was done before giving charges.

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ALVAREZ: The question has come, is it important to release these earlier despite the fact that you may not be completed with your investigation. Something that we need to look at.

YELLEN: The video should be released within 72 hours.

ALVAREZ: I'm open to discussion about that.

ANCHOR: She never discussed the ongoing investigation with the mayor. There's calls for Alvarez and Garry McCarthy to step down. Some members of the city council's black caucus say they were lied to more months what they showed. One alderman says the tape of the killing is not sufficient to support the firing. For the very first time. The President Obama is weighing in saying he's deeply disturbed by the footage. The president said in a statement on Facebook, I ask everyone to keep those who suffered tragic loss in our thoughts and prayers and grateful for the men and women that protect our communities with honor. You can find more video and reaction at www.fox32chicago.com and on the fox 32 app.

[Fox Chicago News at 6:30AM: Request for the release of Ronald Johnson video](#)

ANCHOR: As anger grows, we learned another police shooting captured on dash cam video that the city is refusing to release. This happened days before McDonald was killed. 25-year old Ronald Johnson was killed because he allegedly pointed a gun at officers. His mother said the shooting never should have happened. She tells Dane Placko that she wants the world to see what happened to her son.

PLACKO: What was it like for you to look at the Laquan McDoanld video?

MOTHER OF JOHNSON: It was -- it was hard. It put me in the mind of the video of my son being killed the same way.

ANCHOR: A spokesperson says it cannot comment on the video because it's under litigation.

[CBS2 News at 6:30AM: Request for the release of dash cam video of shooting Ronald Johnson](#)

ANCHOR: The mother of another Chicago man claims her son was killed unjustifiably by police, days before the Laquan McDonald shooting. 25-year-old, Ronald Johnson was killed by Chicago police on October 12, 2014. Police say Johnson pulled a gun during a street chase, but yesterday his mother told our Derek Blakely the dash cam video tells a different story.

BLAKELEY: You don't believe your son was armed or carrying a gun?

HOLMES: He wasn't. He had nothing in his hand. He was running with an open hand.

ANCHOR: After Johnson's family sued police, the city asked a federal court to place the footage under a protective order. The court did, but the Johnson family wants it released. Chicago police did not respond to our request for comment on the story.

[ABC7 News at 6:30AM: Latest developments into Laquan McDonald surrounding video release](#)

ANCHOR: First this half hour, Chicago police arrested at least four people in the latest protests.

This is over the shooting of Laquan McDonald D'Onofrio is live now from the police station at 18th and state this morning.

D'ONOFRIO: Protestors were angry and agitated and four ended up in lockup. a second day of outrage after dash cam video shows Jason van dyke shooting Laquan McDonald 16 times. Some demonstrators causing property damage, ripping lights off the city Christmas tree in millennium park. you can see broken gates and lights missing. it blocked intersections and shut down the mag mile. at one point, they let a scared couple go through to get home. protestors stood face to face with officers staring them down and then at times things got physical. protestors tried to take bikes away from cops. all of this taking place in and around the loop and the gold coast.

HANEY: We are happy that he did get arrested and is charged with first degree murder but people feel like he was only charged because the video came out.

ACTIVIST: I don't think it will change anything, but the one thing that should be changed is superintendent McCarthy needs to be fired.

D'ONOFRIO: Activists also want a special prosecutor to take over the case, plus they want to see the department of justice investigate how this case was handled. Meanwhile, more demonstrations are planned for 11 a.m. on Friday on the mag mile aimed at the busy shopping holiday rush. bishop Larry Trotter will hold a news conference today. he says 1, 500 people will join him in his outrage, he is calling for many city leaders to resign in this case. reporting live at the first police district, Jessica D'Onofrio, abc 7 eyewitness news

ANCHOR: Now let's look at the Christmas tree in Millennium Park. There is damage and the protests last night and you can see barricades up and around it, protecting it now, and you can bet the crews will be out there soon to fix it on this thanksgiving morning. Now let's go back to the video of the scene of last year's shooting, a burger king manager saying officers came into his restaurant near the scene and erased surveillance camera video, and he says four or five officers came in, asked for the password to the surveillance system. A camera, allegedly capturing one of the officers fooling around with the dvr and the manager explained when the police independent review authority showed up later it was discovered that up to 15 files had been deleted. Police say the f.b.i. previously said there was no tampering.

The activist behind the release of the shooting video says it proves the police department needs new training. William Calloway and Brandon Smith spoke to reporters for the first time since the video was made public. They fought for months to force the city to release it and got access to it through the freedom of information act. Calloway calls the video despicable.

CALLOWAY: It was disheartening to watch an officer of the law who took an oath to serve and protect our community to get out and violate that trust.

ANCHOR: The pair says they wanted to shed light on the culture inside the police department that allows to shoot people without repercussions.

[WGN News at 9PM: Protests in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case](#)

ANCHOR: Now back to those protests. Separate crowds, demonstrating in different areas tonight. WGN's Erik Runge is live with one of those groups.

RUNGE: Good evening, they are on the move again. We were down by 18th and State at the police station down there. Protesters are saying that 3 people got arrested, police telling me 2 after a small scuffle broke out as a number of protesters tried to make a run for the expressway to block that. As you can see ahead of me there are a handful of demonstrators, they're making their way to Harrison and State where another group has gathered. But they have been gathering all day long, starting at 4:00, another group started down in the loop. We have walked about 8 mi. downtown all the way from State and Jackson to Water Tower Place. Along the way they were shutting a number of intersections down. It has remained peaceful so far, however, we saw several kind of staredowns, you could call it, with police with protesters getting in the face of police officers

and basically yelling at them, but nothing ever happened. No protesters at that point arrested for doing that. And police officers really just stood their ground. We didn't see that all that often but we saw several occasions when they would just stop. As I mentioned, we have followed these demonstrators for quite a while as they shutdown Michigan Avenue for awhile all the way up to the Tribune Tower and all the way up to Water Tower Place where there will be another protest on Friday and they expect that to be very large. However as I mentioned, the protest tonight is still going on as a number of protesters that were down at 18th and State at the police station there are now making the way to another protest at Harrison and State and we are on the way there now. We will update you on the way. Back to you guys.

ANCHOR: Thank you, Erik.

Fox Chicago News at 9PM: Protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: Several groups of protesters on the move right now. I'm Dawn Hasbrouck.

I'm Jeff Herndon. There are a number of demonstrations underway in response to the shooting death of Laquan McDonald by Officer Jason Van Dyke. You are looking at live pictures from air Fox over 17th and state. We are following all of the developments today from every angle, from the live protest to the calls for resignation. We begin with Craig Wall on the ground near State and Harrison. Fred?

WALL: We are at 17th and Harrison at assistant police headquarters where there has been an arrest tonight. We have video we want to show you, the arrest happened as protesters were coming south after going all the way up Michigan Ave. They came down south and approximately at Financial Place and Harrison, police arrested one man and took him away. It seemed they were taken him away without incident. They are claiming that William Calloway was the person arrested there. As we looked at the video, that is not William Calloway. One of the people that helped force police to release the video of Laquan McDonald. It has been boisterous and loud and crazy tonight. But at this point, everything seems to be calming down.

As they headed up state streets, dozens of protesters chanted about what many find to be the troubling aspect of the shooting of Laquan McDonald: why Officer Jason Van Dyke had to shoot him 16 times when he was already on the ground.

HARDIMAN: If it wasn't for the dash cam video, we wouldn't be here, this execution would be swept under the rug.

WALL: One protester repeatedly taunted officers right to their face trying to provoke an action, but police kept their calm. Protesters shut down traffic at several intersections during the heat of rush hour. But police officers with bikes blocked roads heading east to keep the demonstrators from leaving Michigan Ave. and getting on to Lake Shore Drive. Frustrated motorists worked through their displeasure of the inconvenience, while supporting the right to do what they were doing.

MOTORIST: I'm trying to go home. I'm trying to pick up my wife and go home. I think they are doing okay. They are not causing any violence or nothing.

WALL: As demonstrators made their way up the Mag Mile, they counted out the 16 shots that took Laquan McDonald's life, and while they were at times loud, they were not violent.

PROTESTER: We have to do this peacefully. It's going to work in Chicago.

WALL: Protests here seemed to have wrapped up. Though they were calling for people to join them back at State and Harrison for the next round of protests and marches. There are a few people still here. Bicycle cops are still here to make sure that no one tries to get in the police station where they we believe they were processing one person arrested. Although some protesters say three people were arrested. We will follow this through the newscast.

Craig Wall reporting live.

ABC7 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald case

ANCHOR: New protests over the police shooting of Laquan McDonald. Protesters have stormed into Millennium Park. Just a few minutes ago it looked like they were going after the city's official Christmas tree.

Also tonight, a new perspective of that shooting. The I-team obtained dash cam video from the car of the officer now charged with first-degree murder in the case. We'll have a play by play of that video. We have three reports on the shooting. Eric Hong leads off with the latest on the protests.

HONG: We're on the Wabash bridge headed north right now, this group of protesters moving quickly right now. I have to tell you, within the last 10 minutes, what had been a largely peaceful protest for several hours took a turn to the negative. We have some video from Millennium Park. They ended up entering the park despite the best efforts of the police department. We saw them doing some damage to the city's Christmas tree which is adorned with lights, we also saw some damage to fences around the tree. We did witness a couple of people being detained outside Millennium Park as a result of that action. This on top of two other people were arrested earlier in the south Loop. Tonight's confrontation on the streets of downtown. Police and protesters face to face. Attempts by protesters to head east of Millennium Park foiled by a line of officers blocking Michigan Avenue. After blocking traffic on Michigan Ave. the crowd headed south. At one point ending up in front of our ABC 7 studios. Protesters saying accountability in the Laquan McDonald case extends beyond Officer Van Dyke

PROTESTER: I think if the video would not have come out, and the cover-up would have continued and everyone is really upset about that.

HONG: After demonstrators headed west on Congress, attempting to enter I-290, chopper 7 spotted at least two protesters being arrested following an apparent scuffle. Fellow demonstrators then heading to the district one police station to call for their release.

PROTESTER: Their training needs to be changed to a less force-applied and more trying to deescalate the situation -- more training to deescalate the situation.

HONG: Right in front of Trump Tower, what we just saw is protesters clashing with security guards outside of the hotel. Let me show you what is going on with the protesters heading west from this area. So that is the situation, this crowd moving extremely fast. We have been trying to keep up. In just the last 15 or 20 minutes, the mood of these demonstrations which had been largely peaceful throughout the day taking a bit of a negative turn.

NBC5 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding Laquan McDonald video

ANCHOR: Tonight, breaking news. New demonstrations in Chicago tonight and they get violent as protesters try to tear down the city Christmas tree in Millennium Park. Let's begin with Katie Kim downtown tonight, what can you tell us?

KIM: We're near Michigan and Whacker. We're marching with the protesters right now, this is a very rapidly developing story. Within the last five minutes these protesters broke down some barricades and rushed Millennium Park. It seemed it was going to be peaceful and then they made an aim for the Christmas tree. They started pulling out the lights. Protesters there yelling, quote, this is part of the problem. Again they're marching down Michigan and Whacker right now. Activists vowing to take to the streets. As they promised, they are, for a change at the police department.

PROTESTER: Hand up. Don't shoot.

KIM: Their voices loud. Protesters made sure they were heard, they shut down intersections, staging a sit in at the Michigan Ave. bridge chanting outside the Trump hotel. Bringing traffic to a stand still along the Magnificent Mile.

PROTESTER: It will make a difference. Young people are doing the same thing we did in the '60s. I'm so very proud of them.

KIM: The group remained mainly peaceful. But there were some tense moments as a few activists confronted cops face-to-face.

PROTESTER: All the cops who murdered those people need to be indicted and convicted.

PROTESTER: Send those killer cops to jail.

KIM: Tonight marks the second night of protest, following the release of video showing Chicago police officer shooting teen Laquan McDonald to his death. And marchers promise this is only the beginning.

CROWD: The whole system is guilty as hell.

KIM: You're taking a live look outside the Trump Tower. You can see that protesters came knocking down some of the lights outside the Trump Tower, clashing with police. I apologize if we're a bit out of breath. We were running to chase the protesters. We're following the protesters. Obviously it's a developing situation. We'll bring you the latest later in this newscast. Back to you.

ANCHOR: Another group of adults and young people took their protests to Chicago police headquarters. They want to use this incident as a teaching moment. Natalie Martinez is live with that part of the story.

MARTINEZ: It started with a meeting in Bronzeville and ended here at police headquarters with a strong message for those inside, tonight in Bronzeville they watched the video that's sparked nationwide conversation.

ACTIVIST: We're demanding a federal Department of Justice investigation into the cover up of this case and the many others that have yet to be investigated.

MARTINEZ: Calling it a collection of black organizations in Chicago, young and old were invited to discuss the dash cam video showing Laquan McDonald getting shot to death in 2014.

ACTIVIST: I think the reason why we're here is to define who the "they" are, and to define what we're going to do about the they.

MARTINEZ: They took their energy to the streets. Marching six blocks to police headquarters with a message for Black Friday.

ACTIVIST: Tell them we'll be down there to shut down the Magnificent Mile in the most non-violent way.

MARTINEZ: Some protesters tell us they have lost faith.

PROTESTER: The police dept. is a joke. There's no respect. They have this code of silence to protect one another.

MARTINEZ: So they will try to make their point through the city's pocketbook.

ACTIVIST: Disrupt the economic sector of Chicago.

MARTINEZ: They say they're hoping for a better future.

PROTESTER: I want to grow up.

MARTINEZ: He says he wants to grow up. The adults we spoke to, most of them said they want to make it clear that they plan to peacefully slow the flow of business on Friday. We're live at police headquarters, Natalie Martinez, NBC 5 news.

ANCHOR: Protesters are planning to target the mag mile on Black Friday. Rev. Jesse Jackson, Congressman Danny Davis and Bobby Rush were among local leaders calling for a mass demonstration there, Jackson says he wants to put Chicago in the spotlight.

JACKSON: We believe that if Michigan Ave. feels the pressure of our concerns, they will help us get a new police chief. They will help us get a special prosecutor and a grand jury.

ANCHOR: Business owners say they are working on plans to ensure the safety of shoppers.

[CBS2 News at 10PM: Protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald case](#)

ANCHOR: For the second straight night, protesters are out in the street. CBS 2 is live now in Millennium Mark where they are now. Audrina?

BIGOS: Right now we are in River North. You can see hundreds of protesters are here on the street, they are starting to form another circle. This is one of many stops they've made. They started at State and Harrison about 30 minutes ago. They walked to Michigan Avenue, broke through barricades in Millennium Park, they started tearing off Christmas lights on those trees. They just stopped at the Trump Tower and started tearing off lights and Christmas decorations on that building and now as you can see, they are forming a in circle River North. We are on State and Kenzie right now. Protesters yelling. They are angry again. You can see video here of protesters running up to the Christmas tree, breaking the barricades around it. They started ripping the

lights off the tree. Several dozen protesters got in on that. And now we're going to show you a little bit of what we saw earlier today. Several protests around the city.

More scuffles in tonight's protests. Here, a melee as police kept protesters from trying to get into Congress Parkway.

PROTESTER: [Inaudible].... To jail!

BIGOS: Protesters walked along 35th to police headquarters. Police walking with them. Demonstrators calling out the names, Rahm Emanuel, Anita Alvarez and Garry McCarthy calling for them to be removed. Chanting, saying there was a cover-up in Laquan McDonald's case.

PROTESTER: This is a call for black people to take action and unite.

What is it that you are protesting? What is it that you want to see done?

PROTESTER: I would like to see the unnecessary killing stop.

BIGOS: This mother brought her twins, 8-year-old sons out to the march. She is not only here for Laquan, but also for nine-year-old Tyshawn Lee.

PROTESTER: Tyshawn got killed around the park that these little men play at and you know, and my daughter went to school with him.

BIGOS: Protesters spreading the word about the Black Friday protest.

ACTIVIST: We do not come to damage property. We do not come to be violent. We will shut this city down.

BIGOS: Those protests earlier today, more peaceful than what we are seeing tonight. Though they are forming a circle now, just a few minutes ago on Michigan Avenue, we saw two women being restrained by officers. Those women were trying to breakthrough barricades. They pushed them down and police did restrain those women, but tonight we haven't seen anymore arrests other than that. We'll bring you any updates if the violence continues tonight. Tonight, live in River North, CBS 2 news. Rob and Irika.

ANCHOR: Now we want to show you once again from chopper 2. The Christmas tree in Millennium Park that was just turned on yesterday as Audrina mentioned, several dozen protesters began ripping the lights off that tree within the past hour.

[Fox Chicago News at 9PM: Black caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case](#)

ANCHOR: New calls today for Chicago police Supt. Garry McCarthy and and Cook County State's attorney Anita Alvarez to resign. The NAACP and Urban League also want the US Department of Justice to investigate police shootings of african-americans.

FLANNERY: Some in City Council's black caucus say they are angry about the Laquan McDonald video. Not just for what it shows, they say a top lawyer in the mayor's office lied to them for months about what was in the video.

ALD. BROOKINS: We were misled, we were misled!

FLANNERY: Ald. Brookins and others in the black caucus say that mayor Rahm Emanuel's top city lawyer didn't level with them when he said video of the killing of Laquan McDonald wasn't enough in and of itself to support firing Officer Jason Van Dyke.

ALD. BROOKINS: All the facts were known and it was a clear video to show it. The official position of this black caucus, is that we have called for the resignation or the termination of the superintendent of police Garry McCarthy.

FLANNERY: They also called on Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez to resign and demanded changes in the police union contract. Aldermen blasted the collective bargaining agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police. Its provisions can require more than a year even an officer guilty of outrageous wrongdoing. Alderman Pat Dowell wants..

ALD. DOWELL: ...to review the contract to make sure there are tougher policies and sanctions against police officers who do egregious or illegal acts.

FLANNERY: Those issues have been the subject of bitter political battles since the 1960s. A veteran of the police accountability oversight wars is now president of the Chicago Police board. She knows full well the fears of rank and file officers.

LIGHTFOOT: If you were interviewing someone from the FOP, I think what they would tell you is there's too much scrutiny, there's too much supervision. Police officers are held to a different standard and a higher standard and held accountable when they violate their out.

FLANNERY: Leaders of the local NAACP though say there's not enough accountability. They want the Dept. of Justice to investigate police shootings in Chicago and the suburbs. The NAACP here also called for replacing the independent police review authority with an unprecedented elected police accountability board. Police board officials here told me they don't believe any other big city in the country has such an elected police oversight board.

ANCHOR: A spokeswoman for Mayor Rahm Emanuel told us tonight, quote, the mayor fully supports superintendent Garry McCarthy.

[ABC7 News at 10PM: Black caucus discusses Laquan McDonald case](#)

ANCHOR: The call for change from the top is growing louder in Chicago. Stacey Baca joining us at City Hall with that part of the coverage.

BACA: The mayor once again saying he fully supports police Supt. Garry McCarthy, even though a national organization is now asking McCarthy and Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez to step down. Hand in hand at a south side church tonight, Chicago alderman and community members prayed for peace. There was also a call for action. The National Bar Association, the oldest and largest group of mostly African-American attorneys and judges, is calling for the resignations of police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez. The group's president saying it unacceptable that it took over a year to file charges against Officer Van Dyke.

ALD. DOWELL: They are in a pressure cooker and it is time for them to step down.

ALD. COCHRAN: It may be time for that.

BACA: For Alvarez and McCarthy to go?

ALD. COCHRAN: That is what has been said, and that is what will be done.

BACA: And that's what you believe?

ALD. COCHRAN: I believe.

BACA: At City Hall earlier today..

ALD. BROOKINS: Yes, we were misled, we were misled!

BACA: Chicago's black aldermanic caucus frustrated and upset about the video, believing they were misled when they heard about it months ago during the \$5 million settlement with McDonald's family.

BROOKINS: It did not and should not have taken a full year to determine what happened when all of the facts were known and there was a clear video to show it.

BACA: Tonight State's Attorney Alvarez released this statement, saying they took the necessary time to complete a thorough, comprehensive investigation. Anita Alvarez is running for re-election for a third term next year. As for McCarthy, the members of the black caucus say they will call for a no-confidence vote during the next council meeting.

[WGN News at 9PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson shooting video](#)

ANCHOR: The freelance journalist who filed the lawsuit to force the city to release the police shooting video says he's working on another controversial police shooting case. Journalist Brandon Smith and community activists are now calling attention to the shooting of Ronald Johnson. He was killed by Chicago police on October 12th of 2014 at 53rd and King Drive. Police at the time said Johnson pointed a gun at an officer and the officer opened fire, but Johnson's mother says the shoot was captured on a police dashcam.

HOLMES: I'm asking that the mayor, McCarthy, Alvarez, release the video so everybody can see that this officer is lying about what happened on that night when he murdered my son.

ANCHOR: Activists are also calling for civilian oversight to investigate police shootings, they called for more transparency in the investigations into police shootings.

Fox Chicago News at 9:30PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson shooting video

ANCHOR: As anger grows in the Laquan McDonald video, there's another police shooting captured on dash cam video that the city is refusing to release. This one occurred just days before McDonald's murder in October 2014. Fox 32's Dane Placko talked to the mother of the shooting victim who says she wants the world to see what happened to her son.

PLACKO: What was it like for you to look at the Laquan McDonald video?

JOHNSON: It was -- it was hard. It kind of took a lot out of me because it put me in a place of remembering looking at a video of my son being killed the same way.

PLACKO: Dorothy Holmes says her son was also a victim of a police shooting that should have never happened. 25-year-old Ronald Johnson was killed by police in the 5300 block of King Drive last year, eight days before Laquan McDonald was shot. Police say they were forced to shoot because Johnson pointed a gun at officers. But a wrongful death and excessive force lawsuit filed by the family said Johnson was unarmed and did nothing to provoke the shooting.

HOLMES: He ran past that police car. Then that's when you see the doors open on the police car and they just started shooting.

PLACKO: Holmes said she saw the dash cam video about a month ago when she went to IPRA, the independent police review board. Which has been investigating the shooting for over a year. The officer who killed Johnson remains on leave. Today activists joined Holmes in calling for the video's release.

CALLOWAY: The mayor has an opportunity not just to show the city, but to show the country that this city will provide transparency and Dorothy Holmes, the mother of Ronald Johnson deserves that transparency. So release the tape.

HOLMES: I'm asking that the mayor, McCarthy, Alvarez release the video so everybody can see that this officer is lying about what happened that night the night he murdered my son.

PLACKO: The family's lawyers are planning to hold a conference next week to turn up the heat on the case, saying they can't understand why the investigation has taken over a year. A spokesman for IPRA says the investigation is ongoing and they're doing the due diligence to make sure all of the evidence is collected.

ANCHOR: Dane Placko reporting. Thank you very much.

CBS2 News at 10PM: Activists call for release of Ronald Johnson video

ANCHOR: Well, the mother of another Chicago man claims her son was killed unjustifiably by police, days before the Laquan McDonald shooting. 25-year-old, Ronald Johnson was killed by Chicago police on October 12, 2014. Police say Johnson pulled a gun during a street chase, but today his mother told our Derek Blakely the dash cam video tells a different story.

BLAKELEY: You don't believe your son was armed or carrying a gun?

HOLMES: He wasn't. He had nothing in his hand. He was running with an open hand.

ANCHOR: After Johnson's family sued police, the city asked a federal court to place the footage under a protective order. The court did, but the Johnson family wants it released. Chicago police did not respond to our request for comment on the story.

[WGN News at 9:30PM: Sean Lewis discusses Laquan McDonald case with Anita Alvarez](#)

ANCHOR: This day after the video of Laquan McDonald's shooting was made public, many are asking why it took so long to charge the officer who shot the teen. Cook County state's attorney Anita Alvarez has been under fire, with many calling for her resignation. WGN's Sean Lewis sat down with her today.

LEWIS: She admits that a joint investigation with the US Attorney's office did make it last longer but that it was worth it to build a solid case. Tonight, she responds. Questions of a police cover-up and the calls for her resignation.

LEWIS: What goes through your mind when you hear something like that?

ALVAREZ: Well, you know, several things. I think the criticism about the length of this investigation, it's misplaced and it's unwarranted. I'm a prosecutor and I'm a professional prosecutor. That's what I am, and I've been doing this job 29 years. So I know what it takes to do an investigation like this. All these things take time. You know, I will not apologize for doing a thorough and meticulous evaluation and investigation on this matter. That's my job as State's Attorney. I think the general public realizes that.

PROTESTERS: 16 shots

LEWIS: During last night's protests, the finger was being pointed at you and your office, calls for you to resign in some cases because of how long this investigation took and for charges to be filed. How do you respond to criticism like that?

ALVAREZ: You know, that criticism is coming from-- it's all political. It's political criticism. It's coming from my political opponents. I think people who are you know, injecting politics into this decision-making process are, first of all, they're wrong, and they're misinformed.

LEWIS: But questions do remain on what some are calling missing evidence, specifically, 86 minutes of surveillance video from a Burger King a half block away from the shooting scene.

ALVAREZ: The police did go to the Burger King to try to retrieve any video, as they did other businesses in that area. We don't have-- our investigation at this point has not revealed any misconduct by the police with regards to any video footage.

LEWIS: Did your investigation find any evidence of a cover-up? Was there a cover-up underway to try and quash this video and make sure that this incident just went away?

ALVAREZ: We haven't uncovered any evidence of any kind of grand conspiracy by the police department trying to cover up this video at all. You know, IPRA obtained that video two weeks after Laquan was shot. They gave it to us two weeks after, and that's, you know, that's when we first opened up our investigation. Then we sat down with the feds.

LEWIS: It's that partnership with the FBI and the US attorney she says actually made for the longer investigation.

LEWIS: Do you think that partnership was worth it in the end?

ALVAREZ: The pluses to that is having the resources and the fact that you have the FBI as your investigating agency. The minus to that is, yes, it is a different timeline. and the benefit is that I believe we did such an in-depth meticulous investigation that to build the best case possible, at least for us on the state side, and I think that's a good thing.

LEWIS: A good thing perhaps at trial, but right now it is a political battle to defend her decisions made during a campaign for reelection.

ALVAREZ: I understand the criticism. You know, I can take it. And you know, I know that the critics out there, it's all politically motivated. I understand it. I get it. But this isn't my first year of the NFL.

LEWIS: The election, by the way, is coming up in March. The US attorney did release a statement on Tuesday that said the federal case is still active and ongoing. States attorney Alvarez tells me today that she expects an announcement from that office in the near future. Sean Lewis, WGN news.

WGN News at 9PM: Latest developments and protest in the city regarding the Laquan McDonald video

ANCHOR: We begin with breaking news. Demonstrations are continuing in downtown Chicago tonight. This is in response to the release of the video showing 17-year-old Laquan McDonald being shot by police Officer Jason Van Dyke. You're looking live at the police station on 18th and State where protesters are gathering right now. We'll have more on the protests in just a moment. However, there's new dashcam video tonight from the scene of the Laquan McDonald shooting from four more police dashcams, giving us a new perspective on what happened on the southwest side over a year ago. It may also raise some new questions. WGN's Tom Negovan is here with that video and more on what it tells us tonight.

NEGOVAN: The dashcam recordings were released by the city today. The shots are grainy, sometimes blurry. As with the video wave all already seen, there's no audio. But we do see Laquan McDonald from the perspective of the man who killed him. This video has out of focus as it is, appears to be from the squad car in which accused murderer officer Jason Van Dyke was riding approaching the Burger King at 41st and Pulaski. You briefly see Laquan McDonald run in front of the cars and then the officers pull up beside him as the jobs down Pulaski road. We have already seen what happens minutes after that, McDonald shot by Van Dyke 16 times as he ignores orders to stop while brandishing a 3 in. knife. The new video released today shows other officers responding rapidly to the scene. One dashcam reveals an ambulance staged nearby about five minutes after the shooting. We see that some police vehicles are on the scene for just a matter of seconds before turning around and helping to set up a perimeter. But from the grainy video we count at least 10 cars and SUVs, most would have had dashboard cameras. The city has released a video from five of them so far. None have audio, a technical glitch that the department says it is trying to work out. But even without sound the pictures are revealing, and not just the blurry shot that shows the last minutes of McDonald's life. But this one from a responding unit that pulls up at the Burger King reminding us how close it is to the scene of the shooting. There have been questions about that, allegations that Chicago police may have tampered with surveillance video from the restaurant, deleting 86 minutes, but police insist that did not happen. The state's attorney Anita Alvarez addressed the question somewhat awkwardly yesterday.

ALVAREZ: The video at Burger King was something that came up and it was something that was looked at but it should be noted that the cameras at Burger King would not have captured the shooting. It does not appear that they were tampered with and it does not reveal that any of that kind of evidence, however the investigation will always continue.

NEGOVAN: And as that investigation continues we have five dashcam recordings right now, several more exist obviously have not been released however police and prosecutors say none of those show McDonald's shooting more clearly than the graphic video released yesterday. One video that we have chosen not to show you shows a close view of McDonald lying in the street moments after being fatally shot, an object that appears to be that 3 in. knife laying next to him.

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To: Collins, Adam;Quinn, Kelley;Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Fw: Policy proposals
Attachments: Police Discipline Policy Reforms.docx

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 4:08:43 PM
To: REMOC
Cc: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David
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On Nov 26, 2015, at 8:22 PM, Ewing, Clothilde <Clothilde.Ewing@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Is everyone sold on tomorrow? [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:03 PM
To: Mitchell, Eileen; Rountree, Janey
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I have but not about the morning. I'd definitely do paper or place a story. Did not get through to garry when I tried earlier.

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:47 PM
To: Rountree, Janey

Subject: Re: Policy proposals

Mayor would like to announce this tomorrow AM. We need to loop in Comms. Janey please send to them also. David - have you heard from him - paper or otherwise. I will call Garry if you have not. Thanks.

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Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:30 PM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: Tomorrow

If we can solve body cams without a call, I do t care what time we touch base and will schedule for your clock if possible. Just let me know please. Happy Thanksgiving.

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The Chicago Police Department plans to expand the pilot program to a second police district with different demographics, but not until at least January, said Anthony Guglielmi, a police spokesman.

The department is testing systems from two vendors, including a body camera that officers can also mount in their cars, Guglielmi said.

“Initially, we have gotten some very positive results from our pilot,” he said.

The Independent Police Review Authority, which processes complaints against officers, hasn't received any complaints against officers wearing body cameras in the pilot program, said Scott Ando, chief administrator of the agency.

Ed Yohnka, a spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, said he wasn't surprised by that.

“People behave differently when they are on camera,” he said, pointing to a 2012 study in Rialto, Calif., that found complaints against cops wearing body cameras dropped almost 90 percent.

The department has been using in-car video systems since 2012. It was such a dashboard camera that captured Officer Jason Van Dyke shooting a knife-wielding teenager, Laquan McDonald, 16 times in 2014, prompting Cook County prosecutors to charge the officer with murder on Tuesday. The video should have been accompanied by audio but wasn't.

City Inspector General Joe Ferguson, in his audit plan for 2016 issued this week, said he will conduct an audit of Chicago Police dashboard cameras to determine if the department is “effectively managing and maintaining” them. “OIG has been alerted to potential issues with CPD’s management of its dashboard cameras, including inoperable cameras, lack of routine maintenance and lack of proper footage archives,” he wrote.

The Obama administration has been pushing for police departments to adopt body cameras as another tool to strengthen the oversight of their officers. The U.S. Justice Department recently authorized a \$1 million grant for Chicago to buy the devices.

Earlier this year, the Illinois General Assembly passed a law governing the use of body cameras and approved a \$5 charge on traffic tickets to help local police departments pay for them.

The Chicago Police Department has applied for a state grant to buy body cameras, Guglielmi said. One of the biggest costs is data storage, he noted.

The department’s own regulations on body cameras say they can bolster criminal prosecutions and protect officers from false accusations. The public can also use them as evidence of police misconduct.

“In many cases, they add additional insight into encounters,” Guglielmi said.

Yohnka said he wasn’t bothered with the slow pace of Chicago’s rollout of body cameras, noting that police agencies across the country are having the same experience.

“We’re just at the front end of the wave,” he said.

“From our perspective, we have always thought that the more of this sort of objective record that one has, the closer we are to getting real oversight and transparency about the way in which police officers interact with civilians,” Yohnka said. “More of this video is better.”

In New Orleans, where persistent problems with corruption and brutality have landed the police department under federal court oversight, nearly all patrol officers have been outfitted with body cameras for more than a year.

Officers are supposed to activate the cameras when responding to calls for service or when interacting with the public, though early reports by

federal monitors last year pointed out problems with officers not consistently turning on the devices, as well as problems with storing and cataloging the massive amount of video.

In one noteworthy incident, an officer failed to turn on her camera during a traffic stop in which she shot the driver — a man with whom she'd had an on-duty scuffle the day before.

New Orleans police brass and union leaders have said that camera footage has nearly always vindicated officers in encounters that have led to misconduct complaints from residents.

Contributing: Fran Spielman and Andy Grimm

From: Spielfogel, David

Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:04 PM

To: Mitchell, Eileen; Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Bennett, Kenneth

Subject: Re: Tomorrow

3. Nope, and I think paper is the right way to go. Can basically take the release we did when we launched the pilot, and expand on it.

Original Message

From: Mitchell, Eileen

Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:53 PM

To: Collins, Adam; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Bennett, Kenneth

Subject: Tomorrow

1) Please plan on a conf call at 9:30.

2). MRE wants to announce body camera expansion in the AM. Janey will send around background if you don't have it.

3). David - paper only or did he mention an event to you. Understand you may have moved this already but did not see any email chain with Comms.

Thanks.

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I'm good. Wondering if we also add at the end of the statement, something like "we have also shared this file with the FBI, who is leading the criminal investigation into the shooting incident." Probably superfluous but might help to clarify that the FBI is the agency doing the forensic anlaysis on all this stuff wihtout coming out and saying it

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:41 AM
To: Guglielmi, Anthony; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Thoughts on video stmt

Makes sense to me. Janey, are you good?

From: Guglielmi, Anthony <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 8:39 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Collins, Adam
Subject: FW: Thoughts on video stmt

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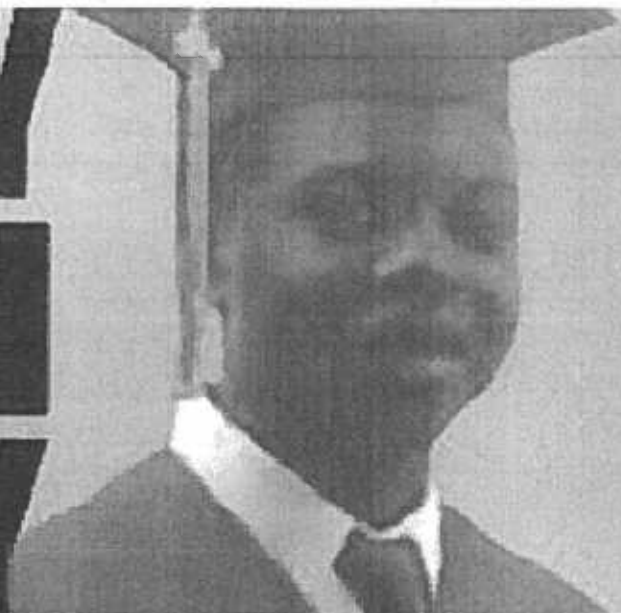
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Totally agree

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This demands a correction. Literally everything they base their opinion on is false.

- we always say we wanted to release the video
- Anita said herself there was no evidence any BK video was destroyed
- there was no code of silence here. The whole reason Van Dyke is in jail is because of the system in Chicago

Rahm Emanuel (D) fought to withhold the video from public view for months until a judge ordered it released. Then, rather than calling for reform in the police department, which fatally shoots more people than any other force in the nation, Mr. Emanuel suggested the episode arose from one bad apple.

That's wrong. Chicago has many fine officers who do tough jobs. The city needs them; but it also needs a better department. It was the police who allegedly destroyed evidence by deleting videotape recorded by a nearby Burger King security camera — video that may have contained relevant footage — shortly after the McDonald shooting. It was the police who issued misleading information, saying Mr. McDonald was shot as he “continued to approach the officers.” It was the police who maintained a code of silence despite at least seven other officers who witnessed the shooting at close range. That's outrageous and should lead to further criminal inquiries and the immediate firing of the city's police superintendent, Garry McCarthy.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/chicagos-rotten-system/2015/11/25/500dcaa6-93b1-11e5-a2d6-f57908580b1f_story.html

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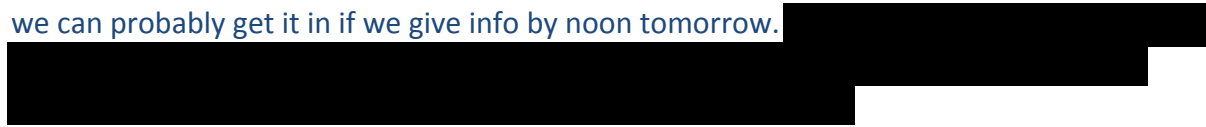
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Subject: Re: Tomorrow

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Yes, some tweaks are being made but you'll have by 9.

On Nov 27, 2015, at 7:50 AM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

kelley, do we have a draft body cam release to review before the call? thanks.

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 6:56 PM
To: Spielfogel, David
Cc: Collins, Adam; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Re: Tomorrow

I'll have him start on one. Also, GFM wants to announce charges in the Tyshawn Lee case tomorrow at 10 in a press conference. What are thoughts on that?

On Nov 26, 2015, at 6:42 PM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Missed this. Good call. Is Anthony drafting a release?

Will try for 930 but I might be late or have to drop early.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:24 PM
To: Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Re: Tomorrow

I'll be on a plane from 7:30 until noon tomorrow, and then again from 1-2. So I won't be able to make a call at 9:30

If we can make it work, I think body cams are great. Janey would know better, they are also looking at a new type that

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From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 10:38 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Rendina, Michael
Subject: Re: Quick question for a story with a NOON FRIDAY deadline....

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Here's the snippet from the draft policy memo I circulated yesterday. this is for internal policy discussions only.

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Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 10:35 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael
Subject: Fw: Quick question for a story with a NOON FRIDAY deadline....

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From: Dave.McKinney@thomsonreuters.com <Dave.McKinney@thomsonreuters.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 10:17 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: david.greising@thomsonreuters.com
Subject: Quick question for a story with a NOON FRIDAY deadline....

Hey, Kelley. Hope you're well, and happy Thanksgiving.

We're doing a piece on the FOP and its positioning after the release of the Laquan McDonald video. I attended the Black Caucus' Wednesday presser at City Hall, where Ald. Pat Dowell called for changes in the FOP contract to give the city greater power to impose discipline against cops accused of "egregious" on-the-job conduct. It's an interesting point given that Officer Van Dyke continued to draw pay for 13 months after the McDonald shooting.

What's the administration's view of toughening misconduct language in the FOP contract, and is it a change the mayor thinks needs to occur before the current FOP contract expires in 2017?

Thanks,

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From: Gregory Gaither <ggaither1@illinoisalumni.org>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 10:58 AM
To: Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Follow up Contact

Good Morning Ken,

Recently sent email response to Mayor Update briefing re: Police Shooting of Youth Laquan Mc Donald. Given all the emails you probably receive daily--- following up to check your receipt of mine. Please advise.

Thanks

Gregg Gaither

Mobile 773 [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 11:33 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Spielfogel, David
Subject: RE: Revised policies on dash cams

What are the chances that GFM would announce as his own?

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 11:21 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David
Subject: Revised policies on dash cams

DRAFT//For internal policy discussions

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From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 11:57 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen
Subject: Re: Revised policies on dash cams

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From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 12:48:22 PM
To: Rountree, Janey; Mitchell, Eileen
Subject: Re: Revised policies on dash cams

helpful. one of us should brief the mayor today, though a piece of paper so he can review the list will be helpful. maybe write up as a memo and send for his book?

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From: Bennett, Kenneth
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 12:43 PM
To: Collier, Laurie
Subject: FW: Mayor Update 11-23-15
Attachments: Mayor Update Briefing 11-23-15 - Talking Points Response.pdf

Thanks!

From: Gregory Gaither [<mailto:ggaither1@illinoisalumni.org>]
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Mayor Update 11-23-15

Hi Ken,
How's everything going. Happy Holidays to you and family,
Thanks for invite to Mayor's Update Briefing today re: Police Shooting of youth Laquan McDonald.
I had anticipated there would be opportunity for feedback. So I had drafted a preliminary response for talking points.
Please see attached (1-page) talking points response.
Thanks,
Gregg Gaither
Mobile: 773 [REDACTED]

Monday, November 23, 2015

Attention: Ken Bennett

City of Chicago

Office: 312.744.1418

Email: Kenneth.bennett@cityofchicago.org

Re: Mayor Update – Police Shooting of 17yr-old Laquan McDonald (11/23/15 – 1:00 pm).

- Good Afternoon my name is Gregg Gaither of Gaither & Associates, also founding member of Woodlawn Reentry Project, Illinois African American Juvenile Justice Institute and South Side Community Sports Coalition of Greater Grand Crossing.
- I am a community activist, social worker and educator with background in community gang violence intervention, school engagement and leadership, prison reform advocacy and community health-wellness grassroots initiatives
- I've worked all over the City of Chicago in more than 25 of the city's 77-community areas, including Woodlawn, Englewood, Austin, East-West Garfield Park, North Lawndale, Humbolt Park, South Shore, South Chicago, Back of the Yards, Greater Grand Crossing, Auburn Gresham, Roseland-Pullman, ,etc.
- I've also worked inside Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center as well as Cook County Jail as a corrections education social worker.
- I am a graduate of South Shore H.S., and alumnus of University of Chicago Graduate School of Social Services Administration, Concordia University's Graduate School of Education in School Leadership and University of Illinois-Chicago, African American Studies Undergraduate Program.
- Given the complex situation involving police shootings across our nation. I would recommend that we respond to this shooting incident in Chicago in a threefold manner:
 1. First we embrace the incident within a leadership context that ultimately sets the tone for local, as well as, national solutions.
 2. Second, as a social worker and mental health clinician, it's very important and critical that we provide an opportunity for community forums to vent feelings, anxieties and frustrations in response to this incident. Community forums should be structured in a manner to solicit input for improving policing in the city.
 3. Third, we embrace input expressed/ gathered from community forums and utilize data gathered as a component for integration into officer training curriculum at Chicago Police Academy.
- These recommendations offer a starting point to set a solid foundation for our City to heal from this unfortunate incident, as well as, seize the moment to assume a leadership role locally/nationally in effective response to citizens' allegations of police unlawful use of deadly force.

Gregg Gaither, M.S.W., M.Ed.

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From: Guglielmi, Anthony [anthony.guglielmi@chicagopolice.org]
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 3:27 PM
To: Mc Carthy; Garry F.
Subject: Post article

The Washington Post

Protesters shut down a street in Chicago Wednesday during a protest over the death of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. (Paul Beaty/Associated Press)

By Editorial Board November 25

THIS TIME in Chicago, the police coverup failed.

Until Officer Jason Van Dyke was charged Tuesday with first-degree murder for shooting a teenager, Laquan McDonald, 16 times last year, it was almost unheard of for a Chicago police officer to be held accountable in a shooting incident, whether or not a suspect died. Like Mr. McDonald, most of the victims are black.

The problem starts in the mayor's office; implicates the police department's top brass, the police union and rank-and-file officers; and runs through the city's nominally independent police review authority, which routinely dismisses allegations of police wrongdoing. Since 2007, the authority has reviewed nearly 400 police-involved shootings in Chicago, fatal and non-fatal — an average of about one per week — and judged just one of them to be unjustified. Just one officer was charged criminally in all those shootings, and he was acquitted.

Mr. Van Dyke's lawyer said he will show in court that the shooting was justified. That will be challenging, given the police dashcam video, which shows Mr. Van Dyke, who is white, opening fire even as Mr. McDonald veers away from him and then falls to the ground.

The video is stomach-turning. Its aftermath lays bare a system with an utter absence of accountability. It also raises disturbing questions about the Cook County prosecutor, Anita Alvarez, and federal prosecutors. They had the incriminating videotape for months; why were no charges brought until this week?

Mayor Rahm Emanuel (D) fought to withhold the video from public view for months until a judge ordered it released. Then, rather than calling for reform in the police department, which fatally shoots more people than any other force in the nation, Mr. Emanuel suggested the episode arose from one bad apple.

That's wrong. Chicago has many fine officers who do tough jobs. The city needs them; but it also needs a better department. It was the police who allegedly destroyed evidence by deleting videotape recorded by a nearby Burger King security camera — video that may have contained relevant footage — shortly after the McDonald shooting. It was the police who issued misleading information, saying Mr. McDonald was shot as he "continued to approach the officers." It was the police who maintained a code of silence despite at least seven other officers who witnessed the shooting at close range. That's outrageous and should lead to further criminal inquiries and the immediate firing of the city's police superintendent, Garry McCarthy.

The problems are not about tactics and training; they're about a culture of impunity, including a police union that routinely covers for even the dirtiest cops. At least 15 misconduct complaints had been lodged against Mr. Van Dyke over the years, none of which resulted in disciplinary action. In the decade ending in 2014, the city is estimated to have spent \$500 million settling legal claims arising from police misconduct; that was before it paid \$5 million to Mr. McDonald's

family this year.

Mr. Emanuel, appealing for calm, now says it is time for “healing” in Chicago. In fact, no real healing is possible without deep reforms in a rotten system.

From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 4:28 PM
To: Holt, Alexandra;Rountree, Janey
Subject: FW: Policy proposals
Attachments: Police Discipline Policy Reforms.docx

Alex – There are a few items in here that we plan to announce. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] aney is lead on substance. Thanks.

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 3:09 PM
To: REMOC
Cc: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David
Subject: Policy proposals

Mayor,

Attached is the detail you requested on the 3 proposals we just discussed by phone, plus a few others. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Janey

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To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: Fw: (NEWS) SUN TIMES: Feds drag out investigation while a city bleeds

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On Fri, Nov 27, 2015 at 2:38 PM -0800, "Spielfogel, David" <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:
phone died. will call you when i can plug it in a little later.

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Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 4:37 PM
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FYI

Feds drag out investigation while a city bleeds

SUN TIMES // Carol Marin // OP-ED // November 27, 2015

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Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 4:56 PM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: update

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Thanks, David. Appreciate the update and flag below.

From: Spielfogel, David [<mailto:David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org>]
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 05:35 PM
To: Alcantara, Elias
Subject: update

Protests are largely done. Three arrests that I know of. Nothing major.

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From: Spector, Stephen
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 7:10 PM
To: Spector, Stephen
Subject: Weekend News

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MPO/CPD:

Everyone: Continued coverage of the protests and Laquan McDonald video.

DCASE:

Everyone: Caroling at Cloud Gate/the bean in Millennium Park. Stories to air on TV this evening and throughout the weekend.

Possible: Continued coverage of the repairs made to the Christmas tree in Millennium Park after protestors ripped the lights off. The repairs were made by IBEW pro bono.

Targeted Media:

HOY/Soto, Univision/Beltran, Telemundo/EFE: Covering the protests on Michigan Ave. Stories will include photos and videos.

CTA:

Multiple outlets: Possible stories/mentions today or this weekend of the start of the popular annual CTA holiday train service this weekend, beginning on the Green Line today.

CDOT:

Tribune/Kidwell (TBD run date): Following up on last week's stories, David Kidwell is working on a story with a TBD run date. Our understanding based on our conversation with him is that the story will be a collection of the following storylines: city vehicles caught speeding from the ASE program; school buses caught speeding from the ASE program; a driver who has accumulated more than 100 traffic violations over the past few years. IL SOS has suspended her license. Kidwell also asked if MRE has paid for his detail's traffic violations. We responded that he has.

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From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 8:03 PM
To: Collins, Adam;Ewing, Clothilde;Patton, Stephen;Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Klinzman, Grant
Subject: Re: McDonald Q&A
Attachments: LM Talking Points.docx

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Grant, my edits are redlined here. Looping in other people Adam mentions below.

From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 6:48 PM
To: Rountree, Janey
Cc: Klinzman, Grant
Subject: McDonald Q&A

Hey Janey-

While I'm out Grant is going to be doing the press briefing each morning. I updated the Laquan McDonald piece of that in the attached and am hoping you can take a look at it for accuracy before it goes further.

Grant, Clo, Kelley and Patton should see it too.

Thanks all

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From: CPIC [cpic@chicagopolice.org]

Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 4:00 AM

To: Andrews; Constanti G.; Betz; David C.; Caluris; Steven M.; Escalante; John J.; Georgas; Steve E.; Gulliford; Wayne M.; Panepinto; Leo; Riccio; Anthony J.; Roussell; James M.; Sedevic; Mark T.; Tracy; Robert; Welch Iii; Eddie L.; Williams; Eugene E.; garry.mccarthy@chicagopolice.org; deanandrewscpd@outlook.com;

BCC: melissa.staples@chicagopolice.org; maria.pena@chicagopolice.org; robert.lajewski@chicagopolice.org; kevin.duffin@chicagopolice.org; thomas.corbett@chicagopolice.org; kevin.hacker@chicagopolice.org; baz.khoushaba@chicagopolice.org; patrick.kinney@chicagopolice.org; paul.morin@chicagopolice.org; matthew.pecoraro@chicagopolice.org; patrick.shannonjr@chicagopolice.org; todd.sherman@chicagopolice.org; yasmin.varallo@chicagopolice.org; eddie.winters@chicagopolice.org;

Subject: INCIDENT INVOLVING OFF-DUTY P.O.

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION VIA BT. 2530R

INCIDENT: INCIDENT INVOLVING OFF-DUTY P.O.
LOCATION: 1835 N NEW CASTLE
DISTRICT: 025TH
TIME: 0220 HRS

SUMMARY: AN OFF-DUTY P.O. CAME HOME AND OBSERVED A BAR STOOL ON HIS PORCH WITH "BLACK LIVES MATTER, 16 SHOTS & JUSTICE FOR LAQUAN" WRITTEN ON IT. RD# HY-517172, E.T. WAS REQUESTED. CPIC NOTIFIED AT 0245 HRS

Above information is based on initial reporting and is being provided for your situational awareness. Initial reporting is preliminary in nature and based on information available at that time.

Sgt. VanderPloeg
Chicago Police Department
Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC)
312-745-5669, Fax 312-745-6927

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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 7:39 AM
To: Klinzman, Grant
Cc: Update_List;Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

This is fine. [REDACTED]

On Nov 28, 2015, at 6:40 AM, Klinzman, Grant <Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

All - attached and below is the press guidance for today. Please send feedback in the next hour (by 7:45). Thank you.

1) Public Events

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 - The key play was a fourth quarter stop by the Bears defense on the final drive of the game.

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From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 7:52 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

Thank you - and it is not too late. I am sending it momentarily. I updated the protest language to match yesterday's statement and added info about Phillips Academy football. I will confirm the retraining info for tomorrow's document.

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 7:48 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen
Cc: Klinzman, Grant; Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

Agree. I just sent him last night's statement.

On Nov 28, 2015, at 7:44 AM, Mitchell, Eileen <Eileen.Mitchell@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Why was there no working audio on any of the CPD dash cam videos? It is supposed to activate anytime emergency lights are activated.

. [REDACTED]
. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

If too late, for next version. Thanks.

Eileen Mitchell
Office of the Mayor
(312) 744-6246 (office)
(312) [REDACTED] (mobile)

On Nov 28, 2015, at 6:40 AM, Klinzman, Grant <Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 8:55 AM
To: REMOC;Klinzman, Grant
Subject: Fwd: Daily Press Guidance
Attachments: 2015.11.28 - Daily Press Guidance.docx; ATT00001.htm

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From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:14 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Spielfogel, David;Klinzman, Grant;Update_List;Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

Got it

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:55 AM
To: Ewing, Clothilde
Cc: Spielfogel, David; Klinzman, Grant; Update_List; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

That's the plan.

On Nov 28, 2015, at 8:46 AM, Ewing, Clothilde <Clothilde.Ewing@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Can also just put these up on social after the fact.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:05 AM
To: Spielfogel, David
Cc: Klinzman, Grant; Update_List; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

[REDACTED]

On Nov 28, 2015, at 7:58 AM, Spielfogel, David <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

[REDACTED]

From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 6:39 AM
To: Update_List

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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:28 AM
To: REMOC
Subject: Sunday bulldogs

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Sun-Times cover:

- Targeting Tyshawn (lede story): Two-page spread on inside detailing final moments of Tyshawn's life.
- Feds drag their feet while city bleeds (Marin)
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- Feds to sell seized assets in Cyber Monday auction.
- Fork in the Road: A Q&A with the president of Pitchfork.

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- Burger King manager told grand jury of gap in video
- Survey exposes Illinois schools' strengths -- and weaknesses -- affecting school culture and atmosphere
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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:31 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Bennett, Kenneth; Deal, Joe; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Harte, Meghan
Subject: Re: Sunday bulldogs

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Not typically a Schmich fan but her column is spot on.

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From: Mitchell, Eileen
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 9:47 AM
To: Spielfogel, David
Cc: Klinzman, Grant; Update_List; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Saturday Press Guidance

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From: REMOC
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 12:02 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Re: Daily Press Guidance

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Again where

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On Sat, Nov 28, 2015 at 10:01 AM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

On Sun-Times website. It'll be in tomorrow's print edition as well.

On Nov 28, 2015, at 11:50 AM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Where

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On Sat, Nov 28, 2015 at 9:49 AM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Story will post at midnight tonight.

On Nov 28, 2015, at 9:54 AM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Fist thing

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On Sat, Nov 28, 2015 at 7:44 AM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

In the Sunday paper

On Nov 28, 2015, at 9:36 AM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

When is frank out

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On Sat, Nov 28, 2015 at 7:29 AM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley"
<Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Walter is with you for pics and we will get them out at the end, just like the refugee dinner.

On Nov 28, 2015, at 9:15 AM, REMOC
<REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

[REDACTED]

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From: Escalante
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 7:52 AM
To: Ryan; Kevin P.
Subject: Re: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

Thanks Kevin

John J. Escalante

Sent from my Verizon 4G LTE Tablet

----- Original message-----

From: Ryan, Kevin P.
Date: Sun, Nov 29, 2015 5:56 AM
To: Betz, David C.;Riccio, Anthony J.;Carter, Eric M.;Mc Naughton, David R.;
Cc: Escalante, John J.;Caluris, Steven M.;
Subject:Fwd: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

Kevin P. Ryan
Commander
Gang Enforcement Division
Bureau of Organized Crime

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Angus, William J." <William.Angus@chicagopolice.org>
Date: November 28, 2015 at 11:19:20 PM CST
To: "Ryan, Kevin P." <Kevin.Ryan@chicagopolice.org>, "Wilke Iii, Raymond H." <Raymond.Wilkelii@chicagopolice.org>
Cc: "Ryan, John C." <JOHN.RYAN@chicagopolice.org>, "Riordan, John K." <JOHN.RIORDAN@chicagopolice.org>, "Podkowa, Robert S." <Robert.Podkowa@chicagopolice.org>
Subject: RE: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

I have done some fairly extensive searches of the internet and social media and have found no mention of killing 16 cops.

I conducted an Accurant search for [REDACTED] of Chicago IL and found no one person believed to be of interest as given.

I conducted an Accurant search for the telephone number, results attached.

Phone registers to [REDACTED] of Silver Springs MD (& Baltimore)

I conducted a Triple I search and subject has no criminal history as given.

I discovered a facebook page, [www.facebook.com/\[REDACTED\]](http://www.facebook.com/[REDACTED]) - No publicly visible information other than claiming he studied at a university in Ethiopia and has one friend from there.

I conducted a substantial open source search relative to this page. I could not find any traces of any activity on this persons part. I find this to be unusual.

I observed a few Facebook pages for subjects named [REDACTED] in Chicago IL. One of them, [www.facebook.com/\[REDACTED\]](http://www.facebook.com/[REDACTED]) has a cover photo showing three (3) male black persons displaying Vice Lords hand signs. This person claims to be an LPN at [REDACTED]

As of this writing I am unable to prove or disprove any information from the Tipsoft tip.

Investigation continues.

Bill Angus
Chicago Police Department
Gang Enforcement Division
Cell 773.805.3030
Office 312.746.7910
Blackberry 312.515.4753

From: Ryan, Kevin P.
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 10:10 AM
To: Wilke Iii, Raymond H.; Angus, William J.
Cc: Ryan, John C.; Riordan, John K.
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

I need you guys to look into this, see what you can come up with.

Kevin P. Ryan
Commander
Gang Enforcement Division
Bureau of Organized Crime

From: Ryan, Kevin P.
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 07:55
To: Ryan, John C.
Cc: Riccio, Anthony J.; Carter, Eric M.
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

social media check on this please, sounds like an internet rumor. But it needs to be vetted.
Let me know

Kevin P. Ryan
Commander
Gang Enforcement Division
Bureau of Organized Crime

From: CPIC
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 07:50
To: Ryan, Kevin P.; Kennedy, Christoph J.; Andrews, Constanti G.; Betz, David C.; Caluris, Steven M.; Escalante, John J.; #Superintendent; Gulliford, Wayne M.; Panepinto, Leo; Riccio, Anthony J.; Roussell, James M.; Sedevic, Mark T.; Georgas, Steve E.; Tracy, Robert; Welch Iii, Eddie L.; Williams, Eugene E.; Angsten, James E.; Aylward, Megan L.; Betz, David C.; Calderon, Gilberto; Caluris, Steven M.; Cleggett, John R.; Davis, Sean L.; Dobda, Andrew J.; Hudson, Julia M.; Breen, John G.; Oconnell, Daniel P.;

Murphy, Thomas K.; Winters, Eddie; Young Jr, Kenneth
Subject: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

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REFERENCE TIPSOFT TIP CPD-40075-08

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SHE SAYS SHE'S ALREADY CALLED THE POLICE ANONYMOUSLY.

[REDACTED], CELL: [REDACTED] 4. SHE DOESN'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT, JUST WANTED US TO KNOW.

PO Michael Bowen
Chicago Police Department
Crime Prevention and Information Center (CPIC)
312-745-5669, Fax 312-745-6927

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From: Guglielmi, Anthony
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 07:10
To: CPIC; Caluris, Steven M.; Tracy, Robert; Panepinto, Leo; Andrews, Constanti G.; Roy, Eugene J.
Subject: Fwd: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

Sirs,

I'm sure you have this already but passing along from wgn

Anthony Guglielmi
Director, Communications / News Affairs
Office of the Police Superintendent
Chicago Police Department

Phone: 312-745-6110
Cell: 312-545-3251

@AJGuglielmi | @Chicago_Police

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----- Original message -----

From: News Affairs <nwsaffr@chicagopolice.org>
Date: 11/26/2015 2:22 AM (GMT-06:00)
To: "Guglielmi, Anthony" <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

FYI

Chicago Police Department
Office of News Affairs
(312) 745-6110
Fax (312) 745-6999

From: Zuick, Andrew [azuick@wgntv.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 2:08 AM
To: News Affairs
Subject: FW: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

From: Sears, James
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 12:34 AM
To: Zuick, Andrew <azuick@wgntv.com>; Lyons, Jennifer <jlyons@wgntv.com>; Pudar, Sandy <spudar@wgntv.com>
Subject: TIPSTER FYI-- 16 COPS TARGETED.

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From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 8:19 AM
To: Spielfogel, David;Update_List
Subject: Re: Today's Press Guidance

Correct

On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 6:14 AM -0800, "Spielfogel, David" <David.Spielfogel@cityofchicago.org> wrote:
okay but we're not advising any of his stops today, right?

From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 7:56 AM
To: Update_List
Subject: Re: Today's Press Guidance

I am adding this bullet and planning to send shortly. Thank you.

Are you expanding the CPD body camera because of Laquan McDonald?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 6:25 AM
To: Update_List
Subject: Today's Press Guidance

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- Remarks at Bright Star Church – CLOSED press

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From: Faulman, Mike
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 8:27 AM
To: Castro, Veronica;Quinn, Kelley;Klinzman, Grant
Cc: Collins, Adam;Magana, Jasmine
Subject: Re: 11/29 Press Guidance

Happy christmas season all. Hope you smile as you read this

From: Castro, Veronica
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 9:25:53 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Klinzman, Grant
Cc: Collins, Adam; Magana, Jasmine; Faulman, Mike
Subject: Re: 11/29 Press Guidance

Thanks, Kelley!

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On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 6:23 AM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

It's been forwarded on to him.

On Nov 29, 2015, at 8:18 AM, Klinzman, Grant <Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Great thank you - and happy thanksgiving to all as well.

On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 6:06 AM -0800, "Castro, Veronica"
<Veronica.Castro@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Thanks so much. Like Mike said, we'll make sure you have access to email REMOC on Monday.
Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving!

Sent from [Outlook](#)

On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 6:01 AM -0800, "Klinzman, Grant"
<Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Today's press guidance is attached and pasted below. KQ can you please forward to the Mayor?
Thank you - Grant

1) Public Events

- Remarks at Metropolitan Apostolic Community Church – CLOSED press
- Ribbon cutting at Washington Park – CLOSED press, photo release

2) In The News Today

- Laquan McDonald
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- Arrest Made in Tyshawn Lee case

3) Most Recent Press Questions to MRE

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4) Sports Brief

- **Blackhawks – loss:** Lost to the L.A. Kings late last night.
 - Patrick Kane scored in his 19th consecutive game to set a new NHL record for the longest points streak by a U.S.-born play.
 - The Blackhawks led for most of the game until the Kings scored with about 6 minutes left in the 3rd period and again in overtime for the win.
 - They play the Minnesota Wild on Tuesday at 7:30 in Chicago.
- **Bears – win:** Beat the Green Bay Packers in Green Bay 17-13 on Thanksgiving Day.

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From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 9:33 AM
To: Rendina, Michael
Subject: Fw: Policy proposals
Attachments: Police Discipline Policy Reforms.docx

Couple of days ago I listed out some ideas proposed by aldermen and others. Eileen just asked you for the same - feel free to read this draft and send me additions

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 4:08:43 PM
To: REMOC
Cc: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David
Subject: Policy proposals

Mayor,

Attached is the detail you requested on the 3 proposals we just discussed by phone, plus a few others. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Janey

From: William Myles II <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 1:55 PM
To: Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Pearls Place

Hello Kenneth,

My name is William Myles II, we met with Rahm at Pearls Place on Sunday, November 29th. I'd like to meet with you or Rahm just to talk to get an understanding of the LaQuan McDonald killing as well as how we can create REAL change within the black community. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 2:10 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: (NEWS) CRAIN'S: Everyone failed LaQuan McDonald

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I know. It is an important distinction though as far as i'm concerned. It points to this "cover up" theory Rich seems to have.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 1:15 PM
To: Ewing, Clothilde
Cc: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Re: (NEWS) CRAIN'S: Everyone failed LaQuan McDonald

Working with Anthony now. Just Fyi Pat Camden is the one who said "lunged". CPD'S statement says that McDonald advanced on the officer - that's softer but doesn't necessarily help us either.

On Nov 29, 2015, at 11:58 AM, Ewing, Clothilde <Clothilde.Ewing@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Sorry if I am late to this, but there are a number of inaccuracies in here that we need to push back on.

Cpd did NOT say he lunged

He says mayor covered up the murder, by fighting release of video which is defamation. We committed months ago to release.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: NewsClips <NewsClips@cityofchicago.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 12:12 PM
Subject: (NEWS) CRAIN'S: Everyone failed LaQuan McDonald

[Everyone failed LaQuan McDonald](#)

CRAIN'S // Rich Miller // November 28, 2015

Here's what the Chicago Police Department told the media after LaQuan McDonald was killed by a police officer 13 months ago: A drug-addled black kid lunged at a cop with a knife and was then shot in the chest.

Six months later, and a week after Chicago's mayoral election, the City Council rushed through approval of a \$5 million settlement with McDonald's family, even though no lawsuit had been filed.

Seven months after that, the city finally released the dashboard video from a Chicago police car which clearly showed McDonald walking away from the police when he was shot 16 times—and almost all of those shots were fired as he lay bleeding to death on the pavement.

In addition to the officer who shot him, everybody failed that kid, from his own mother, who lost custody of LaQuan after her boyfriend savagely beat him; to the state's Department of Children and Family Services, which was supposed to protect and help him as his legal ward; to the city's mayor, who covered up the gruesome manner of McDonald's death by fighting the release of the dashboard video; to the City Council, for not demanding answers before approving such a huge settlement; to the mainstream media, for not following up on their denied Freedom of Information Act requests with a lawsuit; to Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, for her all-too-usual slow-walking of investigations of alleged police misconduct; to Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan, who waited until the day before a judge finally acted to claim that the city had violated the state's Freedom of Information Act by sitting on the video.

Other states take much better care of their young wards. Yes, that can be expensive. But if caring for the kids nobody else wants isn't one of the state's most important responsibilities, I don't know what the heck is. According to the Chicago Sun-Times, LaQuan was sexually molested in two different foster homes that were chosen, vetted and paid for by the state.

Two.

If that doesn't boggle your mind and enrage your very soul, then absolutely nothing will.

Other states release their police dashboard and body cam videos much, much faster than Illinois. While that may lead to some unrest in the streets, it's infinitely more democratic and honest than our far too encumbered, lumbering process, which overwhelmingly favors the political interests of those who run things.

Citizens can't hold politicians accountable if they are deliberately kept in the dark, so Chicagoans deserved the right to know about McDonald's death before they voted last spring. And most other states license their police officers.

According to an article in Police Chief magazine, 44 states license police officers and have a statewide process for revoking those licenses.

Illinois does neither, but it's not for lack of trying.

Earlier this year when the General Assembly was debating law enforcement reforms, police licensure was a hot topic. But, according to its chief sponsor, Sen. Kwame Raoul, D-Chicago, the idea was derailed by the House Republicans. The proposal was dropped in order to achieve a bipartisan victory on some much-needed reforms like body cams and police training.

Cops have an almost impossible job, particularly in Chicago. Between Jan. 1 and Nov. 23, there

have been 2,712 Chicago shooting victims, according to the Chicago Tribune. I wouldn't want to be a Chicago cop for any amount of money.

The number of fatal shootings by police (70 in five years) pales in comparison to the total of all shootings. For most, our first instinct is to back the police. It's a natural reaction. They're our protectors, so we want to believe they are just and good people, and most definitely are.

But more citizens, particularly in high crime areas, have more contact with the police than they do with any other government employees. And, of course, the cops carry guns and are allowed to use them. In Chicago, official discipline of bad cops is so rare as to be almost non-existent, according to some recent studies. It's a problem that screams for a remedy from above.

We need to do a better job as a state. The nightmare at DCFS needs to be addressed before the government makes more kids' lives even worse.

Our Freedom of Information Act should no longer be a freedom from information law.

And we as a state should revisit the police licensing issue, since Chicago apparently can't seem to take care of this very real problem on its own.

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From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 2:14 PM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Fw: (NEWS) DNA INFO: March on 8th District Police Station Turns Into Friendly Conversation

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Wonder if we can emulate on similar scales throughout the City. Probably this reason worked is bc it was organic.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: NewsClips <NewsClips@cityofchicago.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 11:39 AM
Subject: (NEWS) DNA INFO: March on 8th District Police Station Turns Into Friendly Conversation

[March on 8th District Police Station Turns Into Friendly Conversation](#)

DNA INFO // Evan Moore // November 29, 2015

Activists organized a march Saturday to the local police district office — but instead of chanting outside as many protesters have done this week, they sat down for a conversation with a police sergeant.

The march was billed as a way to pressure the Chicago Lawn (8th) District police to improve community relations and investigate the "corrupt way" Laquan McDonald's shooting was handled. McDonald was shot in the 8th District, which roughly covers 8700 South Cicero to I-55.

Instead, the Saturday afternoon protest at 3420 W. 63rd St. turned into an impromptu meeting between a handful of community members and police officers to discuss community relations.

Activist Geoff Watts said that due to the current polarizing climate in Chicago between the black community and police, he decided go with a tactic he used years ago when the police and the community had a better relationship.

"Due to the federal investigation going on, they can't talk [the Laquan McDonald footage] anyway. What can I do? I have to create something that's progressive," Watts said. "I had to step forward and have a better relationship and repair the damage that's been done. White officers have to know to African-American youth better."

Among the topics discussed, Watts wanted to see an increase in the number of CAPS meetings, part of the city's community policing strategy. He said that typically only third-shift officers attend the meetings, which means the two other shifts of officers don't get to know people in the neighborhood.

Watts, who's known in Chicago hip-hop circles as "Dr. Groove," along with musician/activist Kingdom Sanders, spoke with Sgt. Nicole Clark for roughly 30 minutes.

Sanders, who was a youth worker for the now defunct Chicago Alliance For Neighborhood Safety, said he was prepared for a much more abrasive approach.

"Back then, we would have police officers do role-playing with us to show them how to interact with black youths," Sanders said. "Sometimes the police would make assumptions before they got out of their car. That's the problem we have right now. People don't see officers as humane anymore."

According to Sanders, CANS was the pilot program for CAPS.

"We had good relationships with officers like Howard Lindsay and Charles Ramsey," he said, referring to two officers who have left the precinct.

According to a WBEZ report from July, CAPS meeting attendance is down more than two-thirds since 2002, and there's been a dip since Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel took office. The number of meetings has been cut significantly. Over an extended period of time, the city cut overtime for officers who attended CAPS meetings, WBEZ reported.

Clark told the activists that third-shift officers are the ones who could make the CAPS meetings, which are held at night.

"Officers are people like anyone else. They want to spend time with their families after work," Clark said. "I gave them [Sanders and Watts] the contact info for the supervisors for the other two shifts.

According to Clark, the 8th District has about 300 officers, along with 50 tactical unit officers, to cover three shifts.

"Officers would rather respond to calls. When officers are called to respond to the scene, people wants them to respond as soon as they can," she said, meaning that officers are sometimes better utilized in the field rather than at meetings.

She did not say whether the district could hold more CAPS meetings.

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To: Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Deal, Joe; Bennett, Kenneth; Harte, Meghan
Subject: McDonald Headlines Oct. 2014-April 2015

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Headlines below in chronological order. Threw in "Key Material" to the coverage immediately following the shooting.

FYI, it's probably semantics, but the ST said the medical examiner ruled the death as a "homicide." ST's also the only outlet that explicitly states that he died of multiple gunshot wounds, whereas others reported he was simply shot in the chest. The difference appears to be sourcing—medical examiner said "multiple wounds," FOP spokesman has "shot in chest.") Among the key details to this is how the "police told him to drop the knife," but that, of course, can't be confirmed without audio footage.

Title: Boy, 17, Fatally Shot By Officer After Refusing To Drop Knife

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Quinn Ford

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-chicago-shootings-violence-20141021-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Officers remained in their car and followed McDonald as he walked south on Pulaski Road. More officers arrived and police tried to box the teen in with two squad cars, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. McDonald punctured one of the squad car's front passenger-side tires and damaged the front windshield, police and Camden said. Officers got out of their car and began approaching McDonald, again telling him to drop the knife, Camden said. The boy allegedly lunged at police, and one of the officers opened fire. McDonald was shot in the chest and taken to Mount Sinai Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 10:42 p.m. He lived in the 500 block of North Springfield Avenue, about 5 miles from where he was shot.

-Camden said none of the officers who responded had a Taser to use on the teen and were trying to detain him long enough for one to arrive. He said officers were forced to defend themselves.

Title: Boy, 17, Shot To Death By Police On Southwest Side Identified

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mitchell Armentrout

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/?p=145458>

KEY MATERIAL:

-An autopsy Tuesday found he died of multiple gunshot wounds and his death was ruled a homicide, according to the medical examiner's office.

-The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger-side tire of a squad car and damage its front windshield before leading officers on a foot chase, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near 41st and Pulaski, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when he "refused to comply with orders to drop the knife and continued to approach the officers," police said.

Title: Boy, 17, Killed On South Side By Police Had A Knife, Police Say

Publication: [DNAinfo.com](http://www.dnainfo.com)

Byline: Josh McGhee

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.dnainfo.com/chicago/20141021/archer-heights/police-shoot-knife-wielding-man-on-south-side>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Around 9:45 p.m., police received a report of someone breaking into cars in the 4100 block of South Karlov Avenue. When they arrived they confronted the boy, who used a knife to puncture a tire on a police car and then damaged the car's window, police said. The boy then ran from police and was confronted in the 4100 block of South Pulaski Avenue but refused to drop the knife, police said. When he continued to approach officers, one of them shot him, police said.'

Title: Teen Shot, Killed By Police Officer On Chicago's Southwest Side

Publication: NBC Chicago

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/chicago-shooting-4100-south-karlov-279884562.html>

KEY MATIERAL:

-Responding officers found a 17-year-old boy "with a strange gaze about him" who was carrying a knife and wouldn't drop it when police ordered him to do so, Fraternal Order of Police spokesman Pat Camden said. The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger tire of a police squad car and damaged its front windshield before running away, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near West 41st Street and South Pulaski Road, Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when the teen didn't drop the knife and continued to walk toward officers, police said.

Title: Police Shoot, Kill Knife-Wielding Teen On South Side

Publication: CBS Chicago

Byline: Marissa Bailey

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2014/10/21/police-shoot-kill-knife-wielding-teen-on-south-side/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Pat Camden, spokesman for the Chicago Fraternal Order of Police, said the teen had a "crazed" look about him as he approached the officers with the knife.

-A police officer shot the teen when he refused to drop the weapon. However, at least one witness said there were several officers at the scene, and the shooting was unnecessary. "They didn't need to shoot him. They didn't. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him," Alma Benitez said.

Title: Officer Fatally Shot 17-Year-Old Boy Armed With Knife In Archer Heights, Police Say

Publication: ABC7

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://abc7chicago.com/news/police-officer-fatally-shot-teen-with-knife-in-archer-heights/359273/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-[Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said an officer shot the 17-year-old boy in the chest after he came toward the officer with the knife raised. One witness describes the scene differently. "It was super exaggerated. You didn't need that many cops to begin with. They didn't need to shoot him. They didn't. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him," Alma Benitez said.

-The teen was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital in critical condition, where he was later pronounced dead.

Title: Chicago Police Fatally Shot A Teen In October. Now Some Are Calling For Department To Release Video.

Publication: Huffington Post

Byline: Joseph Erbentraut

Published: December 10, 2014

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/12/09/laquan-mcdonald-chicago-police-shooting_n_6296688.html?ir=Chicagoutm_hp_ref=chicago

Title: UofC Professor: Release Police Shooting Video

Publication: RedEye

Byline: Megan Crepeau

Published: December 11, 2014

<http://www.redeyechicago.com/news/local/redeye-u-of-c-professor-release-police-shooting-video-20141211-story.html>

Title: Questions Surround A Chicago Police Fatal Shooting Of A Teen

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: December 16, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/140764/questions-surround-chicago-police-fatal-shooting-teen>

Title: Sixteen Shots

Publication: Slate

Byline: Jamie Kalven

Published: February 10, 2015

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/politics/2015/02/laquan_mcdonald_shooting_a_recently_obtained_autopsy_report_on_the_dead.html

Title: Report: Chicago Police Shoot Teen 16 Times

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: February 23, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/390180/report-chicago-police-shoot-teen-16-times-2>

Title: Chicago Poised To Pay \$5 Million To Family Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Police

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gerner

Published: April 10, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-million-dollar-police-settlement-met-20150410-story.html>

Title: City Moves To Settle Lawsuit Over Police-Involved Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 11, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/514396/city-moves-settle-police-involved-shooting-lawsuit>

Title: FBI Investigation Underway In Deadly Police Shooting Of Teen That Cost Taxpayers \$5 Million

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 13, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/516256/state-federal-investigation-underway-deadly-police-shooting-cost-taxpayers-5-million>

Title: Illinois: Chicago Police Killing Of Teenage Is Under Investigation

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 13, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/14/us/illinois-chicago-police-killing-of-teenager-is-under-investigation.html?_r=0

Title: Videotape Stays Under Wraps In Fatal Shooting Of Black Teen By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 13, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/516584/videotape-stays-under-wraps-fatal-shooting-black-teen-by-chicago-cop>

Title: FBI Investigating Death Of Teen Shot 16 times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gerner and Jason Meisner

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-feds-probe-police-shooting-met-20150413-story.html>

Title: Chicago To Pay \$5 Million To Family Teen Shot 16 Times By Cop While Allegedly Wielding Knife

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 14, 2015

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/04/14/laquan-mcdonald-chicago_n_7062962.html

Title: Alderman Demands Release Of Video Of Police Officer Shooting Black Teenager

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518541/brookins-demands-release-video-police-officers-shooting-black-teenager>

Title: Hundreds Protest Shootings By Police In Chicago and Nationwide

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Maudlyne Ihejirika

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518961/hundreds-protest-police-brutality-chicago-nationwide>

Title: Why The City Doesn't Want Video of Laquan McDonald's Shooting Released

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/518878/laquan-mcdonald-video-settlement-police-shooting>

Title: City Council Approves \$5 Million Settlement Stemming From Fatal Police Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/520893/city-council-approves-5-million-settlement-stemming-fatal-police-shooting>

Title: Brown: Burge Reparations Won't Erase "Stain On the History Of This City"

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mark Brown

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/politics/7/71/522472/burge-reparations-wont-erase-stain-on-history-city>

Title: Chicago Council Approves \$5M Settlement In Police Shooting

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A (though actually Don Babwin)

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://www.wbez.org/news/chicago-council-approves-5m-settlement-police-shooting-111871>

Title: PCP Found In Body Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Groner

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-police-shooting-16-shots-met-20150414-story.html>

Title: Why Did A Chicago Cop Shoot Laquan McDonald?

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/editorials/ct-police-shooting-video-edit-0416-20150415-story.html>

Title: Chicago Pays \$5 Million To Family Of Black Teenager Killed By Officer

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Monica Davey

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/16/us/chicago-pays-5-million-to-family-of-black-teenager-killed-by-officer.html>

Title: Chicago Approves \$5.25 Million For Police Cases

Publication: Reuters

Byline: Mary Wisniewski

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/04/15/us-usa-chicago-police-lawsuits-idUSKBN0N619P20150415#Vg8p1e8xbyC27yrx.97>

Title: Release The LaQuan McDonald Video

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/editorials-opinion/7/71/538514/chicago-police-shooting-laquan-mcdonald-reparations>

Title: The Violent Legacy of Chicago's Police

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/21/opinion/the-violent-legacy-of-chicagos-police.html?_r=0

Title: Dark Days

Publication: The Economist

Byline: N/A

Published: April 25, 2015

<http://www.economist.com/news/united-states/21649503-citys-police-have-yet-put-their-murky-past-behind-them-dark-days>

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From: Henry, Vance
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 4:11 PM
To: Chief of Patrol Eddie Johnson
Cc: Bennett, Kenneth;Quinn, Kelley;Deal, Joe;Laws, Lisa
Subject: Re: Prayer Vigil at CPD HQ; Monday, 11/30; 6:00-7:00PM (Revised)

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Yes Sir, thank you.

From: Johnson, Eddie T. <Eddie.Johnson@chicagopolice.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 4:06:28 PM
To: Henry, Vance
Cc: Bennett, Kenneth; Quinn, Kelley; Deal, Joe; Laws, Lisa
Subject: Re: Prayer Vigil at CPD HQ; Monday, 11/30; 6:00-7:00PM (Revised)

Thanks Vance, got them both. I will review and get back to you.

From: Henry, Vance [<mailto:Vance.Henry@cityofchicago.org>]
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 03:55 PM Central Standard Time
To: Johnson, Eddie T.
Cc: Bennett, Kenneth <Kenneth.Bennett@cityofchicago.org>; Quinn, Kelley <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org>; Joe Deal; Laws, Lisa <Lisa.Laws@cityofchicago.org>
Subject: Re: Prayer Vigil at CPD HQ; Monday, 11/30; 6:00-7:00PM (Revised)

Date: Monday, Nov. 30, 2015

Media Contact: Rev. David Swanson, New Community Covenant Church, 312-259-6005, david@thenewcom.com

MEDIA ADVISORY: AREA CHURCHES, FAITH LEADERS TO HOLD PRAYER VIGIL AT CPD HEADQUARTERS, CALL FOR FEDERAL PROBE IN LAQUAN MCDONALD CASE

Faith leaders and members from more than two dozen area churches will lead a prayer vigil at the Chicago Police Department headquarters in memory of Laquan McDonald and to call for a federal investigation into the case.

WHEN: 6-7 p.m., Monday, Nov. 30, 2015

WHERE: Chicago Police Department Headquarters (3510 S. Michigan Avenue; Chicago, IL 60653)

WHAT: A prayer vigil for justice in Chicago, calling for:

1. A federal investigation into the Laquan McDonald case;
2. The Chicago Police Department to work proactively with community and faith leaders to ensure that justice will be administered fairly in Chicago;
3. Churches and faith leaders to increase their advocacy for justice for the city's youth

WHO: Chicago pastors and churches from around the city, including Rev. Charlie Dates (Progressive Baptist Church); Rev. Marshall Hatch (Leaders Network); Rev. Chris Harris (Bright Star Church); Rev. Daniel Hill (River City Community Church);

Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes (West Point Missionary Baptist Church); Rev. David Swanson (New Community Covenant Church - Bronzeville); Rev. Mark Tao (Immanuel Covenant Church); Rev. Michael Neal (Glorious Light Church); Rev. Byron Whitehead (Mt Carmel Missionary Baptist Church); Rev. Quentin Mumphery (New Hope Covenant Church); Rev. Patrick Shaffer (City of Faith Christian Church); Rev. David Watkins III (Greater Bethesda Missionary Baptist Church) and many more.

From: Henry, Vance
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 3:53:09 PM
To: Chief of Patrol Eddie Johnson
Cc: Bennett, Kenneth; Quinn, Kelley; Deal, Joe; Laws, Lisa
Subject: Fw: Prayer Vigil at CPD HQ; Monday, 11/30; 6:00-7:00PM

Chief(Eddie),

Pls find my appreciation for your willingness to discuss and assist with the attached request from local clergy.

As you'll note from the attached, this assembly of clergy will likely receive media attention.

Pls let me know, if further support or action is required, from me.

As always, many thanks for your assistance.

Respectfully,

From: david.w.swanson@gmail.com <david.w.swanson@gmail.com> on behalf of David W Swanson
<david@thenewcom.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 1:59:02 PM
To: Henry, Vance
Cc: Charlie Dates
Subject: Prayer Vigil at CPD HQ; Monday, 11/30; 6:00-7:00PM

Mr Vance,

The prayer vigil will take place on Monday, 11/30 from 6:00-7:00 PM at CPD headquarters (3510 S. Michigan). The primary organizers are myself, Pastor Charlie Dates of Progressive Baptist Church, Pastor Michael Neal of Glorious Light Church, Pastor Chris Harris of Bright Star Church, Pastor Byron Whitehead of Mt Carmel MBC, and Pastor L. Bernard Jakes of West Point MBC. As you'll see in the press release we have pastors and churches coming from around the city, including Pastor Marshall Hatch from the west side.

Our purpose is simply to gather the collective church in Chicago to pray for justice in the Laquan McDonald case and to recommit ourselves as faith communities to be about the work of justice.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions. I greatly appreciate your assistance with this.

--
David Swanson

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From: George Cardenas [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 4:42 PM
To: Mc Carthy, Garry F.
Subject: Fwd: Latino Caucus Press Release

Heads up. Your comments are welcomed.

George Cardenas

312.560.4468

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Anabel Abarca <ward12anabel@gmail.com>
Date: November 28, 2015 at 2:21:19 PM CST
To: George Cardenas <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fwd: Latino Caucus Press Release

CHICAGO – Today, the City of Chicago Latino Caucus called for immediate joint hearings by the Committee on Public Safety and Committee on Human Relations into the recent events surrounding the death of Laquan McDonald. This comes after the video of Laquan McDonald, who was shot to death by an on-duty Chicago Police Officer, was released earlier this week. The Latino Caucus also calls for changes within the City Council to address the breakdown of information given to Council members.

“There is no doubt that the death of Laquan McDonald was unnecessary and tragic. This is an unfortunate reminder that too many lives from minority communities have been lost by a broken system.

“The Latino Caucus is calling for hearings to begin the process of righting a broken system. We ask that the joint committees hear testimony from the following:

- Superintendent Garry McCarthy
- Cook County State’s Attorney Anita Alvarez
- Fraternal Order of Police President, Dean Angelo
- Independent Police Review Authority Chief Administrator, Scott M. Ando

“In addition, the Latino Caucus asks the joint committee to examine the following:

- A thorough review of police general orders regarding the use of deadly

force.

- Review the current training and disciplinary requirements for police officers after they are involved in a shooting.
- Transferring the source of settlement claims from the general fund to the Police Department budget.

"Finally, the Latino Caucus seeks the following:

- Mandatory and thorough briefings by Corporation Counsel on any financial settlement stemming from a police shooting.
- Mandatory and thorough briefings for all financial settlements by the city related to police abuse.

"Our city can, will and must do better. This is not a time for cynicism. Instead, let us take the words from Laquan's family and let us do better by the legacy of Laquan. Let us fix our system, a system deemed lost by so many, and show the City of Chicago, its citizens and its neighbors, that the lives lost were not in vain.

"We cannot stand by and watch as our city and neighborhoods are ignored. Many of us know and have experienced the great work that rank-and-file officers perform everyday and they have our resounding support.

"We can no longer simply treat the symptom: as a united Chicago, we must treat the disease. Therefore, the Latino Caucus calls on the Mayor, his administration, and local leaders to do everything possible to rebuild so that healing can truly begin. These hearings are only the first step."

Anabel Abarca

12th Ward, Alderman George Cardenas
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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Sunday, November 29, 2015 6:24 PM
To: REMOC
Subject: Re: Laquan McDonald Headlines Oct. 2014-April 2015

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I understand and am trying to find out

On Nov 29, 2015, at 6:18 PM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Will we lead the country I. Officers covered

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On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 4:13 PM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley" <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Ok

On Nov 29, 2015, at 6:11 PM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

They don't like exclusive. Ask Janet any police dept have as much of dept covered

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On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 4:05 PM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley"
<Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Every station had picked it up, and so have the Associated Press and Reuters, so it is getting coverage outside of Chicago. Still nothing from the Trib and we are trying to figure out why. [REDACTED]

On Nov 29, 2015, at 5:57 PM, REMOC <REMOC@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

How are we doing on body cams

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On Sun, Nov 29, 2015 at 1:53 PM -0800, "Quinn, Kelley"

<Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Mayor,

Below are stories/columns/editorials regarding the case from the date of the shooting until April. The Trib, S-T and NYT each wrote op-eds in April, as you will see below.

Title: Boy, 17, Fatally Shot By Officer After Refusing To Drop Knife

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Quinn Ford

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-chicago-shootings-violence-20141021-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Officers remained in their car and followed McDonald as he walked south on Pulaski Road. More officers arrived and police tried to box the teen in with two squad cars, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. McDonald punctured one of the squad car's front passenger-side tires and damaged the front windshield, police and Camden said. Officers got out of their car and began approaching McDonald, again telling him to drop the knife, Camden said. The boy allegedly lunged at police, and one of the officers opened fire. McDonald was shot in the chest and taken to Mount Sinai Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 10:42 p.m. He lived in the 500 block of North Springfield Avenue, about 5 miles from where he was shot.

-Camden said none of the officers who responded had a Taser to use on the teen and were trying to detain him long enough for one to arrive. He said officers were forced to defend themselves.

Title: Boy, 17, Shot To Death By Police On Southwest Side Identified

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mitchell Armentrout

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/?p=145458>

KEY MATERIAL:

-An autopsy Tuesday found he died of multiple gunshot wounds and his death was ruled a homicide, according to the medical examiner's office.

-The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger-side tire of a squad car and damage its front windshield before leading officers on a foot chase, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near 41st and Pulaski, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when he "refused to comply with orders to drop the knife and continued to approach the officers," police said.

Title: Boy, 17, Killed On South Side By Police Had A Knife, Police Say

Publication: DNAinfo.com

Byline: Josh McGhee

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.dnainfo.com/chicago/20141021/archer-heights/police-shoot-knife-wielding-man-on-south-side>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Around 9:45 p.m., police received a report of someone breaking into cars in the 4100 block of South Karlov Avenue. When they arrived they confronted the boy, who used a knife to puncture a tire on a police car and then damaged the car's window, police said. The boy then ran from police and was confronted in the 4100 block of South Pulaski Avenue but refused to drop the knife, police said. When he continued to approach officers, one of them shot him, police said.'

Title: Teen Shot, Killed By Police Officer On Chicago's Southwest Side

Publication: NBC Chicago

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/chicago-shooting-4100-south-karlov-279884562.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Responding officers found a 17-year-old boy "with a strange gaze about him" who was carrying a knife and wouldn't drop it when police ordered him to do so, Fraternal Order of Police spokesman Pat Camden said. The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger tire of a police squad car and damaged its front windshield before running away, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near West 41st Street and South Pulaski Road, Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when the teen didn't drop the knife and continued to walk toward officers, police said.

Title: Police Shoot, Kill Knife-Wielding Teen On South Side

Publication: CBS Chicago

Byline: Marissa Bailey

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2014/10/21/police-shoot-kill-knife-wielding-teen-on-south-side/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Pat Camden, spokesman for the Chicago Fraternal Order of Police, said the teen had a "crazed" look about him as he approached the officers with the knife.

-A police officer shot the teen when he refused to drop the weapon. However, at least one witness said there were several officers at the scene, and the shooting was unnecessary. "They didn't need to shoot him. They didn't. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him," Alma Benitez said.

Title: Officer Fatally Shot 17-Year-Old Boy Armed With Knife In Archer Heights, Police Say

Publication: ABC7

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://abc7chicago.com/news/police-officer-fatally-shot-teen-with-knife-in-archer-heights/359273/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-[Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said an officer shot the 17-year-old boy in the chest after he came toward the officer with the knife raised. One witness describes the scene differently. "It was super exaggerated. You didn't need that many cops to begin with. They didn't need to shoot him. They didn't. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him," Alma Benitez said.

-The teen was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital in critical condition, where he was later pronounced dead.

Title: Chicago Police Fatally Shot A Teen In October. Now Some Are Calling For Department To Release Video.

Publication: Huffington Post

Byline: Joseph Erbentraut

Published: December 10, 2014

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/12/09/laquan-mcdonald-chicago-police-shooting_n_6296688.html?ir=Chicagoutm_hp_ref=chicago

Title: UofC Professor: Release Police Shooting Video

Publication: RedEye

Byline: Megan Crepeau

Published: December 11, 2014

<http://www.redeyechicago.com/news/local/redeye-u-of-c-professor-release-police-shooting-video-20141211-story.html>

Title: Questions Surround A Chicago Police Fatal Shooting Of A Teen

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: December 16, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/140764/questions-surround-chicago-police-fatal-shooting-teen>

Title: Sixteen Shots

Publication: Slate

Byline: Jamie Kalven

Published: February 10, 2015

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/politics/2015/02/laquan_mcdonald_shooting_a_recently_obtained_autopsy_report_on_the_dead.html

Title: Report: Chicago Police Shoot Teen 16 Times

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: February 23, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/390180/report-chicago-police-shoot-teen-16-times-2>

Title: Chicago Poised To Pay \$5 Million To Family Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Police

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gerner

Published: April 10, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-million-dollar-police-settlement-met-20150410-story.html>

Title: City Moves To Settle Lawsuit Over Police-Involved Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 11, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/514396/city-moves-settle-police-involved-shooting-lawsuit>

Title: FBI Investigation Underway In Deadly Police Shooting Of Teen That Cost Taxpayers \$5 Million

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 13, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/516256/state-federal-investigation-underway-deadly-police-shooting-cost-taxpayers-5-million>

Title: Illinois: Chicago Police Killing Of Teenage Is Under Investigation

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 13, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/14/us/illinois-chicago-police-killing-of-teenager-is-under-investigation.html?_r=0

Title: Videotape Stays Under Wraps In Fatal Shooting Of Black Teen By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

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<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/516584/videotape-stays-under-wraps-fatal-shooting-black-teen-by-chicago-cop>

Title: FBI Investigating Death Of Teen Shot 16 times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gorner and Jason Meisner

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-feds-probe-police-shooting-met-20150413-story.html>

Title: Chicago To Pay \$5 Million To Family Teen Shot 16 Times By Cop While Allegedly Wielding Knife

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 14, 2015

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/04/14/laquan-mcdonald-chicago_n_7062962.html

Title: Alderman Demands Release Of Video Of Police Officer Shooting Black Teenager

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518541/brookins-demands-release-video-police-officers-shooting-black-teenager>

Title: Hundreds Protest Shootings By Police In Chicago and Nationwide

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Maudlyne Ihejirika

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518961/hundreds-protest-police-brutality-chicago-nationwide>

Title: Why The City Doesn't Want Video of Laquan McDonald's Shooting Released

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/518878/laquan-mcdonald-video-settlement-police-shooting>

Title: City Council Approves \$5 Million Settlement Stemming From Fatal Police Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/520893/city-council-approves-5-million-settlement-stemming-fatal-police-shooting>

Title: Brown: Burge Reparations Won't Erase "Stain On the History Of This City"

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mark Brown

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/politics/7/71/522472/burge-reparations-wont-erase-stain-on-history-city>

Title: Chicago Council Approves \$5M Settlement In Police Shooting

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A (though actually Don Babwin)

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<http://www.wbez.org/news/chicago-council-approves-5m-settlement-police-shooting-111871>

Title: PCP Found In Body Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Groner

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-police-shooting-16-shots-met-20150414-story.html>

Title: Why Did A Chicago Cop Shoot Laquan McDonald?

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/editorials/ct-police-shooting-video-edit-0416-20150415-story.html>

Title: Chicago Pays \$5 Million To Family Of Black Teenager Killed By Officer

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Monica Davey

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/16/us/chicago-pays-5-million-to-family-of-black-teenager-killed-by-officer.html>

Title: Chicago Approves \$5.25 Million For Police Cases

Publication: Reuters

Byline: Mary Wisniewski

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/04/15/us-usa-chicago-police-lawsuits-idUSKBN0N619P20150415#Vg8p1e8xbxC27yrx.97>

Title: Release The LaQuan McDonald Video

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Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/editorials-opinion/7/71/538514/chicago-police-shooting-laquan-mcdonald-reparations>

Title: The Violent Legacy of Chicago's Police

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/21/opinion/the-violent-legacy-of-chicagos-police.html?_r=0

Title: Dark Days

Publication: The Economist

Byline: N/A

Published: April 25, 2015

<http://www.economist.com/news/united-states/21649503-citys-police-have-yet-put-their-murky-past-behind-them-dark-days>

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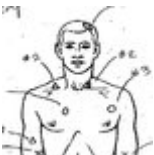
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CPD to expand body camera program for officers



A Hammond police patrolman points out a light denoting that a recording has started on his body camera during a demonstration of the technology.

(Kyle Telechan / Post-Tribune)

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Chicago Police to expand body camera program to 6 new districts

Following days of protests after the release of the video showing the fatal police shooting of a Chicago teen, Mayor [Rahm Emanuel](#) and [Chicago police](#) Superintendent [Garry McCarthy](#) announced Sunday that police officers will wear [body cameras](#) in six additional police districts by mid-2016.

"Equipping every officer with a wearable camera device allows us to harness the power of technology to better serve the people of Chicago," McCarthy said in a statement Sunday. "In addition to protecting police officers and citizens, cameras have been shown to reduce citizen complaints against police and are great tools for evidence gathering and training as they allow us to learn from actual encounters with the public."

After testing body cameras in one district for nearly 11 months, the city will announce the six police districts where officers will wear body cameras "in the coming days." The Chicago Police Department will be buying the cameras, which can record up to 72 hours on a single charge in high definition, in February. The new cameras can also double as in-vehicle recording devices.

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The program is expected to be funded with a \$1.1 million grant from the [U.S. Department of Justice](#) and \$1.1 million in matching funds from the city. CPD also has applied for state grants to assist with camera purchases, storage, maintenance, upload stations and other program-related costs.

The expanded body-worn camera program will include automatic equipment upgrades every 30 months to ensure officers have the best technology available.



In police shooting of Laquan McDonald, questions remain about Burger King video's 86-minute gap

Since January, the Shakespeare District, which encompasses Logan Square, Bucktown and Wicker Park, as well as parts of Avondale and Humboldt Park, has tested 30 body cameras on routine calls for service, investigative stops, traffic stops, emergency vehicle responses and evidence collection. So far, police have recorded more than 4,600 videos totaling more than 745 hours, according to the city.

In the past, McCarthy has pointed to research which shows that citizen complaints dropped by as much as 80 percent for some police departments using body cameras.

The push for police departments to test body cameras has been a renewed endeavor in the wake of a number of high-profile, police-involved shootings. The most recent case to garner national attention is the shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald in October 2014. Last week, the city released a police vehicle's dash-cam video showing Officer Jason Van Dyke shooting the teen. The video's release came on the same day Van Dyke was charged with first-degree murder in connection with the shooting.

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U. of C. cancels Monday classes after threat to Hyde Park campus

Tony BriscoeChicago Tribune

The University of Chicago announced Sunday that all classes and other activities planned for Monday on its Hyde Park campus will be canceled after FBI counterterrorism officials informed the university of a gun violence threat to the campus.

University President Robert Zimmer sent an email to students and staff warning them of a threat posted online by an unknown individual, which specifically mentioned "the campus quad" at 10 a.m. Monday.

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Police: Mother, son found dead in Beach Park; 'person' of interest in custody

Jim NewtonNews-Sun

A person of interest is in custody related to the "suspicious" deaths of two people, including a 14-year old, in Beach Park early Sunday, according to the Lake County sheriff's office.

Sheriff's Det. Christopher Covelli said Sunday morning that the sheriff's office was investigating the "suspicious deaths" of two people found dead in their home on Bairstow Avenue.

Covelli said sheriff's deputies responded to a call at 2:48 a.m. Sunday, and that when officers arrived at the house, they located five people inside the residence.

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Burger King manager told grand jury of gap in Laquan McDonald video

Jason MeisnerChicago Tribune

As the shocking video of a Chicago police officer fatally shooting 17-year-old Laquan McDonald is played worldwide, other footage from the scene that night has gone missing.

Minutes after McDonald was shot 16 times by Officer Jason Van Dyke on a Southwest Side street, several police officers entered a Burger King located just yards from where the teen fell, demanding to view the restaurant's password-protected surveillance video, Jay Darshane, a district manager for the fast-food chain, told the Tribune this week.

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Bottom of Bears roster tops list of reasons for return to respectability



David HaughChicago Tribune

So many reporters surrounded cornerback Tracy Porter, the minimum-salary veteran playing like a Pro Bowler, that a team public-relations official moved the conversation so as not to block the hallway into the Bears locker room.

That cleared a path to safety Chris Prosinski, who drew a crowd explaining how he forced Packers running back Eddie Lacy to fumble, the biggest defensive play in Thursday's 17-13 victory at Lambeau Field.

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Father of 3 dies in Back of the Yards shooting during holiday visit

Megan CrepeauChicago Tribune

A woman stood at the corner of Garfield Boulevard and Union Avenue early Sunday morning and called 911.

Send an ambulance now, said LaTonya Taylor. Someone was shot hours ago, and he was still in the car.

“He got shot at 12:30,” she said. Her voice was steady and deliberate. “I want to know why he’s still sitting here.”

Yes, she said, police were there already, at least 20 officers. But the person shot might be her son, and he was still in the crashed car. She listened for a moment and hung up.

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Man held on \$200K in fatal Dan Ryan crash

Dawn RhodesChicago Tribune

A 35-year-old Englewood man was charged with aggravated DUI and reckless homicide after a Friday morning Dan Ryan crash that killed his 29-year-old girlfriend.

Lyman B. Harvey of the 5500 South Laflin Street in Chicago appeared in bond court Sunday in connection with the Nov. 27 crash.

Prosecutors said Harvey was driving north on the Dan Ryan around 12:30 a.m. with his girlfriend, Chalan V. Peterson, riding in the passenger seat. Peterson's two-year-old son was riding in the back, prosecutors said.

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Subject: Re: 11/30 Press Guidance

Thanks. Will forward/

On Nov 30, 2015, at 7:33 AM, Klinzman, Grant <Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Good morning. Today's press guidance is attached and pasted below. KQ can you please forward to the Mayor? Thank you - Grant

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5) Sports Brief

- **Blackhawks – loss:** Lost to the L.A. Kings late Saturday.
 - Patrick Kane scored in his 19th consecutive game to set a new NHL record for the longest points streak by a U.S.-born play.
 - The Blackhawks led for most of the game until the Kings scored with about 6 minutes left in the 3rd period and again in overtime for the win.
 - They play the Minnesota Wild on Tuesday at 7:30 in Chicago.
- **Bears – win:** Beat the Green Bay Packers in Green Bay 17-13 on Thanksgiving Day.
 - The key play was a fourth quarter stop by the Bears defense on the final drive of the game.
 - They now have five victories in their last eight games and are heading into December with a chance at the playoffs.
 - The Bears are 5-6, and 3rd in the NFC North.
 - They place San Francisco on Sunday in Chicago.
- **Bulls – loss:** Lost to the Pacers 92 – 104 on Friday.
 - The Bulls are 9-5, and 4th in the Eastern Conference.
 - They play the Spurs on Monday in Chicago.
- **Phillips Academy – win:** Beat Altoff Catholic High School 51-7 in the state championship football game on Friday.
 - No Chicago Public Schools football team has won a state title previously.
 - Coach Troy McAllister and his Wildcats team had a perfect season and secured a spot in Illinois' sports history.

6) Talking Points

LAQUAN MCDONALD

Jason Van Dyke is in court today and the judge will be considering whether to grant him bail. Do you think he should receive bail?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Have you seen the video? What is your reaction? When did you watch it and why did it take so long?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Many people are saying that the \$5 million settlement with Laquan McDonald's family was hush money, designed to keep the case quiet and keep the video out of the public eye until after your election. Can you respond?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Are you expanding the CPD body camera because of Laquan McDonald?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

There have been many calls for you to fire Garry McCarthy – from Aldermen to state legislators to clergy and community leaders. You’ve faced pressure on this before, but nothing this strong. Is his job really safe?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Can you address the sentiment that the city and the police department dragged their feet on the investigation?

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Why was there no working audio on any of the CPD dash cam videos? It is supposed to activate anytime emergency lights are activated.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Can you comment on the rumblings of a police cover up in this case? There is missing video from the nearby Burger King that would be evidence.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

What about the culture of the police department? You have officers, like Jason Van Dyke, with many complaints filed against them that often go unpunished. What are you telling the officers, and the city's residents, when the system doesn't seem to hold anyone accountable?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]

Can you talk about the political pressure Alvarez must be feeling right now, with an upcoming primary against two African American women who are already criticizing her handling of this case?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

What plans are in place for demonstrations and protests following the release of this video? What have you learned from other instances of unrest following police shootings around the country?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

With protests going on this week, can you talk about concerns that have been raised recently about CPD's investigations into protesters' legal gatherings following the events in Ferguson? Are you aware of whether or not they have launched such an investigation this week?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

There's also a lawsuit into CPD's use of stingray cellphone tracking equipment. Can you talk about the use of that technology and whether it has been used in response to this week's protests?

- [REDACTED]

What did you hear from community leaders earlier this week? We heard from some who declined to meet with you, some who are frustrated with the Superintendent and some who said we may see riots like Ferguson and Baltimore.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Why the about face on releasing the video? Just a week earlier you made it clear that you would only release the video at the appropriate time.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

The delay of releasing the video has bred mistrust. Just this weekend Rev. Jackson said the city has been trying to suppress evidence to cover up this police shooting. How much worse has that delay made this situation?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Nothing in the law has prevented you from releasing the video, despite the fact that you keep leaning on that answer. So why wait?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Have you spoken to the McDonald family?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Why hasn't the officer been fired? How do you explain to so many who see this as a lack of justice?

- [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

There are reports that some are hoping this incident and what takes place over the next few days may be motivation for you to fire Supt. McCarthy. Can you talk about his status?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

PROTESTS IN RESPONSE

Can you comment on the demonstrations that have been going on throughout the city since last Wednesday?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

ARRESTS MADE IN TYSHAWN LEE MURDER CASE

What can you tell us about the arrests reportedly made in the murder of Tyshawn Lee?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

When do you expect to make more arrests in the case? Garry McCarthy said there are a number of others.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

CTU STRIKE VOTE

Are you worried that CTU is going to vote to strike on Dec. 9?

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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CRAIN'S // Rich Miller // November 28, 2015

Here's what the Chicago Police Department told the media after LaQuan McDonald was killed by a police officer 13 months ago: A drug-addled black kid lunged at a cop with a knife and was then shot in the chest. Six months later, and a week after Chicago's mayoral election, the City Council rushed through approval of a \$5 million settlement with McDonald's family, even though no lawsuit had been filed.

Seven months after that, the city finally released the dashboard video from a Chicago police car which clearly showed McDonald walking away from the police when he was shot 16 times—and almost all of those shots were fired as he lay bleeding to death on the pavement.

In addition to the officer who shot him, everybody failed that kid, from his own mother, who lost custody of LaQuan after her boyfriend savagely beat him; to the state's Department of Children and Family Services, which was supposed to protect and help him as his legal ward; to the city's mayor, who covered up the gruesome manner of McDonald's death by fighting the release of the dashboard video; to the City Council, for not demanding answers before approving such a huge settlement; to the mainstream media, for not following up on their denied Freedom of Information Act requests with a lawsuit; to Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, for her all-too-usual slow-walking of investigations of alleged police misconduct; to Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan, who waited until the day before a judge finally acted to claim that the city had violated the state's Freedom of Information Act by sitting on the video.

Other states take much better care of their young wards. Yes, that can be expensive. But if caring for the kids nobody else wants isn't one of the state's most important responsibilities, I don't know what the heck is.

According to the Chicago Sun-Times, LaQuan was sexually molested in two different foster homes that were chosen, vetted and paid for by the state.

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If that doesn't boggle your mind and enrage your very soul, then absolutely nothing will.

Other states release their police dashboard and body cam videos much, much faster than Illinois. While that may lead to some unrest in the streets, it's infinitely more democratic and honest than our far too encumbered, lumbering process, which overwhelmingly favors the political interests of those who run things. Citizens can't hold politicians accountable if they are deliberately kept in the dark, so Chicagoans deserved the right to know about McDonald's death before they voted last spring.

And most other states license their police officers.

According to an article in Police Chief magazine, 44 states license police officers and have a statewide process for revoking those licenses.

Illinois does neither, but it's not for lack of trying.

Earlier this year when the General Assembly was debating law enforcement reforms, police licensure was a hot topic. But, according to its chief sponsor, Sen. Kwame Raoul, D-Chicago, the idea was derailed by the House Republicans. The proposal was dropped in order to achieve a bipartisan victory on some much-needed reforms like body cams and police training.

Cops have an almost impossible job, particularly in Chicago. Between Jan. 1 and Nov. 23, there have been 2,712 Chicago shooting victims, according to the Chicago Tribune. I wouldn't want to be a Chicago cop for any amount of money.

The number of fatal shootings by police (70 in five years) pales in comparison to the total of all shootings. For most, our first instinct is to back the police. It's a natural reaction. They're our protectors, so we want to believe they are just and good people, and most definitely are.

But more citizens, particularly in high crime areas, have more contact with the police than they do with any other government employees. And, of course, the cops carry guns and are allowed to use them. In Chicago, official discipline of bad cops is so rare as to be almost non-existent, according to some recent studies. It's a problem that screams for a remedy from above.

We need to do a better job as a state. The nightmare at DCFS needs to be addressed before the government makes more kids' lives even worse.

Our Freedom of Information Act should no longer be a freedom from information law.

And we as a state should revisit the police licensing issue, since Chicago apparently can't seem to take care of this very real problem on its own.

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Steve,

Here is the breakdown of McDonald stories.

Two key things. Brookins was calling for the tape to be released on April 14, and you are first quoted on April 15 saying it will be released after the investigations are complete.

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Title: Boy, 17, Fatally Shot By Officer After Refusing To Drop Knife

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Quinn Ford

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/chi-chicago-shootings-violence-20141021-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Officers remained in their car and followed McDonald as he walked south on Pulaski Road. More officers arrived and police tried to box the teen in with two squad cars, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. McDonald punctured one of the squad car's front passenger-side tires and damaged the front windshield, police and Camden said. Officers got out of their car and began approaching McDonald, again telling him to drop the knife, Camden said. The boy allegedly lunged at police, and one of the officers opened fire. McDonald was shot in the chest and taken to Mount Sinai Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 10:42 p.m. He lived in the 500 block of North Springfield Avenue, about 5 miles from where he was shot.

-Camden said none of the officers who responded had a Taser to use on the teen and were trying to detain him long enough for one to arrive. He said officers were forced to defend themselves.

Title: Boy, 17, Shot To Death By Police On Southwest Side Identified

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mitchell Armentrout

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/?p=145458>

KEY MATERIAL:

-An autopsy Tuesday found he died of multiple gunshot wounds and his death was ruled a homicide, according to the medical examiner's office.

-The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger-side tire of a squad car and damage its front windshield before leading officers on a foot chase, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near 41st and Pulaski, [Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when he "refused to comply with orders to drop the knife and continued to approach the officers," police said.

Title: Boy, 17, Killed On South Side By Police Had A Knife, Police Say

Publication: [DNAinfo.com](http://www.dnainfo.com)

Byline: Josh McGhee

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.dnainfo.com/chicago/20141021/archer-heights/police-shoot-knife-wielding-man-on-south-side>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Around 9:45 p.m., police received a report of someone breaking into cars in the 4100 block of South Karlov Avenue. When they arrived they confronted the boy, who used a knife to puncture a tire on a police car and then damaged the car's window, police said. The boy then ran from police and was confronted in the 4100 block of South Pulaski Avenue but refused to drop the knife, police said. When he continued to approach officers, one of them shot him, police said.'

Title: Teen Shot, Killed By Police Officer On Chicago's Southwest Side

Publication: NBC Chicago

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/chicago-shooting-4100-south-karlov-279884562.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Responding officers found a 17-year-old boy "with a strange gaze about him" who was carrying a knife and wouldn't drop it when police

ordered him to do so, Fraternal Order of Police spokesman Pat Camden said. The teen used the knife to puncture the front passenger tire of a police squad car and damaged its front windshield before running away, police said. Other officers used a squad car to try and box the boy in against a fence near West 41st Street and South Pulaski Road, Camden said. An officer shot him in the chest when the teen didn't drop the knife and continued to walk toward officers, police said.

Title: Police Shoot, Kill Knife-Wielding Teen On South Side

Publication: CBS Chicago

Byline: Marissa Bailey

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://chicago.cbslocal.com/2014/10/21/police-shoot-kill-knife-wielding-teen-on-south-side/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-Pat Camden, spokesman for the Chicago Fraternal Order of Police, said the teen had a “crazed” look about him as he approached the officers with the knife.

-A police officer shot the teen when he refused to drop the weapon. However, at least one witness said there were several officers at the scene, and the shooting was unnecessary. “They didn’t need to shoot him. They didn’t. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him,” Alma Benitez said.

Title: Officer Fatally Shot 17-Year-Old Boy Armed With Knife In Archer Heights, Police Say

Publication: ABC7

Byline: N/A

Published: October 21, 2014

<http://abc7chicago.com/news/police-officer-fatally-shot-teen-with-knife-in-archer-heights/359273/>

KEY MATERIAL:

-[Fraternal Order of Police Pat] Camden said an officer shot the 17-year-old boy in the chest after he came toward the officer with the knife raised. One witness describes the scene differently. "It was super exaggerated. You didn't need that many cops to begin with. They didn't need to shoot him. They didn't. They basically had him face-to-face. There was no purpose why they had to shoot him," Alma Benitez said.

-The teen was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital in critical condition, where he was later pronounced dead.

Title: Chicago Police Fatally Shot A Teen In October. Now Some Are Calling For Department To Release Video.

Publication: Huffington Post

Byline: Joseph Erbentraut

Published: December 10, 2014

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/12/09/laquan-mcdonald-chicago-police-shooting_n_6296688.html?ir=Chicagoutm_hp_ref=chicago

KEY MATERIAL:

On Monday, journalist Jamie Kalven, founder of production company Invisible Institute, and University of Chicago Law School professor Craig Futterman, founder of the school's Civil Rights and Police Accountability Project, published a news release calling for the Chicago Police Department to release video footage of the police shooting that resulted in Laquan McDonald's death on Oct. 20. "There's lots of reasons to question and doubt whether this level of deadly force was required and the only way in which it can be addressed is making the videos public," Kalven told The Huffington Post.

Title: UofC Professor: Release Police Shooting Video

Publication: RedEye

Byline: Megan Crepeau

Published: December 11, 2014

<http://www.redeyechicago.com/news/local/redeye-u-of-c-professor-release-police-shooting-video-20141211-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

“When there are such fractured relationships between police and particularly African-American communities in Chicago, the right thing to do as a matter of policy ... is to take the lead, to be a leader and not a follower in terms of transparency,” said the professor, Craig Futterman. “Keep the public informed and show also that, ‘hey, folks, you can trust our investigations, you can look and see them.’”

Title: Questions Surround A Chicago Police Fatal Shooting Of A Teen

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: December 16, 2014

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/140764/questions-surround-chicago-police-fatal-shooting-teen>

KEY MATERIAL:

“An officer shot him in the chest when he refused to comply with orders to drop the knife and continued to approach the officers,” Camden said.

The Cook County Medical Examiner determined McDonald had multiple gunshot wounds and ruled his death a homicide.

Witnesses have told a University of Chicago professor and an investigative journalist that rather than threatening officers, the teen was “shying away”, and that an officer continued to shoot McDonald as he lay on the ground.

“We’re being told that there is a video being kept under lock and key of the young man being shot down like a dog in the street,” said Craig Futterman, founder of the Civil Rights and Police Accountability Project of the University of Chicago’s Mandel Aid Clinic.

A Chicago Police Department spokesman declined to answer questions about the case or confirm the existence of a video.

Title: Sixteen Shots

Publication: Slate

Byline: Jamie Kalven

Published: February 10, 2015

http://www.slate.com/articles/news_and_politics/politics/2015/02/laquan_mcdonald_shooting_a_recently_obtained_autopsy_report_on_the_dead.html

KEY MATERIAL:

The Chicago press dutifully reported the police account of the incident. The reporter for the local NBC station called it "a clear-cut case of self-defense." It was also reported that the Independent Police Review Authority (IPRA), the city agency charged with investigating police shootings, would conduct an investigation, as it does in the case of every "police-involved shooting."

Title: Report: Chicago Police Shoot Teen 16 Times

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: February 23, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/390180/report-chicago-police-shoot-teen-16-times-2>

KEY MATERIAL:

But the autopsy report, which the "Invisible Institute" obtained via the Freedom of Information Act, appears to suggest McDonald wasn't just shot in the chest. His body was riddled with bullets.

According to the autopsy, McDonald had gunshot wounds to the left scalp, neck, left chest, right chest, left elbow, right upper arm, left forearm, right upper leg, left upper back, left elbow, posterior right upper arm, right arm, right forearm, right hand, right lower back, right upper leg.

“How could an incident that began with the responding officers assessing the situation and deciding they needed a Taser end a few minutes later with 16 bullets ripping through Laquan McDonald’s body from different directions?” asked Kalven in a lengthy article posted on Slate.com.

Title: Chicago Poised To Pay \$5 Million To Family Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Police

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gorner

Published: April 10, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-million-dollar-police-settlement-met-20150410-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

A proposed settlement of \$5 million to the mother of Laquan McDonald, 17, is scheduled to be discussed at Monday's monthly Finance Committee meeting at City Hall, according to an agenda for the meeting posted online Friday.

The \$5 million settlement — which still would need to be approved by the full council later this month — comes nearly six months after McDonald was shot 16 times outside a fast-food restaurant on the Southwest Side.

Title: City Moves To Settle Lawsuit Over Police-Involved Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 11, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/514396/city-moves-settle-police-involved-shooting-lawsuit>

KEY MATERIAL:

Futterman noted that without the video, Slager might still be on the street.

“[But] the city [of Chicago] won’t release the video because it’s afraid

of exposing the truth. It's too ugly. The video may reveal a police officer unloading his clip into a boy laying on the ground, writhing in pain," Futterman said.

"The city would prefer to keep it under wraps. However, the only way to rebuild trust is to stop denying the reality of the experiences of so many black folks in this city. Even if the reality is ugly, we can't build trust without first being honest with one another."

Title: FBI Investigation Underway In Deadly Police Shooting Of Teen That Cost Taxpayers \$5 Million

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 13, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/516256/state-federal-investigation-underway-deadly-police-shooting-cost-taxpayers-5-million>

KEY MATERIAL:

A City Council Committee agreed Monday to pay \$5 million to the family of a black teenager shot 16 times by a Chicago Police officer — even before a lawsuit was filed — amid word that the fatal shooting of Laquan McDonald is the subject of an FBI investigation.

Corporation Counsel Stephen Patton disclosed the existence of a "pending and active" state and federal investigation of the October 20, 2014, shooting as he justified the unusual settlement before a lawsuit was filed. In a statement issued Monday afternoon, the U.S. attorney's office confirmed that the FBI office in Chicago was leading the investigation "in coordination with the Independent Police Review Authority, the U.S. Attorney's Office, and the Cook County State's Attorney's Office."

Title: Illinois: Chicago Police Killing Of Teenage Is Under Investigation

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 13, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/14/us/illinois-chicago-police-killing-of-teenager-is-under-investigation.html?_r=0

KEY MATERIAL:

In recommending the settlement, the city's corporation counsel, Stephen Patton, said dashboard video of the shooting prompted the city's decision to settle with the family before a federal lawsuit was filed. Superintendent Garry McCarthy of the Police Department said the unidentified officer who shot Mr. McDonald has been put on paid desk duty. Mr. Patton noted that several officers followed Mr. McDonald for blocks and did not fire their weapons. He said the officer who fired was late to the scene.

Title: Videotape Stays Under Wraps In Fatal Shooting Of Black Teen By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 13, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/516584/videotape-stays-under-wraps-fatal-shooting-black-teen-by-chicago-cop>

KEY MATERIAL:

But \$5 million can also buy a lot of silence.

As it is, the city has been able to keep this police-involved shooting shrouded in secrecy.

The identity of the police officer who shot McDonald multiple times remains a mystery, even though he was stripped of his police powers and put on desk duty.

And a dash-cam video that purportedly shows the Oct. 20, 2014, shooting also has been kept under wraps.

The multimillion-dollar payout in this case is evidence that something went terribly wrong that night.

"It is a case that the city had serious concerns about major liability,"

said Craig Futterman, the founder of the Civil Rights and Police Accountability Clinic at the University of Chicago, the organization that has pressured the city to release the video.

"It may also indicate their fear of the video coming out in a public trial. It is basically hush money," he said.

But rather than McDonald's case ending in obscurity, Futterman believes the case could be a catalyst for change.

"I am not aware of a single incidence in which a Chicago Police officer has ever been criminally prosecuted for an on-duty shooting of another person. This could wind up being something quite historic," he said.

Title: FBI Investigating Death Of Teen Shot 16 times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gerner and Jason Meisner

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-feds-probe-police-shooting-met-20150413-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

In a briefing for reporters after the hearing, Patton said dashboard camera footage of the shooting was crucial to the city's decision to settle the case before a federal lawsuit was filed. He said lawyers for the family initially sought \$16 million.

During the hearing, Patton said the officer who fired all 16 shots has claimed he was in fear for his life. A spokesman for the Fraternal Order of Police said shortly after the shooting that the teen had lunged at the officer with the knife.

But Patton noted that lawyers for the teen would question why none of the other five officers on the scene opened fire.

Furthermore, lawyers for McDonald's family contend "very vehemently" that the videotape showed that McDonald was still walking away from police when the lone officer pulled the trigger, Patton said.

Title: Chicago To Pay \$5 Million To Family Teen Shot 16 Times By Cop While Allegedly Wielding Knife

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A

Published: April 14, 2015

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/04/14/laquan-mcdonald-chicago_n_7062962.html

KEY MATERIAL:

"We consider his case like we consider every case based on all the evidence, all the facts, and it included the video, yes," Patton said.

"Here that was an important part of the evidence."

Title: Alderman Demands Release Of Video Of Police Officer Shooting Black Teenager

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518541/brookins-demands-release-video-police-officers-shooting-black-teenager>

KEY MATERIAL:

The chairman of the City Council's Black Caucus on Tuesday demanded the release of a potentially incendiary video showing a Chicago Police officer firing 16 shots into the body of slain African-American teenager Laquan McDonald.

"I'm not worried about rioting or demonstrations. I need this to stop. If you don't show the video and this continues to happen, then we're still headed down that path. . . . It can help us also going forward to come up with policies and practices that will end this once and for all," Brookins said.

“There’s no plan to look at the video and I think that situation is outrageous. My understanding is, there’s one police officer who’s doing the shooting and several police officers standing [around]. . . . I don’t understand how this still happens . . . after countless numbers of police shootings, after [former police officer Anthony] Abbate [was] seen in a bar beating a bar maid. I don’t know why this stuff still happens.”

He added, “No matter how ugly the situations are, the public has a right to know. I will stand on your First Amendment rights to show that just like I will stand on a criminal defendant’s Fifth Amendment right to shut up.”

Title: Hundreds Protest Shootings By Police In Chicago and Nationwide

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Maudlyne Ihejirika

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/518961/hundreds-protest-police-brutality-chicago-nationwide>

KEY MATERIAL:

“There are supposed to be procedures before a police officer uses their gun, but now it seems like they use their gun first. . . . They don’t want the truth to come out in the Laquan McDonald case,” Richards maintained. “That was a cold, hideous execution, 16 shots, and they know if that tape ever gets out, this city will go up, and in court, they’d be looking at a hundred million.”

Title: Why The City Doesn’t Want Video of Laquan McDonald’s Shooting Released

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mary Mitchell

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/mary-mitchell/7/71/518878/laquan->

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KEY MATERIAL:

“I certainly expect that the officer will be indicted, and not just the officer, but any officer, supervisor or lieutenant who took part in covering this up and justifying what cannot be justified,” Neslund told me.

“This was an execution of a young man that should have been — and could have been — avoided,” he said.

“Chicago detectives went in [Burger King] the next morning without a warrant, and 86 minutes of surveillance footage from all the cameras within Burger King were removed from the computer’s hard drive,” Neslund alleged.

Title: City Council Approves \$5 Million Settlement Stemming From Fatal Police Shooting

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Fran Spielman

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/chicago-politics/7/71/520893/city-council-approves-5-million-settlement-stemming-fatal-police-shooting>

KEY MATERIAL:

Corporation Counsel Stephen Patton has promised to release the potentially incendiary video of the shooting at the appropriate time, but not while an “active federal and state criminal investigation” continues.

Title: Brown: Burge Reparations Won’t Erase “Stain On the History Of This City”

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Mark Brown

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/politics/7/71/522472/burge->

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KEY MATERIAL:

There also was no admission of wrongdoing in the McDonald case, although a \$5 million payout tells another story entirely.

Please note we hadn't heard a word about the Oct. 20 McDonald shooting before my colleague Mary Mitchell started writing about it in December. Most of you are well aware of this newspaper's role in the Koschman investigation.

Title: Chicago Council Approves \$5M Settlement In Police Shooting

Publication: Associated Press

Byline: N/A (though actually Don Babwin)

Published: April 14, 2015

<http://www.wbez.org/news/chicago-council-approves-5m-settlement-police-shooting-111871>

KEY MATERIAL:

None

Title: PCP Found In Body Of Teen Shot 16 Times By Chicago Cop

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Jeremy Gerner

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-police-shooting-16-shots-met-20150414-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

Patton said two officers found McDonald about a block from the trucking yard holding a knife in his right hand. McDonald ignored orders to drop the weapon and instead walked along 40th Street while one of the officers followed on foot and another in a marked squad car.

Since neither officer was armed with a Taser, one of them requested

that a dispatcher send another officer to the scene who had one, Patton said.

Title: Why Did A Chicago Cop Shoot Laquan McDonald?

Publication: Chicago Tribune

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/opinion/editorials/ct-police-shooting-video-edit-0416-20150415-story.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

City attorneys didn't want to gamble with a jury. Patton said video captured by a police cruiser's dashboard camera was crucial to that decision.

So let's see that video.

The still-unidentified officer hasn't been charged with a crime. Federal prosecutors confirmed they are investigating, along with the Cook County state's attorney. If charges are filed, a conviction would require proof beyond a reasonable doubt, a higher burden than for a civil case. Releasing the video wouldn't compromise that case.

Title: Chicago Pays \$5 Million To Family Of Black Teenager Killed By Officer

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Monica Davey

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/16/us/chicago-pays-5-million-to-family-of-black-teenager-killed-by-officer.html>

KEY MATERIAL:

The City Council here agreed on Wednesday to pay \$5 million to the family of a black teenager who was fatally shot by a Chicago police officer last fall, as federal and state prosecutors acknowledged that they were conducting a criminal investigation into the shooting.

The council's decision came swiftly and with no debate, even before a suit had been filed in the case by the family of Laquan McDonald, 17, who the police say was wielding a three-inch knife when an officer shot him 16 times on Oct. 20 on the city's Southwest Side. The authorities say a dashboard camera on a police squad car captured the confrontation, though the recording has not been made public.

Title: Chicago Approves \$5.25 Million For Police Cases

Publication: Reuters

Byline: Mary Wisniewski

Published: April 15, 2015

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/04/15/us-usa-chicago-police-lawsuits-idUSKBN0N619P20150415#Vg8p1e8xbxC27yrx.97>

KEY MATERIAL:

The U.S. Department of Justice and state authorities are investigating McDonald's death at a time of increased scrutiny of police conduct around the country, including the indictment last week of a South Carolina police officer on a murder charge in the death of an unarmed black man.

Title: Release The LaQuan McDonald Video

Publication: Chicago Sun-Times

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

<http://chicago.suntimes.com/editorials-opinion/7/71/538514/chicago-police-shooting-laquan-mcdonald-reparations>

KEY MATERIAL:

Every video of every police shooting should be made public, always, whether in North Charleston, South Carolina, or in Chicago, Illinois. Or why should anybody believe anybody? Why should anybody, to be blunt, assume anything but the worse about the police? Hide nothing. Deny nothing. And don't pretend the video cannot be

released because of an ongoing investigation. Nonsense.

Title: The Violent Legacy of Chicago's Police

Publication: New York Times

Byline: Editorial Board

Published: April 21, 2015

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/04/21/opinion/the-violent-legacy-of-chicagos-police.html?_r=0

KEY MATERIAL:

On the same day, in a separate case that is still fresh in the public's mind, the Council awarded \$5 million to the family of Laquan McDonald, a black teenager who was shot 16 times by a police officer in October. The shooting spawned a federal investigation, rattled public trust and raised troubling accusations of a police cover-up. The Council's decision to pay was made before a lawsuit was filed, but this cannot be the end of the case. The city needs to release a police dash-cam video of the shooting that it has withheld on grounds that releasing it might interfere with the federal investigation.

Title: Dark Days

Publication: The Economist

Byline: N/A

Published: April 25, 2015

<http://www.economist.com/news/united-states/21649503-citys-police-have-yet-put-their-murky-past-behind-them-dark-days>

KEY MATERIAL:

The police refuse to release a video of the shooting, saying the investigation is still going on. Many Chicagoans are unimpressed.

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3) In The News Today

- Laquan McDonald
 - Van Dyke in Court
 - CPD body cameras
- Demonstrations in response to Laquan McDonald
- Arrest Made in Tyshawn Lee case
- CTU Strike Vote

4) Most Recent Press Questions to MRE

1. None since press conference on Wednesday.

5) Sports Brief

- **Blackhawks – loss:** Lost to the L.A. Kings late Saturday.
 - Patrick Kane scored in his 19th consecutive game to set a new NHL record for the longest points streak by a U.S.-born player.
 - The Blackhawks led for most of the game until the Kings scored with about 6 minutes left in the 3rd period and again in overtime for the win.
 - They play the Minnesota Wild on Tuesday at 7:30 in Chicago.
- **Bears – win:** Beat the Green Bay Packers in Green Bay 17-13 on Thanksgiving Day.
 - The key play was a fourth quarter stop by the Bears defense on the final drive of the game.
 - They now have five victories in their last eight games and are heading into December with a chance at the playoffs.
 - The Bears are 5-6, and 3rd in the NFC North.
 - They place San Francisco on Sunday in Chicago.
- **Bulls – loss:** Lost to the Pacers 92 – 104 on Friday.
 - The Bulls are 9-5, and 4th in the Eastern Conference.
 - They play the Spurs on Monday in Chicago.
- **Phillips Academy – win:** Beat Altoft Catholic High School 51-7 in the state championship football game on Friday.
 - No Chicago Public Schools football team has won a state title previously.
 - Coach Troy McAllister and his Wildcats team had a perfect season and secured a spot in Illinois' sports history.

6) Talking Points

LAQUAN MCDONALD

Jason Van Dyke is in court today and the judge will be considering whether to grant him bail. Do you think he should receive bail?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Have you seen the video? What is your reaction? When did you watch it and why did it take so long?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Many people are saying that the \$5 million settlement with Laquan McDonald's family was hush money, designed to keep the case quiet and keep the video out of the public eye until after your election. Can you respond?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

- Here's our involvement

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

Are you expanding the CPD body camera program because of Laquan McDonald?

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

There have been many calls for you to fire Garry McCarthy – from Aldermen to state legislators to clergy and community leaders. You've faced pressure on this before, but nothing this strong. Is his job really safe?

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

Can you address the sentiment that the city and the police department dragged their feet on the investigation?

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

Why was there no working audio on any of the CPD dash cam videos? It is supposed to activate anytime emergency lights are activated.

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

Can you comment on the rumblings of a police cover up in this case? There is missing video from the nearby Burger King that would be evidence.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

What about the culture of the police department? You have officers, like Jason Van Dyke, with many complaints filed against them that often go unpunished. What are you telling the officers, and the city's residents, when the system doesn't seem to hold anyone accountable?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]
 - [REDACTED]

Can you talk about the political pressure Alvarez must be feeling right now, with an upcoming primary against two African American women who are already criticizing her handling of this case?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

If pushed:

- [REDACTED]

What plans are in place for demonstrations and protests following the release of this video? What have you learned from other instances of unrest following police shootings around the country?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

With protests going on this week, can you talk about concerns that have been raised recently about CPD's investigations into protesters' legal gatherings following the events in Ferguson? Are you aware of whether or not they have launched such an investigation this week?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

There's also a lawsuit into CPD's use of stingray cellphone tracking equipment. Can you talk about the use of that technology and whether it has been used in response to this week's protests?

- [REDACTED]

What did you hear from community leaders earlier this week? We heard from some who declined to meet with you, some who are frustrated with the Superintendent and some who said we may see riots like Ferguson and Baltimore.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Why the about face on releasing the video? Just a week earlier you made it clear that you would only release the video at the appropriate time.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

The delay of releasing the video has bred mistrust. Just this weekend Rev. Jackson said the city has been trying to suppress evidence to cover up this police shooting. How much worse has that delay made this situation?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Nothing in the law has prevented you from releasing the video, despite the fact that you keep leaning on that answer. So why wait?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Have you spoken to the McDonald family?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

Why hasn't the officer been fired? How do you explain to so many who see this as a lack of justice?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

There are reports that some are hoping this incident and what takes place over the next few days may be motivation for your to fire Supt. McCarthy. Can you talk about his status?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

PROTESTS IN RESPONSE

Can you comment on the demonstrations that have been going on throughout the city since last Wednesday?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

ARRESTS MADE IN TYSHAWN LEE MURDER CASE

What can you tell us about the arrests reportedly made in the murder of Tyshawn Lee?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

When do you expect to make more arrests in the case? Garry McCarthy said there are a number of others.

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

CTU STRIKE VOTE

Are you worried that CTU is going to vote to strike on Dec. 9?

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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Hundreds marching down the Magnificent Mile, turning back traffic, barring the glittering doors of commerce, in the name of two black boys.

Laquan McDonald, 17, allegedly executed by a Chicago police officer.

Tyshawn Lee, 9, allegedly executed by Chicago gang bangers.

Last week the Chicago City Council's Black Caucus stood on the 2nd floor of City Hall, angrily demanding accountability from "The Man" upstairs.

Hundreds of black folks marching, holding press conferences, issuing statements, angrily demanding reform.

They want heads. Police Supt. Garry McCarthy must resign, they exort. Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez must go. Mayor Rahm Emanuel, begone.

The murderers of Laquan and Tyshawn have stood in the well of justice. They will be prosecuted.

Yet, since at least the 1950s, blacks in Chicago have suffered and tolerated corruption, torture, brutality, denigration and discrimination from the police. Yet, for decades, black Chicago has been the victim of homegrown violence.

A few rolling heads won't stop that show. A federal investigation won't stop that show.

While the hundreds marched, hundreds of thousands of other black folks cowered in neighborhoods where guns and gangs reign supreme. They watch in resigned, bleary-eyed fear as their communities disintegrate.

If only the voices cried as loudly for them.

If only they could muster enough outrage to look in the mirror.

If only we would cry for the hundreds of Laquans and Tyshawns being murdered by their own.

As he announced the arrest of the thugs who allegedly executed Tyshawn Lee, McCarthy vowed the city's murderous gangs "are going to be obliterated." If only we would vow to work to end to the gang control of our own neighborhoods.

If only we would resolve to take back our streets and children from the home-grown gangs that terrorize old and young.

Black folks blocked the golden doors on the Magnificent Mile on Black Friday. Every other day we are down there, passing our precious bucks to the corporate retail behemoths.

If only we would "buy black," and patronize more African-American merchants, artisans, lawyers, doctors and entrepreneurs. If only we would shop in the retail strips of Chatham, Bronzeville and Lawndale, bringing our millions in buying power back home.

If only our fathers would take their young sons on their knee, and model of how to be a man. Pull your pants up, respect yourselves, eschew the street.

If only we would teach our little girls to reject a culture where the "b word" is a byword. Plan a family with a worthy and "present" partner.

If only we would register and vote in our formidable numbers.

If only we would deploy our blood-earned vote to fire elected officials who kowtow to political bosses.

If only we all — black, white, Latino and all — would count the \$500 million Chicago taxpayers have shilled out in lawsuits and settlements in the last decade.

This is not a black problem. If only we would all take responsibility for it.

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By Natasha Korecki (nkorecki@politico.com; @natashakorecki) with **Jesse Rifkin** (jrifkin@politico.com; @jesserifkin)

Good Monday morning, Illinois. A brutal holiday weekend put Chicago's dark side in the national spotlight. Questions of racial injustice, unspeakable violence and political corruption swirl around the city's public officials since the court-ordered release of a dashcam video showing Chicago police officer Jason Van Dyke fatally shooting 17-year-old Laquan McDonald.

On Friday, hundreds of demonstrators, led by Rev. Jesse Jackson, U.S. Rep. Bobby Rush, Chicago Teachers Union president Karen Lewis, SEIU Illinois president Tom Balanoff and others closed off the Magnificent Mile, disrupting traffic and blocking shoppers from entering businesses. In separate actions, activists closed off streets in the Loop and [carried a casket around City Hall](#) and protested Laquan McDonald's shooting and the gang murder of 9-year-old Tyshawn Lee.

SHOOTING FALLOUT -- It's Mayor Rahm Emanuel who's taken the brunt of the backlash over the McDonald video, both in traditional reports and on social media. Calls for Emanuel's resignation followed the video's release, as did calls of the same for Police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez. McCarthy on Friday said he had no intention of leaving.

Emanuel, meanwhile, has been noticeably out of pocket. The mayor's office announced no public events on his official schedule for several days now, including for Monday. On Sunday, (which also happens to be Emanuel's 56th birthday), the mayor's office released a photo of the mayor at a ribbon cutting at Washington Park. That was enough to light up the Twitter world, and #rahmchicago was trending for a time.

SECRET RIBBON CUTTING? @MaryAnnAhernNBC "Says he has no public schedule, then MRE releases this photo, secret park ribbon cutting #RahmChicago"

@MaryAnnAhernNBC " MRE hasn't been seen 5 days, protestors shut down Mich Ave, releases photo AFTER cutting park ribbon #RahmChicago"

-- **The mayor's office email** arrived in my inbox at 5:48 p.m. Sunday, apparently hours after the event, and was quite enthusiastic: "Mayor Cuts the Ribbon at Washington Park!"

-- **Emanuel** is [scheduled to take part](#) in a breakfast conversation with **POLITICO Illinois** on Wednesday morning (more details below). The mayor has said he's Paris-bound Thursday.

-- **Unrelated to the city**, University of Chicago canceled all classes today because of a shooting threat.

-- **On the state side**, the New York Times delved into Gov. Bruce Rauner's wealth, his top donors and what that means here and nationally. Rauner is still getting pushback over his Syrian refugee announcement and today's the deadline for filing petitions for state office. Will we see any signs of a [last-minute primary challenges](#) to Democrats?

STRIKE -- In a separate developing crisis, **NBC/5 reported Sunday night** that the Chicago Teachers' Union will take a **strike vote on Dec. 9** amid the threat of massive layoffs. From CTU President **Karen Lewis**: "We cannot blow up schools because you don't have any money. We have to figure out another way to do this." <http://bit.ly/1LHLukt>

-- **It's no wonder**, that it was CPS that paid for tens of thousands of pre-Black Friday protest march robocalls that went out Thanksgiving day and featured the Rev. Jesse Jackson's voice. <http://politi.co/1RfRfgm>

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BODY CAMS TO THE RESCUE -- **On Sunday**, the city announced it is considerably expanding the number of Chicago Police officers who will be outfitted with **body cameras**. It's a direct attempt to tamp down oversight questions within the department following the McDonald shooting. The shooting happened in October of 2014. Of course, the lack of a video wasn't the problem in the shooting. A lack of disclosure was one problem. The city fought its release until a judge ordered it to do so. Subsequent questions about the dashcam videos, including why they lacked audio, remain.

-- **"City to expand body camera program for Chicago Police officers," by the Chicago Sun-Times' Frank Main**: "The city will equip Chicago Police officers with 1,400 body cameras in a major expansion of a yearlong pilot program designed to boost oversight of cops as protesters have blasted the department for incidents such as an officer's videotaped killing of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald ... Since January, officers have been testing 30 body cameras in the Shakespeare District on the Northwest Side... Following a Sun-Times story last week that the slow-moving pilot program was showing promising results but was only expected to move into one more district in January, city officials have announced they will expand the program into six more police districts throughout Chicago by mid-2016." <http://bit.ly/21nG4XE>

-- **The Tribune Edit Board calls for an independent investigator**, dismissing notion this was one bad cop. **"Chicago needs an independent investigation of Laquan McDonald case," by the Chicago Tribune's Editorial Board:** "The more we learn, the worse it gets.

A judge's order to release video of the police shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald led quickly to a first-degree murder charge against the officer - and the revelation that actually, there were at least five videos. And the audio is messed up on all of them. And nobody can explain why.

-- **" The questions keep piling up:** ... What did the other officers at the scene do or say after the shooting? Who is responsible for the false narrative that was relayed to reporters at the scene?"

Cover-up questions -- "In his haste to close this sordid chapter and fast-forward to 'healing' the city, Mayor Rahm Emanuel has repeatedly framed this as the story of one bad actor who is being called to account for his actions. But this can't be filed away as the actions of a single rogue cop. It can't be chalked up as yet another example of dysfunctional police disciplinary process. This looks like an attempted cover-up." <http://trib.in/1YCfdVo>

FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO SHOP! -- "Some Black Friday shoppers balk at Laquan McDonald protests on Mag Mile," by the Chicago Tribune's Kim Janssen: "The new iPhones seemed tantalizingly within reach - separated from the cold, rainy street only by the spotless glass facade of the North Michigan Avenue Apple store, and a line of protesters, determined to keep would-be shoppers out."

THE QUOTE: "I'm an American!" hollered a woman in a red raincoat as she made a doomed attempt to force her way through the scrum of protesters. 'I just want to get in the store ... I just want to shop!'"

-- **"A phalanx of Apple employees** looked out on the chaos from the warmth of the store. A handful of customers jabbed fingers at iPads, seemingly oblivious... Similarly discordant scenes were repeated up and down Chicago's Magnificent Mile on Black Friday as hundreds of activists protesting the fatal shooting of Chicago teenager Laquan McDonald by a Chicago police officer attempted a Black Friday 'blackout' and to bring a halt to commerce on the busiest shopping day of the year." <http://trib.in/1MOAK7T>

SHOOTING THREAT AT UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO -- "U. of C. cancels Monday classes after threat to Hyde Park campus," by Chicago Tribune's Tony Briscoe: "Based on the FBI's assessment of this threat and recent tragic events at other campuses across the country, we have decided in consultation with federal and local law enforcement officials, to exercise caution by canceling all classes and activities on the Hyde Park campus through midnight on Monday," Zimmer said in the email. In response to the threat, the university will bolster the police and security presence on and around campus, including personnel with visible weapons as the university keeps in close contact with the FBI, which is continuing to investigate the threat, Zimmer said." <http://trib.in/1MYIC4y>

RAUNER, MONEY AND ILLINOIS POWER SHIFT -- The New York Times took a deep, sweeping look at how **Gov. Bruce Rauner's wealth** and that of his friends, helped propel him into the governor's mansion. It cites its own analysis showing that some of the same families who funded Rauner are among the small group doing the same thing around the country. The Sunday piece was at one point the top read story on the publication's site yesterday. **"A Wealthy Governor and His Friends Are Remaking Illinois," by the New York Times' Nicholas**

Confessore: "Mr. Griffin and a small group of rich supporters ... have poured tens of millions of dollars into the state, a concentration of political money without precedent in Illinois history ... **Their wealth has forcefully shifted the state's balance of power.**

-- "The **families remaking Illinois are among a small group around the country who have channeled their extraordinary wealth into political power**, taking advantage of regulatory, legal and cultural shifts that have carved new paths for infusing money into campaigns. Economic winners in an age of rising inequality, operating largely out of public view, they are reshaping government with fortunes so large as to defy the ordinary financial scale of politics. In the 2016 presidential race, a New York Times analysis found last month, just 158 families had provided nearly half of the early campaign money."

Thanks to Michael Ferro: "The Chicago Sun-Times reversed its no-endorsement policy to back Mr. Rauner, who was a part-owner of the paper before he ran for governor."

Unhappy electorate: "Despite voters' deep unhappiness with the direction of the state under Mr. Rauner's predecessor, they quickly soured on their new governor. Just [two months into his term](#), Mr. Rauner found that his job approval rate was **around 36 percent** ... The unexpected rift between Mr. Rauner and his constituents echoes a greater divide between the political views of the very wealthy and those of the broader public, one that has taken on new significance as the rich invest more time and money in politics.

Guess who ends up with all the money? -- " **Now, every month, Illinois falls even further behind on its bills. Illinois politicians, on the other hand, are flush as never before.** As of early November, Mr. Rauner and the state's new super PACs had a combined \$36 million available to spend. The state's 15 best-funded labor union PACs, along with campaign committees controlled by Democratic legislative leaders, had slightly more than half that, but are likely to put in millions more in the months ahead." <http://nyti.ms/1HyDpUy>

GUESS WHO DOESN'T -- "Illinois Issues: Budget Deal Will Bring Relief, But It Will Also Bring Cuts," by WUIS' Jamey Dunn: "Illinois is facing the very real possibility of going for more than half of the current fiscal year without a budget ... Over that same six months, court orders, consent decrees and the one budget bill Gov. Bruce Rauner did sign - funding for K-12 education - put the state on track to spend well above the revenue it's taking in ... Once a budget deal is finally struck, even if there are some new revenues - which seems likely either in the form of a tax increase, or sweeps from other state funds - there will also be cuts." <http://bit.ly/1QHov0X>

ENDORSEMENTS -- "Durbin Backs Duckworth," by WGBZ Radio's John Gregory: "U.S. Rep. Tammy Duckworth (D-Hoffman Estates), the first Democratic candidate to announce, has the backing of U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin. He says he respects everyone in the race, and the differences in opinion among top Democrats as to who the nominee should be to take on U.S. Sen. Mark Kirk." <http://bit.ly/1Pm83TH>

STANDOUTS -- "MADD announces 2015 Legislators of the Year," by Shaw Media's Heidi Litchfield: " **State Rep. John Anthony**, R-Joliet - along with **Rep. Barbara Wheeler**, R-Crystal Lake and **Ron Sandack**, R-Downer's Grove - were recognized in November by Mothers Against Drunk Driving for their work on a new law that requires the use of ignition interlocks for five years for all repeat offenders... House Bill 3533 was signed in August by Gov. Bruce Rauner and is set to go into effect Jan. 1." <http://bit.ly/1iIDbB0>

POT DOCS -- "In medical marijuana states, 'pot doctors' push boundaries," by the Associated Press' Carla K. Johnson: "The two marijuana-friendly doctors in states with similar laws face starkly different treatment by government regulators. When it comes to oversight of boundary-pushing doctors, enforcement practices vary in the 23 states allowing medical cannabis... Illinois has taken a tough posture." <http://apne.ws/1MOA7Lx>

MONEY ALREADY SPENT -- "Rauner faces challenges in Syrian refugee situation," by the Associated Press' John O'Connor: "An Associated Press analysis of state records shows that since 2012, Illinois has appropriated \$55 million in federal money for refugee services and spent \$33 million, or 60 percent of it ... Despite the fact that Rauner and legislative Democrats have been unable to agree on a budget for state spending, they did approve in August spending authority to free up billions of dollars in such federal 'pass-through' money, including for refugees." <http://bit.ly/1NCKu8I>

OUST ROGUE COPS -- "Monday Letters: Rewrite union contract to oust rogue cops," in the Chicago Sun-Times: "It's hard to know who is most guilty of political hypocrisy in this foul case, the mayor's office, the attorney general's office, or the Chicago aldermen, starting with Brookins and Sawyer. McCarthy serves with the mayor's approval, so the superintendent does not make a logical scapegoat, although his timing in firing cop Dante Servin now - months after backing him despite his having irresponsibly shot into a crowd killing an innocent woman - does raise eyebrows... Better they should all form a united front in rewriting the police contract that seems to pre-empt the prosecution of cops gone wrong. Chicago's civil society is at stake. Rogue police actions undermine the entire city." <http://bit.ly/111106e>

WHAT HILLARY CAN LEARN FROM CHICAGO PROTESTS -- "How the Chicago protests could roil the 2016 race," by the Washington Examiner's W. James Antle III: "Which lessons will Hillary Clinton learn more from, the success of her husband's Sister Souljah moments or the backlash against Emanuel? The forces that protested outside the 1968 Democratic convention and those inside the 1972 convention who captured the nomination for George McGovern arguably face less institutional resistance within the party than ever before ... What's unfolding in Chicago, like what happened in Ferguson this time last year, could also have implications for the Republican Party. A broad cross-section of the GOP, ranging from Christian conservatives to young libertarians, have embraced criminal justice reform and begun to turn against mandatory minimum sentences." <http://washex.am/1MYxCnR>

RELEASE A TAPE, LIGHT A TREE -- "After Sitting on Explosive Police Video for a Year, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel Actually Did This..." by the IJ Review's Joe Perticone and Justin Green: "Moments after releasing the year-old footage of officer Jason Van Dyke fatally shooting 17-year-old Laquan McDonald, Chicago mayor Rahm Emanuel darted off to the city's Christmas tree lighting ceremony ... The 102nd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony took place at Millennium Park ... Emanuel's move to attend the tree-lighting ceremony following the release of such jarring footage may seem callous, but it's not uncommon for politicians to dart off to previous engagements." <http://bit.ly/1YCeL9F>

"How Rahm Emanuel and Anita Alvarez Stole Thanksgiving," by Chicago Now's Todd Belcore: "MAYOR EMANUEL - He was smart enough to have this case settled on the civil side as soon as possible. He was 'smart enough' to ensure this video wasn't made available while he was in a fierce battle for re-election with Jesus 'Chuy' Garcia. He was smart enough to condemn the officer's deplorable acts and say the officer should be held accountable." <http://bit.ly/1NCKXYB>

BREAKING THE NEWS -- "Writer Tells How He Broke The Laquan McDonald Story," by WUIS' Maureen Foertsch McKinney: "Chicago writer Jamie Kalven focuses on patterns of police abuse and impunity in Chicago. He heard about an attempted cover up of the details in the fatal shooting of a 17-year-old wielding a knife ... Kalven, who is part of the Invisible Institute project in Chicago and describes himself as a human rights activist, broke the story for Slate. Once the city settled a \$5 million suit with McDonald's family, major Chicago media outlets picked up the story ... The institute describes itself as a journalistic production company that works to enhance the capacity of civil society to hold public institutions accountable."

<http://bit.ly/21nGyNg>

BUT NOT FIXING IT -- "Rahm Emanuel urged calm with no offer to fix Chicago's underlying problems," by The Guardian's Mikki Kendall: "Rahm Emanuel's disconnect from the feelings and concerns of his city's less privileged residents was glaringly obvious during Tuesday's press conference announcing the release of the video footage of Laquan McDonald's murder. Despite assertions that he had not seen the video until it was released publicly, he would have certainly seen the articles, read reports and known exactly why the state's attorney opted to charge officer Jason Van Dyke with first-degree murder ... It's nearly impossible to believe that with his access to every office he would choose a tactic of exhorting residents that 'it is fine to be passionate, but it is essential to remain peaceful.' This, without acknowledging the reality that the culture of Chicago's police force is deeply flawed." <http://bit.ly/1MOB7PP>

CHARGES DROPPED -- "McCarthy: Activist Malcolm London Hit Officer, Shouldn't Have Been Released," by DNainfo's Evan F. Moore: "As hundreds of protesters took to Michigan Avenue to protest shooting death of Laquan McDonald, Chicago Police Supt. Garry McCarthy defended his department - and said a prominent activist who was arrested Tuesday should not have been released... During a news conference announcing charges in the murder of 9-year-old Tyshawn Lee, McCarthy was asked about the arrest and subsequent release of activist Malcolm London." <http://dnainfo.com/1TfpaV3>

What they're saying on Laquan McDonald:

"Four hundred days behind on justice, for Laquan McDonald, and all," by Jesus 'Chuy' Garcia for Reboot Illinois: <http://bit.ly/1OyOzYT>

"Rahm Emanuel's Learning What Happens When You Ignore Half Of The City," by the Huffington Post's Lydia O'Connor: <http://huff.to/1TfpgvQ>

"McCarthy 'Astounded' By Officers' Handling Of Protests; Not Resigning Over Laquan McDonald Case," by CBS Chicago: <http://cbsloc.al/1loLhNT>

"After Police Shooting in Chicago, Calls for Emanuel to Resign," by U.S. News & World Report's Joseph P. Williams: <http://bit.ly/1SqZB38>

"Protesters disrupt Chicago shopping, ask feds to probe McDonald killing," by CNN's Michael Martinez: <http://cnn.it/1NhuUcv>

"Calls for Mayor's Resignation Flood Social Media Following Release of Laquan McDonald Video," by NBC Chicago's Colleen Connolly: <http://bit.ly/1Itr6n9>

"Rahm Emanuel is getting away with murder," by Dag Blog's Hal Ginsberg: <http://bit.ly/1HyG1S8>

"Hypocrisy: Democrats Criticize Trump but Not a Peep Against Emanuel," by eNews Park Forest's Steven Singer: <http://bit.ly/1liET5e>

"Chicago's Call for Peace Over Laquan McDonald Video Doesn't Extend to Police Dept." by Democracy Now's Amy Goodman: <http://bit.ly/1QOIPhO>

"Laquan McDonald's Death Is an Outrage... But the charges against his killer are a political triumph," by Slate's Leon Neyfakh: <http://slate.me/1Tfp2F4>

"Rahm could've been the hero in the McDonald shooting," by the Chicago Reader's Ben Joravsky <http://bit.ly/1LHsTFk>

-- "Republicans must save the cities," by the National Review's Kevin D. Williamson: <http://bit.ly/1Pm8T2R>

"Chicago shooting looks indefensible," by the News-Gazette Editorial Board: "Good police officers must be horrified by what's on the video ... Even to call it law enforcement gives it a patina of respectability that description does not deserve." <http://bit.ly/1Q77I5H>

FAREWELL TO AN ACE -- Kurt Erickson, a long-time Springfield scribe, is exiting the state to take on his next big reporting endeavor. We've linked more often to Erickson's stories than any other reporter since Illinois Playbook started in September to amass breakout stories from across the state. Erickson consistently churns out scoops because he knows where the bodies are buried -- and who buried them.

In his words -- "Reflecting on a front-row seat," by Lee Enterprises' Kurt Erickson: "Amidst all the changes and stops and starts, many things have stayed the same ... For one, there is House Speaker Michael Madigan. The man has been in charge of the House for all but one year since I've been around and was doing this long before I arrived ... Despite attempts to crack down on corruption with various laws and inspectors, the people Illinoisans elect continue breaking the rules... there is the Capitol building. It's been a destination of mine nearly every day for 20 years. And I still look around in awe as I walk in the copper-clad doors on the way to the press room ... In the coming days I'll be departing Illinois to cover a new beat. I am grateful to have had a front row seat at this circus. But it's time for a new act." <http://bit.ly/1QOkAzq>

POLITICO ILLINOIS LAUNCH -- Join us for POLITICO Illinois' launch event **on Dec. 2**. It will be a **breakfast** conversation with Mayor Rahm Emanuel, POLITICO's Chief White House Correspondent Mike Allen, and myself. Doors open at 8 a.m. Join us at the **Metropolitan Club in the Willis Tower**. **RSVP here:** <http://bit.ly/1WLn4gu>

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From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:52 AM
To: Guglielmi, Anthony
Cc: Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Media request from BBC re: Laquan McDonald investigation

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1. Lewin -- make sure they know this is solely about body cams and technology. Not LM.
2. What are the monthly numbers?

From: Guglielmi, Anthony <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:48 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Rountree, Janey
Subject: RE: Media request from BBC re: Laquan McDonald investigation

Also for today, Lewin is doing the body camera interviews that CBS and ABC wanted yesterday. We'll do prep shortly but he knows the stuff very well based on our earlier conversations

Can we get on a call to talk about these items...

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[REDACTED]

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From: Quinn, Kelley [Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:28 AM
To: Guglielmi, Anthony
Cc: Rountree, Janey
Subject: Re: Media request from BBC re: Laquan McDonald investigation

Do it

On Nov 30, 2015, at 8:28 AM, Guglielmi, Anthony
<Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org<mailto:Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>> wrote:

I'm going to send her the fact sheet and push back on burger King rumor, any heartburn?

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From: Jessica Lussenhop <Jessica.Lussenhop@bbc.co.uk<mailto:Jessica.Lussenhop@bbc.co.uk>>
Date: 11/30/2015 8:22 AM (GMT-06:00)
To: "Guglielmi, Anthony" <Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org<mailto:Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>>
Subject: RE: Media request from BBC re: Laquan McDonald investigation

Dear Director Guglielmi,
Hi, just following up on this request from Wednesday. As it turns out the story was held, so I have the rest of the day if there is anyone who can respond to this request for comment regarding the Laquan McDonald case. My original questions are below. Thanks for your time: 202-355-1727

Jessica

From: Jessica Lussenhop
Sent: 25 November 2015 10:24
To: 'Anthony.guglielmi@chicagopolice.org<mailto:Anthony.guglielmi@chicagopolice.org>'
Subject: Media request from BBC re: Laquan McDonald investigation

Dear Director Guglielmi,

My name is Jessica Lussenhop and I'm a reporter for the BBC based in Washington DC. I have several questions regarding the Laquan McDonald shooting that I was hoping to get response to.

The biggest and most general question is this: Is the Chicago Police Department doing any further inquiry or considering discipline for the other officers who were on the scene of the shooting and did not dispute or actively sought to support the incorrect narrative of the shooting that was initially released?

Secondarily, I was hoping to get response to the widespread report that a member of the Chicago Police Department destroyed evidence at a Burger King that may have captured video of the incident by deleting 86 minutes of footage. Did this occur or has any inquiry been made to find out if it occurred?

If this is better phrased as an opinion question, I would ask: Should other officers besides Jason Van Dyke face consequences either disciplinarily or legally over their actions surrounding the Laquan McDonald shooting?

Thanks for your time, my deadline is today. I'm available all day at: 202-355-1727 or 651-245-4218 (cell).

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To: Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Re: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

I have no idea what the sneak peek is -- but go for it.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:18 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Re: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

Only question is if I talk to him on background and he gets the sneak peek for tomorrow.

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

All,
Hinz is writing a column for midday saying someone -- in particular the Mayor -- needs to be the leader in the LM case. I pushed back on him hard and ran through the timeline with him to show him that CPD/IPRA followed their normal protocol, and we turned over the evidence in the case and did not hang on to it. He feels that the mayor could have called and pushed for the investigation to have been sped up, and I told him that we do not interfere with criminal investigations, which he understood, but felt that in a situation of this magnitude, he as mayor has the right to do so.

He would like to know if the mayor has any plans to call for an independent investigation, or policy changes that will show he is taking charge. Please see draft statement below:

DRAFT:

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To: Chief of Patrol Eddie Johnson; Deal, Joe; Laws, Lisa
Subject: Fw: Fwd: Cook County Commissioner Richard Boykin Office
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From: Martha Gooden <martha.gooden@fatherswhocare.org>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:38:43 AM
To: Rev. Walter Jones Servant; Jr. Mr. Walter Amir Jones
Subject: Fwd: Cook County Commissioner Richard Boykin Office

Immediate Release:

Please join Cook County Commissioner Richard R. Boykin, Rev. David Ford, Congressman Danny K. Davis, Alderman Chris Taliaferro 29th Ward, State Rep. Camille Lilly, West Side Black Elected Officials, Fathers Who Care, West Side Community Stakeholders, Youth Organizations, Community Leaders, Business Leaders, and Faith Based Leaders in a Community Discussion in regards to the Laquan McDonald video.

The conversation will be all about” WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE” as a community. We look forward to you attending this discussion and as always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me directly at [1-312-603-4566](tel:1-312-603-4566). Please see pertinent information below. I have also attached the flier for you to share with others in your network.

[Community Discussion in Response to the Laquan McDonald Video: Where Do We Go From Here](#)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST AT 6PM

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HOSTED BY: REV. DAVID FORD

Best,

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Presents:

***A Community Discussion:
Where Do We Go From Here?
Tuesday, December 1, 2015
6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.***

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Chicago, IL 60651**

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"The conviction to lead. The commitment to serve."



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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:57 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: RE: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

10-4. Working on a statement just in case.

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From: Ewing, Clothilde
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To: Spielfogel, David;Quinn, Kelley;Mitchell, Eileen;Rountree, Janey;Rendina, Michael;Patton, Stephen;Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: RE: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

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Here is an attempt at a statement as I don't think the former speaks enough to his commitment to lead on this.

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DRAFT:

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Kenneth

Subject: Re: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

Only question is if I talk to him on background and he gets the sneak peek for tomorrow.

From: Quinn, Kelley

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:16 AM

To: Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael; Patton, Stephen; Bennett, Kenneth

Subject: URGENT ON DEADLINE -- HINZ/LM

All,

Hinz is writing a column for midday saying someone -- in particular the Mayor -- needs to be the leader in the LM case. I pushed back on him hard and ran through the timeline with him to show him that CPD/IPRA followed their normal protocol, and we turned over the evidence in the case and did not hang on to it. He feels that the mayor could have called and pushed for the investigation to have been sped up, and I told him that we do not interfere with criminal investigations, which he understood, but felt that in a situation of this magnitude, he as mayor has the right to do so.

He would like to know if the mayor has any plans to call for an independent investigation, or policy changes that will show he is taking charge. Please see draft statement below:

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From: Rendina, Michael
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 11:51 AM
To: Spielfogel, David;Rountree, Janey;Mitchell, Eileen;Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: RE: ACTION NEEDED -- draft remarks
Attachments: CommissionStatement (2).docx_MRredits.docx

Some comments attached.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:59 AM
To: Rountree, Janey; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rendina, Michael
Subject: Re: ACTION NEEDED -- draft remarks

This is still current.

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 10:58 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rendina, Michael
Subject: RE: ACTION NEEDED -- draft remarks

Is this still the version I should review?

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:22 AM
To: Mitchell, Eileen; Ewing, Clothilde; Rountree, Janey; Rendina, Michael
Subject: ACTION NEEDED -- draft remarks

would be very helpful to have your red-lined edits to the attached draft so we can get him a draft today.
thanks.

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David Spielfogel
Office of the Mayor
312-744-2818 (o)

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:03 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Update_List;Rountree, Janey;Patton, Stephen
Subject: RE: Preckwinkle/Latino caucus

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From: Quinn, Kelley
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To: Ewing, Clothilde
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Subject: Re: Preckwinkle/Latino caucus

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 11:25 AM
To: Update_List; Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen
Subject: Preckwinkle/Latino caucus

Preckwinkle and some of the Latino Caucus today called for Anita to resign. TP also called for GFM to step down.

Cook Co Board Pres Preckwinkle calls for firing of Sup McCarthy and wants State's Atty Alvarez out [#LaquanMcDonald](#)



From: Huffman, Lauren
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 11:17 AM

To: Quinn, Kelley; Klinzman, Grant
Subject: RE: noon event

Wait--where is this presser being held
Lauren Huffman
City of Chicago

On Mon, Nov 30, 2015 at 9:08 AM -0800, "Klinzman, Grant"
<Grant.Klinzman@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

Mary Ann Ahern @MaryAnnAhernNBC 5m5 minutes ago

Latino Leaders call for Cook Co States Atty Anita
Alvarez to resign [#LaquanMcDonald](#)

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From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:26 AM
To: Huffman, Lauren; Quinn, Kelley
Subject: RE: noon event

Mary Ann Ahern @MaryAnnAhernNBC 1m1 minute ago

Still no public schedule for MRE, day 6 [#LaquanMcDonald](#) [#RahmChicago](#)

From: Huffman, Lauren
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:22 AM
To: Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Klinzman, Grant
Subject: noon event

There is only one way in, one way out. So we should prepare for him to get cornered. This also being
emceed by a NBC reporter—not Zoraida but getting the name from Skedvance now....

Lauren Huffman
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From: Klinzman, Grant
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:05 PM
To: Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: Re: FW: Preckwinkle/Latino caucus

Received thank you

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From: Emily Bittner <ebittner@cps.edu>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:06 PM
To: Ewing, Clothilde; Huffman, Lauren; Hayley Meadvin; Michael Passman; Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Wbez readout

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Becky Vevea and Tony Arnold

Why pensions?
Message - 20 for 20

What do you say to critics who say CPS is crying wolf again?
Can't go into deeper debt. Hammered \$1.1b deficit. One time fixes exhausted

How much of this problem is CPS needing to shrink?
Management - me - has to shrink organization. That doesn't engage in the classroom. Need labor partners to be part of the solution. MRE restore levy.

City has fewer children. What does CPS look like in 5, 10 years? What kind of right sizing do you need to do?
Never been better in terms of brightness of future. Birth rates. More parents than ever choosing CPS.

How much will budget shrink if we have 30k fewer students?
State underfunded education for decades. When it comes to taking poverty into account, dead last. Poor students get less than affluent children.

For last several yrs CPS has asked state for more money. It has t come through. What do you do to avoid these cuts?
Pension holidays exacerbate in the long run. Focus on 20 for 20 because it's fundamental issue of fairness.
We're not asking for a bailout. Must at least treat us equally. Argument very difficult to ignore.

Gov says this needs to be a two way partnership - restrictions on bargaining.
Battle between gov and leaders. Hopefully there will be a compromise, global solution and more revenue. If that doesn't work, carve out a solution for CPS - our children cannot wait.

Sb 318 - madigan opposes. What's your relationship with him like?
Wants poverty taken into account. Concerned about formula changes that underweight poverty. Hopefully we'll have funding formula that does. Simple equality, not a bailout.

State's track record on pension.
Did it first year, then walked away. State fully funding pensions in suburbs and downstate. Increased suburb/downstate funding by 40 percent cut Chicago by 10 percent

Gov and speaker seem willing to let bad things happen to government. Why should CPS be different from state of Illinois.
Not talking about a bailout. Dramatic inequity in funding.

For second semester, what are principals thinking?

Mid December we'll sit down and discuss to give them time to prepare and plan. Hoping January session will be fruitful so we don't have to execute cuts in February. We'll provide budgets for second semester - we don't know yet. If Springfield doesn't act, we have to be prepared to act. Additional unsustainable borrowing to the extent markets will allow it

How are cuts playing into the potential for a strike?

The answer isn't a strike it's a solution. All roads lead to Springfield and we need the focus for next 60 days to be in Springfield.

Will we have to merge schools, downsize? Places on the ground?

Third year of five year moratorium on closures. Recognize underutilization is an issue - will have some ideas on that in the not too distant future. Austin.

Could you give me a list of what plan A includes?

Real number is \$1.1b deficit. Have a \$3.9b budget of discretionary.

Minimum is equal funding. If state lays foundation, the grand bargain MRE laid out this summer, we need to do our part at CPS - cutting from management, fair teachers contract that bends the cost curve, restore the levy
Plan b - classroom cuts more unsustainable borrowing. Reached the limits of borrowing.

Plan c?

I don't want to think about that

Madigan doesn't see the state having a role in TRS. how do you get him on your side?

There's 1000 ways to get to equal funding. No district with such a high level of poverty should get \$3 for every \$4.

Other potential threats to your revenue stream - taxpayer money on private education?

Not aware of that. State's main responsibility needs to be funding at appropriate levels. Proration. EFAB.

When you took over, were you surprised state was prorating?

Yes. Shows degree in which the state has abandoned funding education at the level the constitution requires, let alone what would make a great state

If you're looking at Jan, and the speaker hasn't advanced anything what do you do then?

100 ways to do something. Foundational in the law is proportionate funding. 20 for 20 can be achieved in any number of ways.

The will just hasn't been there though. Your last pension payment.

Focus has been in the wrong place - sins of the past. Chicago child living in poverty attending a CPS school. State provides less resources to that child, lesser education. Indefensible system in any political environment. People of good will - leaders

Can CTU help people understand that?

I wish they would. It's sad CTU isn't fighting with us in Springfield. They should be fighting for the children their teachers teach. We need them to fight this injustice.

Tax rates and property taxes - should we get away from funding public schools with property taxes?

People made that argument for decades haven't gotten anywhere. Public education should be more progressive and a mix of taxes. That's up to elected officials.

Any suggestions of taxes?

I'm not elected - fight for kids. Above my pay grade. All kinds of solutions - all comes down to art of compromise to do what's right and fair for kids.

Laquan was a CPS student momentarily. Do you want to say anything about that video?

Horrific. There's a criminal justice process and hopefully it will be swift.

Gov campaigned on vouchers lifting cap on charters. If he does push on education policy changes, what would CPS role be and where does that leave CPS?

Message - funding education. Any expenditures on other initiatives that doesn't address inequity for us or other districts. Has to be addressed first.

Will principal meetings spur them to act?

I hope so. Uphill climb trying to convey message. It's indefensible.

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From: Chettiar, Inimai [chettiar@mercury.law.nyu.edu]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:07 PM
To: Mc Carthy, Garry F.
Subject:

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:12 PM
To: Rountree, Janey;Anthony.Guglielmi@chicagopolice.org

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To: Ewing, Clothilde;Klinzman, Grant
Subject: Re:

Thank you

From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:11:09 PM
To: Faulman, Mike; Klinzman, Grant
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Most updated

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From: Fields, Samantha
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:32 PM
To: Ituassu, Erika;Johnson, Robert;Beatty, Elizabeth(Beth)
Attachments: Document1 [Compatibility Mode].doc

Subject: Mayor's Update Briefing today re: Police Shooting of youth Laquan McDonald- Gregg Gaither-773.301.0291

Location: Mayor's Office 121 N.LaSalle suite 509- Ken Bennett's office

Start: Thu 12/3/2015 1:15 PM

End: Thu 12/3/2015 2:15 PM

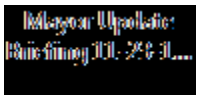
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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Collier, Laurie

Required Attendees: Bennett, Kenneth; ggaither1@illinoisalumni.org



From: Bennett, Kenneth
Sent: Friday, November 27, 2015 12:43 PM
To: Collier, Laurie
Subject: FW: Mayor Update 11-23-15

Thanks!

From: Gregory Gaither [<mailto:ggaither1@illinoisalumni.org>]
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 2:56 PM
To: Bennett, Kenneth
Subject: Mayor Update 11-23-15

Hi Ken,
How's everything going. Happy Holidays to you and family,
Thanks for invite to Mayor's Update Briefing today re: Police Shooting of youth Laquan McDonald.
I had anticipated there would be opportunity for feedback. So I had drafted a preliminary response for talking points.
Please see attached (1-page) talking points response.
Thanks,
Gregg Gaither
Mobile: 773 [REDACTED]

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From: Roussell
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:46 PM
To: 'Gary.Schenkel@cityofchicago.org'
Subject: Re: 1 in custody in threat at U. of C. linked to Laquan McDonald shooting

Thank you

From: Schenkel, Gary [mailto:Gary.Schenkel@cityofchicago.org]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:30 PM
To: Roussell, James M.
Subject: Fw: 1 in custody in threat at U. of C. linked to Laquan McDonald shooting

Great job. I'll call you later. Thank you sir.

From: Tribune Alert <chicagotribune@e.chicagotribune.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:29:18 PM
To: Schenkel, Gary
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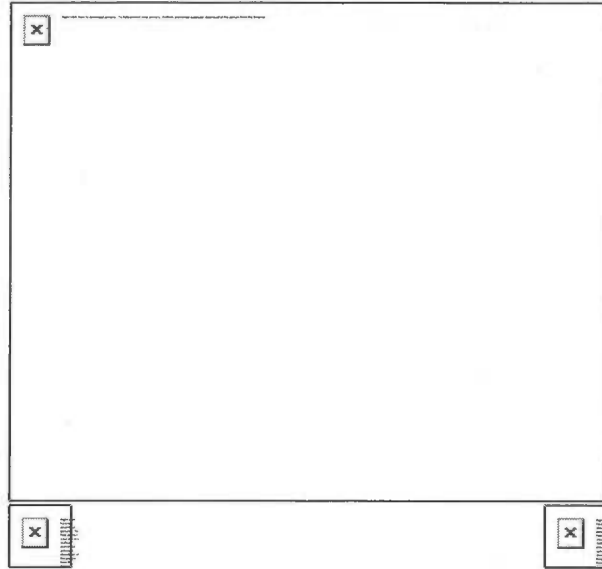


BREAKING NEWS ALERT

November 30, 2015

1 in custody in threat at U. of C. linked to Laquan McDonald shooting

An online threat to kill 16 white male students or staff in retaliation for the shooting of Laquan McDonald forced the University of Chicago to cancel classes and close its Hyde Park campus Monday, the Tribune has learned, and one person was taken into custody in connection with the threat to the campus.



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Yes, the federal investigation is ongoing.

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Anita.
TP called for both

From: Faulman, Mike
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:37 PM
To: Ewing, Clothilde; Klinzman, Grant
Subject: Re:

Did the latino caucus call for GFM or anita resignation?

From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:11:09 PM
To: Faulman, Mike; Klinzman, Grant
Subject: FW:

Most updated

From: Ewing, Clothilde
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 12:10 PM
To: Klinzman, Grant; Mitchell, Eileen; Quinn, Kelley (Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org); Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Patton, Stephen
Subject:

In the event that he is asked about TP or Latino caucus remarks about GFM and Anita, then guidance should not change much from this morning on GFM. Just spoke to David. [REDACTED]

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From: Spielman, Fran <fspielman@suntimes.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 1:52 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley;Collins, Adam;Guglielmi, Anthony;McCaffrey, Bill
Subject: foi request

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To: Kelley Quinn, Adam Collins, Bill McCaffrey, Anthony Guglielmi

1. Copies of all dashboard camera videos or any other video pertaining to the shooting death of Laquan McDonald.

The information requested above must be made available for inspection within seven working days of a written request. In addition, state law requires that "all records of the obligation, receipt and use of public funds" must be made available for public inspection upon 24 hrs. notice in writing. This letter constitutes such notice.

I expect release of the records covered by the Local Records Act within 24 hrs. and the remaining records within seven working days. If you determine that portions of the requested records in the latter group are exempt from release, please provide me with access to the remaining, non-exempt portions of the records within seven days.

If any portion of my request is denied, please list the specific exemptions under Exec. Order 83-1 on which you are relying to withhold the records and provide me with the name and address of the official to whom I may appeal.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please call me at 312-2258.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Fran Spielman

Chicago Sun-Times

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Fran Spielman

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From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:05 PM
To: Magana, Jasmine
Subject: pls print four copies please!
Attachments: CommissionStatement.docx; CommissionOverview.docx

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Office of the Mayor
312-744-2818 (o)

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:17 PM
To: Beatty, Elizabeth(Beth);Ituassu, Erika;Johnson, Robert
Subject: FW: Fact sheet
Attachments: Fact Sheet_Laquand McDonald_Nov. 23.pdf

FYI

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Monday, November 23, 2015 10:40 AM
To: Spielfogel, David; Collins, Adam; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael; Deal, Joe; Koch, Steven; Fields, Samantha; Watkins, Victoria; Rapelyea, Sean; Brown, Carole; Bennett, Kenneth; Harte, Meghan; Negron, Michael; Green, Melissa; Ewing, Clothilde; Quinn, Kelley
Cc: Hill, Kathleen; Iweagwu, Tony; Fischler, Matt; Swanson-Nystrom, Helena
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All:

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Thanks,
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From: Higgins, Jessica
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:22 PM
To: Kwiatkowski, Catherine;Rhee, Jamie;McIsaac, James;Rasmas, Chloe
Cc: Rodriguez, Carmen
Subject: RE: FOIA request Laquan contracts

Thanks Cathy. Let me know if there end up being any responsive docs.

Jessica Higgins
City of Chicago
121 N La Salle St., Room 509
312.744.6501

From: Kwiatkowski, Catherine
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:47 AM
To: Higgins, Jessica; Rhee, Jamie; McIsaac, James; Rasmas, Chloe
Cc: Rodriguez, Carmen
Subject: FW: FOIA request Laquan contracts

FYI

From: Matt Topic [<mailto:matt@loevy.com>]
Sent: Saturday, November 28, 2015 3:10 PM
To: LAWFOIA; MOFOIA; DPSFOIA; DOFFOIA; Eric Sandoval
Cc: Caroline Hirst
Subject: FOIA request Laquan contracts

Please send me pdfs of all legal, PR, media, political and any other kind of consulting or professional services contracts and invoices related to the Smith v. CPD suit for the Laquan McDonald videos or to FOIA or media requests by anyone for those videos or to the actual or possible or contemplated timing or circumstances of release of the videos. Do not redact anything unless exempt.

Matt Topic

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From: Fields, Samantha
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:39 PM
To: Levine, Jeffrey
Subject: FW: LaQuan McDonald Transcript
Attachments: Memo to Aldermen re Laquan McDonald settlement from 041315 COF Mtg.pdf

From: Murphy, Michelle [<mailto:Michelle.Murphy@committeeonfinance.org>]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:06 PM
To: Ward01; Ward02; Ward03; Ward04; Ward05; Ward06; Ward07; Ward08; Ward09; Ward10; Ward11; Ward12; Ward13; Ward14; WARD15; WARD16; Ward17; Ward18; Ward19; Ward20; Ward21; Ward22; Ward23; Ward24; Ward26; Ward27; Ward28; Ward29; Ward30; Ward32; Ward33; Ward34; Ward35; Ward36; Ward38; Ward39; Ward41; Ward42; Ward43; Ward44; Ward45; Ward46; Ward47; Ward48; Ward49; Ward50
Subject: LaQuan McDonald Transcript

Sorry, I forgot to attach the memo.

Michelle

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From: Ituassu, Erika
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:55 PM
To: Rory O'Brien (rory.obrien@chicagopolice.org); Roussell, James M.; Ando Scott; Rountree, Janey; Levine, Jeffrey; Notz, Jane
Cc: Fields, Samantha
Subject: Joint Hearing Public Safety/ Human Relations Committee Meeting
Attachments: Possible Joint Committee Questions.doc

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Thanks,

Erika

Erika Ribeiro Ituassu
LCGA, Legislative Counsel
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From: Roussell
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:16 PM
To: Welch Iii; Eddie L.; Tracy; Robert; Lewin; Jonathan H.; Klimas; Robert J.; Deenihan; Brendan D.; O'Neill; Donald J.; Jackson; Wynter; Conway; Karen A.; Guglielmi; Anthony
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Please see below. For preparation.

From: Ituassu, Erika [<mailto:Erika.Ituassu@cityofchicago.org>]
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 02:54 PM
To: O'Brien, Rory P.; Roussell, James M.; Ando, Scott; Rountree, Janey <Janey.Rountree@cityofchicago.org>; Levine, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Levine@cityofchicago.org>; Notz, Jane <Jane.Notz@cityofchicago.org>
Cc: Fields, Samantha <Samantha.Fields@cityofchicago.org>
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From: Guglielmi
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:19 PM
To: Escalante; John J.; Tracy; Robert
Subject: Fact sheet on Laquan McDonald shooting
Attachments: Fact Sheet_Laquan McDonald_Nov 24_ 4pm[1].pdf

Sirs,

Attached is the fact sheet City Hall and CPD used during the Laquan McDonald interviews

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Fact Sheet Regarding the Shooting of Laquan McDonald

Brief Facts and Timeline for the Incident and Investigation

- On October 20, 2014 at 41st and Pulaski, a Chicago police officer shot and killed a juvenile, Laquan McDonald, who was carrying a knife.
- The Independent Police Review Authority (IPRA), a civilian independent agency, is charged with investigating all officer-involved shootings. IPRA opened its investigation into this incident within hours of the shooting. Between Oct. 20 and Oct. 28, IPRA interviewed witnesses and collected evidence. On Oct. 29, the officer was stripped of his police powers.
- For every officer-involved shooting, IPRA sends the evidence to the Cook County State's Attorney so that state prosecutors can determine whether to pursue a criminal investigation. Several days after the incident, IPRA sent the evidence in this case, including the dash camera video, to the Cook County States Attorney's Office. The evidence was also later shared with the FBI and the Office of the U.S. Attorney as prosecutors initiated state and federal criminal investigation. Per standard practice, IPRA then suspended its administrative investigation so as not to interfere with the criminal investigation.
- On November 24, 2015, the Cook County States Attorney Anita Alvarez charged officer Van Dyke with first degree murder.
- That same day, the Chicago Police Department suspended him without pay.
- Once the criminal case has concluded, IPRA will resume and finish its administrative investigation.

Q&A

Q: Why wouldn't the city release the video?

A: The video is evidence in an active criminal investigation and a grand jury has been convened to determine whether criminal charges should be brought. We did not want to do anything that might interfere with the ongoing investigation. For example, releasing a video during a pending investigation has the potential to compromise eyewitness testimony because witnesses may adjust their testimony to fit what they or others perceive in the video. Not releasing evidence during an ongoing criminal investigation is consistent with the longstanding practice of federal, state and local law enforcement authorities. As we stated months ago, the City planned to release the video once the investigation had concluded.

Q: What is the status of IPRA's investigation into this incident?

A: IPRA started its investigation immediately after the shooting. After collecting evidence and interviewing witnesses, IPRA sent the evidence to state and federal prosecutors who initiated a

criminal investigation. Once the criminal investigation started, per standard practice, IPRA had to suspend its investigation so as not to interfere with the criminal proceedings.

Q: Why was the Chicago Police Department able to suspend this officer without pay?

A: The Chicago Police Department requires that officers be able to lawfully carry a firearm as a condition of their employment. After the Cook County State's Attorney charged Officer Van Dyke with first degree murder, the States Attorney revoked his Firearm Owner ID Card, making it clear that he can no longer lawfully carry a firearm. The officer was immediately suspended without pay.

Q: When an officer is not currently facing criminal charges, as is true for Officer Dante Servin, what is the process for terminating that officer's employment?

A: The Independent Police Review Authority is responsible for investigating all police-involved shooting incidents. When a criminal investigation emerges from the same incident, IPRA's investigation is placed on hold until the criminal investigation is complete. Once IPRA resumes its investigation, it may recommend an officer be terminated. At that point the Superintendent has 60 days to review the recommendation, and if he agrees, charges are filed with the Police Board. The Police Board will then hold a hearing and make a final determination.

From: Spielfogel, David
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:28 PM
To: Mitchell, Eileen;Ewing, Clothilde;Rountree, Janey;Rendina, Michael
Subject: revised docs.
Attachments: CommissionStatement.docx; TaskForceOverview.docx

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From: Escalante
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:51 PM
To: Guglielmi; Anthony
Subject: RE: Fact sheet on Laquan McDonald shooting

Ok Thanks

John J. Escalante
First Deputy Superintendent
Chicago Police Department

From: Guglielmi, Anthony
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:18 PM
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From: Dominguez, Patricia
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:52 PM
To: McGregor, Lorraine; Franklin, Liza; Platt, Thomas
Subject: RE: Assistance / Important

Thank you everyone!

From: McGregor, Lorraine
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:49 PM
To: Franklin, Liza; Dominguez, Patricia; Platt, Thomas
Subject: RE: Assistance / Important

Sure. I sent it to Glenn.

From: Franklin, Liza
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:42 PM
To: Dominguez, Patricia; Platt, Thomas; McGregor, Lorraine
Subject: RE: Assistance / Important

Lorraine, could you send the McDonald settlement docs to Patty? I thought you sent them to someone today, but I can't find that email to forward it.

Liza M. Franklin
Deputy Corporation Counsel
Federal Civil Rights Litigation
312-742-0170

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Got it. Thanks.

From: Franklin, Liza
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:38 PM
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Hi Liza and Tom,

A happy belated Thanksgiving to the both you!

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To: Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Fw: NBC Chicago request

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From: Connolly, Colleen (NBCUniversal) <ColleenM.Connolly@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 2:04 PM
To: Collins, Adam
Subject: NBC Chicago request

Hi Adam,

I hope you had a nice Thanksgiving. I'm wondering if you had a comment you can share concerning the lack of a public schedule for the mayor in the last six days. We have a story about it on our website, but it would be great to hear from the mayor's office as well.

<http://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/Mayor-Silent-After-Release-of-Laquan-McDonald-Shooting-Video-358892041.html>

Thank you,

Colleen Connolly

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 3:56 PM
To: Guglielmi, Anthony
Subject: Fw: MEDIA REQ: police body cameras

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From: Jared Morgan <jared@guns.com>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:44 AM
To: Collins, Adam
Subject: MEDIA REQ: police body cameras

Adam,

Happy Monday. I'm working on a story about the expansion of Chicago's body camera program and was wondering if you could tell me if it will help with the city's perceived transparency issues surrounding the Van Dyke case. If you can't speak to that specifically, please speak to the transparency question in general.

Also, I saw a release from Mayor Emanuel last week saying "today's decision" regarding Officer Servin. Was he fired? I know there was a recommendation from the superintendent, but I can't find news of any action. If so, why now? Does it have anything to do with the body camera expansion announcement and the Van Dyke case and the city's image and its damaged relationship with the community?

They're all happening at the same time.

Also, was the mayor's statement about Servin released after Van Dyke was charged and the dash cam video released?

My deadline is in 3 hours, if you can oblige. Call me if you need to.

Respectfully,

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Jared Morgan
Political Editor, Guns.com
424-245-0009



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From: Collins, Adam
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 4:01 PM
To: Merritt, Larry;Rountree, Janey
Cc: Quinn, Kelley
Subject: Re: FYI - CBS Field Producer Complaint

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Thanks. Looping in kelley, who is filling in for a couple days.

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Subject: Fw: Joint Hearing Public Safety/ Human Relations Committee Meeting

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Subject: some q and a for tomorrow
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To: Roussell; James M.
Cc: Price; Ralph M.
Subject: RE: Joint Hearing Public Safety/ Human Relations Committee Meeting
Attachments: Possible Joint Committee Questions- from MLAS.doc

Chief,

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 6:14 PM
To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: Stroom Notify Message

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City Ops/Oemc Exec/Group : There is a large group gathered at the Public Safety building @ 3510 S Michigan, per CPD about 150, regarding the Laquan McDonald case...as

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To: Silver, Steven; Hall, Abby; Magana, Jasmine; Spielfogel, David
Subject: Fw: remarks
Attachments: TaskForceStatement_SS2.docx

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Ewing, Clothilde <Clothilde.Ewing@cityofchicago.org>
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To: Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen; Rountree, Janey
Subject: Fw: remarks

I like this ending. You guys?

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From: Silver, Steven <Steven.Silver@cityofchicago.org>
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 6:17 PM
To: Ewing, Clothilde
Subject: RE: remarks

How about this?

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Feel like it needs one last sentence. [REDACTED]

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Need a couple of sentences to close this. [REDACTED]

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 7:18 PM
To: Spector, Stephen
Subject: Tomorrow's News

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MPO:

Announcement and press conference tomorrow morning.

CPD:

CBS/Mai Martinez: Interview w/ Supt McCarthy on police discipline process, calls for his resignation and rumors surrounding the Burger King video in the Laquan McDonald video.

CBS/ABC/NBC: Follow-up on CPD expansion of body worn camera program. Interviewed Deputy Chief Lewin on the new technology.

Tribune/Kim Jansen: Story on financial impact of Black Friday protests and complaints from merchants about CPD being too soft. CPD issued statement that we are committed ensuring protecting rights and holding people accountable.

CPS:

Likely everyone: Tomorrow CPS will release their final recommendations for 2015 School Actions Guidelines. These will allow CPS to approve consolidations supported by the community.

Catalyst/Melissa Sanchez: Story on a potential CTU vote on a strike next week. CPS gave a statement on how they are focused on a solution with Springfield, and not a strike. Story posted today.

WBEZ/Monica Eng: Story re: a petition and website that Roosevelt High School students have created where they are demanding better, fresher healthier food from Aramark. They claimed to have found a bug and blue plastic in their food and also that the fruit cups are frozen and food is out of date. CPS provided a statement saying how they are committed to providing schools with food programs to deliver nutritious meals to all students. Story posted today.

ST, BGA/Sarah Karp: Story on the District's challenges in hiring diverse teachers. She received the data from a FOIA request which included the demographic information of hires the past few years. There has been a decline in number of Latino and African American teachers being hired after the state revised the requirements for teachers on the basic skill test. Story posted this past weekend.

CCC:

AP/Sophia Tareen: Story on the Star Scholarship and the eligibility requirements. Reporter talked with Chancellor Hyman about who benefits from program, how eligibility requirements were created, and who scholarship is seeking to serve. Story appeared in AP today and got pick-up in 50+ outlets.

CDPH:

Likely everyone: Tomorrow, CDPH Commissioner Dr. Julie Morita will announce the findings of last year's STI Surveillance report, which includes continuous decline of HIV cases diagnosed in Chicago. She will do media availability in the morning at a Red Line station where she and the team will be handing out condoms/educational materials in observance of World Aids Day. The condom distribution underscores the new "Chicago Wears Condoms" campaign, designed by youth to improve HIV awareness and healthy lifestyles among Chicago's youth.

CDA:

Tribune/Hilkevitch and Sun Times/Rossi: Both are writing about CDA's announcement that reserved parking will be offered at O'Hare and Midway International Airports starting December 1.

CTA:

RedEye/Rianne Coale: Weekly column featuring "comical profiles" on the differences between bus and rail riders.

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To: Green, Melissa;Gonez, Manuel
Subject: Durbin statement on laquan mcdonald video

SPRINGFIELD—U.S. Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL) today released the following statement after the Chicago Police Department released footage from a dashcam video showing the shooting of 17 year-old Laquan McDonald. Officer Jason Van Dyke has been charged with first-degree murder for the shooting.

“The violence in this video is shocking and upsetting. Our law enforcement officers protect and serve their communities with honor and courage, but those who fail to follow the high standards they have sworn to uphold must be held accountable. There is a legal process underway and that process should move forward in a fair and expeditious manner. I urge all Chicagoans to face this tragedy with peaceful resolve and not with violence.”

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Agree

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New York Times

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To: McCaffrey, Bill;Platt, Thomas
Subject: FW: Mary Mitchell column

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Subject: Mary Mitchell column

Below is the Mitchell column on Ronald Johnson. She posted before DOL even had a chance to respond. This is the mother who held a press conference last week on the 5th floor about the case. Patton, if there's anything we can say on the record, we can try to get her to add it.

Mitchell: City blocking release of another police dashcam video

Written By Mary Mitchell Posted: 11/30/2015, 05:26pm

The mother of Ronald Johnson says the city of Chicago is trying to hide another dashcam video of an officer shooting a black man. | [File photo](#)

Is the city trying to hide another damning video of a Chicago police officer shooting an unarmed black man? The mother of Ronald Johnson thinks so. The 25-year-old black man was [fatally shot by a Chicago cop](#) a week before Laquan McDonald was shot 16 times by another officer.

Man shot to death by police in Washington Park - Chicago

A man was shot to death by a Chicago Police officer after he pointed a gun at police in the Washington Park neighborhood on the South Side early Sunday. About 12:35 a.m., Wentworth District tactical officers responded to a call of shots fired in the 5300 block of South King Drive, according to a statement ...

[Read more...](#)

"They are covering up. They have dashcam footage showing how my son was killed," Dorothy Holmes told me. The mother said she saw the graphic video and her son was not holding a weapon.

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To: McCaffrey, Bill
Subject: FW: ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL

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She reached out this afternoon and asked if there was actually a protective order on the tape -- that was all she said. [REDACTED]

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Do we have a response? When did she ask us? This is pretty straightforward in terms of response.

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From: Spielfogel, David
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To: Alcantara, Elias
Subject: fyi
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this is still draft and doesn't go till the morning, so pls keep tight hold. let's chat in the morning.

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looking right now unless it is too late.

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I don't know how to do Deval.

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To: Spielfogel, David
Subject: RE: Draft Press Release

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:12 PM
To: Klinzman, Grant; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Quinn, Kelley; Rendina, Michael; Rountree, Janey
Cc: Spector, Stephen
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Attached with my edit. Am I good to send this to Joe and Sergio for sign off? Janey, you'll handle the other three?

I don't know how to do Deval.

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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:54 PM
To: Quinn, Kelley; Spielfogel, David; Klinzman, Grant; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael
Cc: Spector, Stephen
Subject: Re: Draft Press Release

Sure

From: Quinn, Kelley
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:27:30 PM
To: Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Klinzman, Grant; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael
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do we have a final release to get vetted by folks?

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No - Randolph has never served in law enf and very important that he not be described that way. He was a public defender.

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To: cpdds3@sbcglobal.net
Subject: Fw: Draft Press Release
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Hiram,
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Best,
Janey

From: Rountree, Janey
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:21 PM
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To: Rountree, Janey;Klinzman, Grant;Ewing, Clothilde;Quinn, Kelley;Mitchell, Eileen;Rendina, Michael
Cc: Spector, Stephen
Subject: Re: Draft Press Release

yep. doing now.

From: Rountree, Janey
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To: Klinzman, Grant; Ewing, Clothilde; Quinn, Kelley; Spielfogel, David; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael
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Sent this to Lori, Randy and Hiram per David's earlier email. David, I assume you'll send to Sergio and Joe.

From: Klinzman, Grant
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[A draft that incorporates all edits is attached.](#)

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[My two cents – how about:](#) “ensure officers with multiple complaints are identified and evaluated appropriately”?

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To: Quinn, Kelley; Spielfogel, David; Rountree, Janey; Klinzman, Grant; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael
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My only question refers to the highlighted in the first paragraph. This sounds strange, but I understand the concept. Can we say "ensure officers with multiple complaints are flagged or evaluated appropriately? Or can we say "ensure detection of officers with repeated complaints and lose "early." If you are fine with one of the suggestions, we should change the language below as well.

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Hi Sergio. Attached is a draft release for tomorrow. Please let me know if you have any suggested edits.

See you at 1015. David

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David Spielfogel
Office of the Mayor
312-744-2818 (o)

From: Spielfogel, David
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Here is contact info for one of the ed board page editors
Andy rosental
2125561875
Andyr@nytimes.com

Perhaps you can call with Patton after emailing first.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

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I actually think this elevates higher than reaching out to the professor, who we can try to educate. I would absolutely call the NYT head of editorial pages and let them know this is absolutely false. Their first paragraph alone is filled with inaccuracies and makes claims that are unfounded. There is a criminal investigation bc of what we turned over. There is a timeline that backs that up and Steve's comments at council back in April are proof points on our openness about both the video and investigations. Kelley, do you have a contact?

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To: Rountree, Janey; Spector, Stephen; Ewing, Clothilde; Klinzman, Grant; Quinn, Kelley; Mitchell, Eileen; Rendina, Michael
Subject: Re: NYT: Cover-Up in Chicago

What's the best avenue?

From: Rountree, Janey
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As you all know, there are many factual inaccuracies in this. Should we do an OTR with the Times ed board like the one we did today? Worth calling this professor to walk him through the facts?

From: Spector, Stephen
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Subject: NYT: Cover-Up in Chicago

Cover-Up in Chicago

New York Times

Bernard E. Harcourt, a professor at Columbia, was a professor of law and political science at the University of Chicago from 2003 to 2014. He is the author, most recently, of "Exposed: Desire and Disobedience in the Digital Age."

THERE'S been a cover-up in Chicago. The city's leaders have now brought charges against a police officer, Jason Van Dyke, for the first-degree murder of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. But for more than a year, Chicago officials delayed the criminal process, and might well have postponed prosecution indefinitely, had it not been for a state court forcing their hand.

They prevented the public from viewing crucial incriminating evidence — first one police car's dashboard camera video; now, we learn, five such videos in total. And these senior officials turned a blind eye to the fact that 86 minutes of other video surveillance footage of the crime scene was unaccountably missing.

The Cook County prosecutor, Anita Alvarez, must have had probable cause to indict Officer Van Dyke for the Oct. 20, 2014, shooting death of Mr. McDonald the moment she viewed the police dash-cam video, after her office received it two weeks later. That video, in her own words, was “everything that it has been described to be by the news accounts. It is graphic. It is violent. It is chilling.”

Ms. Alvarez, and other city leaders, surely knew they would have to indict Mr. Van Dyke for murder as soon as the public saw that footage. “I have absolutely no doubt,” Ms. Alvarez finally said last week, “that this video will tear at the hearts of all Chicagoans.”

But the timing, in late 2014, was not good.

Then up for re-election, the mayor of Chicago, Rahm Emanuel, was looking ahead to a contested election on Feb. 24, 2015, which would ultimately result in a runoff election on April 7. In Ferguson, Mo., a grand jury was hearing testimony on the police shooting of Michael Brown. The video of Eric Garner being choked to death during an arrest in New York had gone viral. The Black Lives Matter movement was gaining momentum across the country.

The video of a police shooting like this in Chicago could have buried Mr. Emanuel’s chances for re-election. And it would likely have ended the career of the police superintendent, Garry F. McCarthy.

And so the wheels of justice virtually ground to a halt. Mayor Emanuel refused to make the dash-cam video public, going to court to prevent its release. The city argued that releasing the video would taint the investigation of the case, but even the attorney general of Illinois urged the city to make it available.

Then the city waited until April 15 — one week after Mr. Emanuel was re-elected — to get final approval of a pre-emptive \$5 million settlement with Mr. McDonald’s family, a settlement that had been substantially agreed upon weeks earlier. Still, the city’s lawyers made sure to include a clause that kept the dash-cam video confidential.

Around the time the freelance journalist Brandon Smith filed suit for release of the dash-cam video, on Aug. 5, 2015, the Chicago Police Department told him that it had already received, and rejected, 14 other Freedom of Information Act requests for the evidence. The city spent thousands of dollars in legal expenses to keep the video under wraps. And it would probably have continued to do so, had Judge Franklin Valderrama of the Cook County Circuit Court not ordered its release.

Meanwhile, the state’s prosecutor, Ms. Alvarez, concluded that there had been no evidence of tampering when police officers allegedly erased 86 minutes of video footage from Burger King surveillance cameras close to the location of Mr. McDonald’s shooting by Officer Van Dyke. The missing footage was from 9:13 to 10:39 p.m. — bracketing the time when Mr. McDonald was shot (around 9:50 p.m.).

City leaders did everything in their power to keep the homicide from the public as long as possible. Indeed, Mr. Van Dyke was indicted only after the forced release of the videos.

We can surmise that each had particular reasons. Mayor Emanuel was fighting for re-election in a tight race. Superintendent McCarthy wanted to keep his job. Ms. Alvarez needed the good will of the police union for her coming re-election campaign and probably wished to shield the police officers who bring her cases and testify in court.

None of that alters the fact that these actions have impeded the criminal justice system and, in the process, Chicago’s leaders allowed a first-degree murder suspect, now incarcerated pending bail, to remain free for over a year on the city’s payroll.

There is good reason to appoint an independent commission to investigate the conduct of these public servants. But frankly, at this point, who would trust Chicago's political institutions or criminal justice system?

An investigation would create further delay in justice and distract our attention from the real issues at hand: the senseless death of a 17-year-old, and the systemic problems of excessive police violence and lack of accountability.

Rather than hold hearings, investigate and perhaps prosecute its leaders, the city of Chicago needs to restore trust. These officials no longer have the public's confidence. They should resign.

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He is still going out tomorrow though.

On Nov 30, 2015, at 10:08 PM, Quinn, Kelley <Kelley.Quinn@cityofchicago.org> wrote:

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Editorial: McCarthy must go

WRITTEN BY SUN-TIMES EDITORIAL BOARD POSTED: 11/30/2015



Chicago Police Supt. Garry McCarthy and Mayor Rahm Emanuel talk about the Laquan McDonald shooting on Nov. 24, 2015. Brian Jackson/for the Chicago Sun-Times

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Chicago Police Supt. Garry McCarthy has lost the trust and support of much of Chicago, without which he cannot do his job.

Supt. McCarthy should resign. If he does not, Mayor Rahm Emanuel should fire him.

The Chicago Police Department is facing a historic crisis of mistrust, driven by stubbornly high rates of gun violence, recent revelations that officers are almost never disciplined for alleged misconduct, and the department's questionable handling of two inexcusable fatal shootings by officers.

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It was McCarthy's press office that, just hours after 17-year-old Laquan McDonald was killed by Officer Jason Van Dyke in October of last year, put out a conveniently false statement that McDonald — knife in hand — was approaching the police when he was shot. In reality, as revealed in a dashcam police video finally released last week, McDonald was walking away from the officers.

And it was McCarthy who declined for more than three years to take disciplinary action against another officer, Dante Servin, who while off-duty had shot wildly into a crowd, killing 22-year-old Rekia Boyd. Not until the day before the Laquan McDonald video was to be released — and City Hall was scrambling to build a little community good will in advance — did McCarthy announce he would fire Servin.

McCarthy, though, is hardly alone in all this. Mayor Emanuel shares responsibility, both for the city's failure to bring down the appalling number of gun shootings and its seemingly grudging efforts to hold cops such as Van Dyke and Servin accountable. It is also regrettable that Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez failed to criminally charge Van Dyke for more than a year, saying she had to wait for federal prosecutors to complete their own investigation.

Given the explosive nature of this case — McDonald was shot 16 times — the credibility of the entire police department was on the line. Alvarez should have moved faster, not waiting on the feds.

But in calling for McCarthy to step aside, we want to be clear we're not buying into every conspiracy theory. There is no sound evidence, most importantly, that Emanuel intentionally tried to hush up the McDonald case until after he was safely reelected. On the contrary, city lawyers say, McDonald's family first reached out to the city — not the other way around — on Feb. 27 to seek a quiet financial settlement. The final amount was \$5 million.

And while we believe City Hall should have released the dashcam video of McDonald much earlier in the interest of full transparency, the city's explanation for not doing so until last week — and only then under court order — is plausible. It is a hard-and-fast rule, lawyers for the city say, never to release this kind of evidence until criminal trials are completed so as not to taint the proceedings.

McCarthy's resignation is an essential first step for a city that must pursue new strategies to curtail gun violence and reform an unhealthy police culture of weak accountability. McCarthy has been superintendent for four years — longer than all but one of his predecessors. He has played his hand. It is time Mayor Emanuel brought in somebody new.

The Chicago Police Department requires fundamental reform. The problem is not “a few bad apples,” which is CPD's usual defense when confronted with a Servin or a Van Dyke. It is a systemic reluctance by police brass and the Independent Police Review Authority to hold officers accountable, as revealed in statistics and, quite likely, the department's handling of previous complaints against Van Dyke.

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This begs a haunting question. Would Laquan McDonald be alive today had the police department been more aggressive in holding Van Dyke accountable for his earlier alleged misconduct?

Further fueling our conviction that the Chicago Police Department under McCarthy has a bad habit of letting police misconduct slide is the example of Constantine G. “Dean” Andrews. For the last year, the veteran detective has been under investigation by city Inspector General Joe Ferguson for possible misconduct in a police investigation into the death of David Koschman, the young man who died in 2004 after being punched by a nephew of former Mayor Richard M. Daley.

McCarthy not only has never lifted a finger to discipline Andrews. Last month, the superintendent actually promoted Andrews to chief of detectives.

The minute the horrifying video of Laquan McDonald was released last week, protesters took to the streets, loudly but mostly peaceably, demanding McCarthy’s resignation and a more accountable police force.

Sounds right to us.

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Man shot near Albany Park Brown Line station

WRITTEN BY DANIEL BROWN POSTED: 11/30/2015, 06:29PM

A man was shot near an Albany Park neighborhood Brown Line station during Monday's evening rush hour, police said.

About 5:26 p.m., the 20-year-old man was shot in the head in the 4700 block of North Kimball Avenue. He was taken to Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center in critical condition, police said. The CTA's Kimball Brown Line station is located on the same block.

Additional information was not immediately available.

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Person shot in Wicker Park armed robbery

WRITTEN BY SUN-TIMES WIRE POSTED: 11/30/2015, 05:55AM

A male was shot in an armed robbery Wednesday night in the Wicker Park neighborhood on the North Side.

He was in the 1500 block of North Paulina at 11:41 p.m. when he was robbed and shot in the hand, according to Chicago Police.

The incident was one in a string of armed robberies on the North Side over Thanksgiving weekend.

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Two men were shot after exiting a store in Chicago Lawn

WRITTEN BY ALEXANDRA KUKULKA POSTED: 11/29/2015, 10:29PM

Two men were shot as they were leaving a store Sunday night in the Chicago Lawn neighborhood on the South Side.

At 8:40 p.m., the men, ages 49 and 32, were walking out of a store in the 6700 block of South Western Avenue when someone from the street shot at them, police said.

The 49-year-old man suffered a gunshot wound to the back, and the 32-year-old man suffered a gunshot wound to the groin. They were both taken to Holy Cross Hospital in good condition, police said.

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Man shot to death in Englewood

WRITTEN BY ALEXANDRA KUKULKA POSTED: 11/29/2015, 09:26PM

A man was fatally shot Sunday night in the Englewood neighborhood on the South Side.

Jimmy Jenkins, 28, was found unresponsive at 7:55 p.m. in a gangway in the 900 block of West 59th Street, according to Chicago Police and the Cook County medical examiner's office.

Jenkins, who lived in the 5900 block of South Morgan Street, had suffered multiple gunshot wounds and was pronounced dead at the scene at 8:16 p.m., authorities said.

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there's no way to get into mary's story? i think this is our standard video policy.

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Subject: Re: Mary Mitchell column

She reached out this afternoon and asked if there was actually a protective order on the tape -- that was all she said. [REDACTED]

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Subject: Re: Mary Mitchell column

Do we have a response? When did she ask us? This is pretty straightforward in terms of response.

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Subject: Mary Mitchell column

Below is the Mitchell column on Ronald Johnson. She posted before DOL even had a chance to respond. This is the mother who held a press conference last week on the 5th floor about the case. Patton, if there's anything we can say on the record, we can try to get her to add it.

Mitchell: City blocking release of another police dashcam video

Written By Mary Mitchell Posted: 11/30/2015, 05:26pm

The mother of Ronald Johnson says the city of Chicago is trying to hide another dashcam video of an officer shooting a black man. | [File photo](#)

Is the city trying to hide another damning video of a Chicago police officer shooting an unarmed black man?

The mother of Ronald Johnson thinks so. The 25-year-old black man was [fatally shot by a Chicago cop](#) a week before Laquan McDonald was shot 16 times by another officer.

Man shot to death by police in Washington Park - Chicago

A man was shot to death by a Chicago Police officer after he pointed a gun at police in the Washington Park neighborhood on the South Side early Sunday. About 12:35 a.m., Wentworth District tactical officers responded to a call of shots fired in the 5300 block of South King Drive, according to a statement ...

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“They are covering up. They have dashcam footage showing how my son was killed,” Dorothy Holmes told me. The mother said she saw the graphic video and her son was not holding a weapon.

“You see him running with his back turned toward an officer. Then you see another officer get out of his car and just start shooting him. They saw he had nothing in his hand. He was just running. How could you be fearing for your life if the person is running away?” she asked.

A spokesman for the city of Chicago did not respond to questions about the dashcam video.

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[Holmes filed a federal lawsuit last year](#) and says the Independent Police Review Authority, the agency that is supposed to investigate police-involved shootings, has failed to act.

Her attorney, Michael Oppenheimer, has scheduled a news conference for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in his downtown office to brief media on this case.

According to the attorney, the police officer fired five or six times, striking Johnson twice.

“Police said they found a gun in his right hand after he fell. We believe the police planted the gun. When you are running that fast and get shot, nothing is staying in your hand,” the lawyer said.

The Cook County medical examiner determined Johnson died of multiple gunshot wounds.

After the shooting, Pat Camden, a spokesman for the Fraternal Order of Police, gave media an account of what happened just as he did after McDonald was killed.

According to Camden, Johnson pointed a gun in the direction of the officers responding to a call of shots fired. According to Holmes, the video will prove that account to be false.

The city has gotten a “protective order” from a federal judge precluding Holmes’ attorney from releasing the video.

“We filed a Freedom of Information Act request and it was denied. We then filed a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit,” Oppenheimer said.

A federal judge is expected to rule on the release of this dashcam video on Dec. 10.

Meanwhile, Holmes’ has set up a Facebook page — [“Justice 4 RonnieMan”](#) — to rally supporters to this cause.

“I’ve met with people from IPRA, and they said they were going to look into the case. I haven’t heard nothing from nobody,” Holmes said.

“I keep hearing my son’s case is still an ongoing investigation, but how could that be true if you haven’t even talked to the officer and won’t release a dashcam video?”

“The city has sat on this thing for a year,” the lawyer said, “and they are fighting to keep it quiet. I don’t know how many videos are out there, but the city has gone out of its way to hide this again.”

It was a waste of effort for the city to thwart the release of the McDonald dashcam video. It would be plain foolish to use the same tactic in this case.

All Chicagoans should see what is happening with policing in predominantly black and brown neighborhoods. It is the surest way to real reform.

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Hey Laws, while the following isn't technically a protest, and it doesn't target "strategic assets", it's noteworthy b/c it will likely draw a large crowd and media attention.

This was sent to me, and moreover widely distributed in civic, religious and political circles to rally citizens from the greater westside.

See Attached:

Immediate Release:

Please join Cook County Commissioner Richard R. Boykin, Rev. David Ford, Congressman Danny K. Davis, Alderman Chris Taliaferro 29th Ward, State Rep. Camille Lilly, West Side Black Elected Officials, Fathers Who Care, West Side Community Stakeholders, Youth Organizations, Community Leaders, Business Leaders, and Faith Based Leaders in a Community Discussion in regards to the Laquan McDonald video.

The conversation will be all about" WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE" as a community. We look forward to you attending this discussion and as always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me directly at 1-312-603-4566. Please see pertinent information below. I have also attached the flier for you to share with others in your network.

Community Discussion in Response to the Laquan McDonald Video: Where Do We Go From Here

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1ST AT 6PM

CHRIST TABERNACLE M.B.C CHURCH
854 N. CENTRAL AVE. CHICAGO, IL

HOSTED BY: REV. DAVID FORD

Respectfully,

From: Laws, Lisa
Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 8:27:43 PM
To: Henry, Vance; Deal, Joe; Escareno, Rosa; Rapelyea, Sean; Hall, Abby; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Rendina, Michael; Harte, Meghan; Negron, Michael; Faulman, Mike; Bennett, Kenneth; Rountree, Janey; Watkins, Victoria
Subject: Re: Update Chain: Monday 11/30

Both groups have dispersed.

Currently there are no scheduled protests for tomorrow

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.

From: Henry, Vance

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 7:49 PM

To: Laws, Lisa; Deal, Joe; Escareno, Rosa; Rapelyea, Sean; Hall, Abby; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Rendina, Michael; Harte, Meghan; Negron, Michael; Faulman, Mike; Bennett, Kenneth; Rountree, Janey; Watkins, Victoria

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Hey Team,

Quick update, I'm just leaving protest at CPD HQ.

Following protest, I met with organizers and faith leaders and they informed me, participating churches, advocacy organizations and activist will be planning to host the next protest at City Hall in a week.

Good night, Team.

From: Laws, Lisa

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 7:12:09 PM

To: Deal, Joe; Escareno, Rosa; Rapelyea, Sean; Hall, Abby; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Rendina, Michael; Harte, Meghan; Negron, Michael; Faulman, Mike; Bennett, Kenneth; Rountree, Janey; Watkins, Victoria; Henry, Vance

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Currently monitoring ongoing protest at 3510 S Michigan.

Combination of two groups: one originating at 35th and King (approx 100 people), the other from a church in the 9th District (approx 100 people) for a total of 200.

Group 2 seems to be heading back to the church while Group 1 remains in place.

Will send updates when available, as well as any planned activity for tomorrow.

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From: Laws, Lisa

Sent: Monday, November 30, 2015 9:58 AM

To: Deal, Joe; Escareno, Rosa; Rapelyea, Sean; Hall, Abby; Quinn, Kelley; Ewing, Clothilde; Mitchell, Eileen; Spielfogel, David; Rendina, Michael; Harte, Meghan; Negron, Michael; Faulman, Mike; Bennett, Kenneth; Rountree, Janey; Watkins, Victoria; Henry, Vance

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Good Morning,

As Joe mentioned Saturday, we are monitoring the following two events for today.

Permitted Protest

- 1200 – 1400hrs City Hall 121 N LaSalle St City Hall. NAACP March for Police Reform.
 - Assembly: 1130hrs with a step off at 1200hrs
 - Line of March: North on LaSalle to Randolph, east on Randolph to Clark, south on Clark to Washington, west on Washington to LaSalle, north on LaSalle back to 121 N. LaSalle and then disband.
 - Approximately 100 people expected

Potential Protest

- 1800 – 1900hrs 3510 S Michigan Ave Chicago Police HQ

I will update the group should any other events arise.

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