

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Scott Graves

Via Email: sgraveslawoffice37@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Graves:

We understand that on or about April 1, 2022, you filed a complaint with the Gardner Joint Convention ("Convention"), alleging a violation of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25. The Convention is required to notify our office of the complaint and any remedial action taken to address the complaint. G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b); 940 CMR 29.05(5). Our office received notification and a response from the Convention on April 19, 2022.

Under the Open Meeting Law, a complaint is ripe for review by our office when the complainant files a copy of the initial complaint with the Division of Open Government, provided that at least 30 days have passed since that complaint was filed with the public body. G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b); 940 CMR 29.05(6). We sent you a letter on May 2, 2022 stating that if we did not receive the original complaint from you by June 16, 2022, we would presume the action taken by the Convention was sufficient and would close this file. Our office currently has no record of a complaint filed by you in this matter. Therefore, we now consider this matter closed.

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

Sincerely,

Natalie Arellano

Paralegal

Division of Open Government

Cc: Michael Nicholson, Mayor Gardner Joint Convention