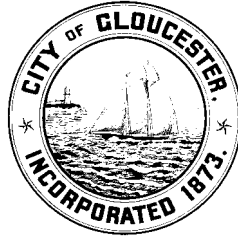


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GLOUCESTER MAYOR ROMEO THEKEN ANNOUNCES TERMINATION OF POLICE CHIEF LEONARD CAMPANELLO

(**Gloucester, Mass.**) October 3, 2016 -- Mayor Sefatia Romeo Theken notified Gloucester Police Chief Leonard Campanello today that the City has initiated the process to terminate his contract.

Last month, Chief Campanello was placed on administrative leave based on disturbing allegations brought to the Mayor's office regarding certain aspects of his relationships with women. This office takes any allegations of misconduct seriously, and began an investigation into these allegations.

During the investigation, it was discovered that Chief Campanello was purposefully misleading to investigators. The Mayor believes the Chief had tampered with evidence, specifically with respect to his city issued cell phone, which contained critical information concerning these allegations.

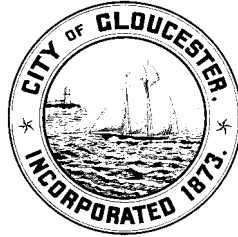
The Chief had previously told the City he had left his cell phone in his locked office at the Gloucester Police Department. When the City asked to retrieve the phone for the investigators, it was no longer at the station.

The attorney for Chief Campanello, Terrence Kennedy, informed the City that the cell phone and other items appeared at his office in Everett via overnight mail, with a return address of the Gloucester Police Department. The contents of any communications on the Chief's phone had been erased and had been tampered with.

During subsequent questioning, the Chief has suggested that someone within the department might have removed the phone without his permission. This implies that the office of the police chief was not secure, and the City passed on information to the Essex County District Attorney's office.

The results of the investigation into the envelope received by Terrence Kennedy shows that it was Chief Campanello himself who mailed the package from the Everett Post Office.

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It is clear that Chief Campanello's statements suggesting the theft from inside the police station were false.

The Mayor has lost confidence in Chief Campanello as a result of his actions, in destroying evidence contained on the cell phone and especially in deceiving the city by suggesting that other employees of the Gloucester Police Department had broken into his office.

As required by his contract, Campanello will be afforded an opportunity to present evidence at a hearing to be scheduled in the near future. Acting Chief John McCarthy will continue to lead the department at this time.

The residents of Gloucester remain the City's first priority. Audits into the Gloucester Police Department are ongoing, and the investigation into Sargeant Detective Sean Conners remains a personnel matter.

(ADDITIONAL MEDIA ATTACHED ON SEPARATE PAGE)

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PICTURED BELOW: ENVELOPE CONTAINING CHIEF CAMPANELLO'S PHONE, KEY TO OFFICE AND KEY FOB (SECURITY DEVICE) POSTMARKED AS SENT FROM EVERETT POST OFFICE ON SEPT 19TH 2016 WITH RETURN ADDRESS OF GLOUCESTER POLICE STATION & "FOPCC."



PICTURED BELOW: PHOTO OF ENVELOPE OBTAINED BY GLOUCESTER INVESTIGATING TEAM WHICH CONTAINED CHIEF CAMPANELLO'S CELL PHONE. PHONE WAS DISCOVERED TO BE TAMPERED WITH. FURTHER, THE ENVELOPE WAS SENT FROM THE EVERETT POST OFFICE WHICH LATER SHOWED CHIEF CAMPANELLO ON SURVEILLANCE VIDEO SENDING IT.




PICTURED BELOW: ENHANCED PHOTO OF POSTAGE INFORMATION SHOWCASING ORIGIN ZIP CODE



PICTURED BELOW: USPS Tracking Information.

Tracking Number: 9505510843386263020479

 **Delivered**

On Time
Updated Delivery Day: Tuesday, September 20, 2016

Product & Tracking Information

Postal Product: Priority Mail™ Features: Insured USPS Tracking®

DATE & TIME	STATUS OF ITEM	LOCATION
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Your item was delivered to an individual at the address at 10:10 am on September 20, 2016 in EVERETT, MA 02149.		
September 20, 2016 , 8:44 am	Out for Delivery	EVERETT, MA 02149
September 20, 2016 , 8:34 am	Sorting Complete	EVERETT, MA 02149
September 20, 2016 , 5:35 am	Arrived at Post Office	CHELSEA, MA 02150
September 20, 2016 , 3:57 am	Departed USPS Facility	BOSTON, MA 02205
September 19, 2016 , 11:29 pm	Arrived at USPS Facility	BOSTON, MA 02205
September 19, 2016 , 3:44 pm	Departed Post Office	EVERETT, MA 02149
September 19, 2016 , 11:00 am	Acceptance	EVERETT, MA 02149

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