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Charges against former officer Heaggan-Brown are the right call

Statement of Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II December 15, 2016

Given the new information about the police body camera footage of the shooting of Sylville Smith, I think there can be no question that the District Attorney's office made the right call today in issuing charges against former police officer Dominique Heaggan-Brown.

After what our community went through in the aftermath of the shooting, I hope that this is a significant step in the healing process for many. For Mr. Smith's family especially, I hope they find some comfort in knowing that the justice system is pursuing exactly what the family has demanded since this all began—justice.

We must remain diligent in our efforts to seek justice, and the filing of these charges serves as only a starting point.

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