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Press Release – Town Hall Scheduled

Following the investigation and legal analysis into the use of force used by Boulder Police Department Officer Bryan Pedigo, the District Attorney concluded that Officer Pedigo was legally justified in his use of physical force in response to the actions of John Fleming.

The review of this incident and the District Attorney's report is a result of Boulder County using a broader protocol for use-of-force reviews than that required by state law (which only requires it when injury/death results).

District Attorney Michael Dougherty stated, "These incidents are important to everyone involved and to our community. That's why our protocol is broader than that required by state law, which is limited to incidents involving shots fired by a police officer that results in injury or death. The review of incidents such as this one, and being transparent in our decision, is a priority for my office."

For that reason, DA Dougherty conducts a Community Town Hall after <u>every</u> officer-involved investigation in our continuing effort to be transparent and accessible, as well as address any questions. There are few, if any, jurisdictions in Colorado that conduct Community Town Halls after every officer-involved incident.

Join us for this virtual Town Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 9, 2023. Questions can be submitted in advance via email to boulderda@bouldercounty.gov. Community members are, also, able to call into the Town Hall by calling 720-400-7859, Conference ID# 888 592 015# or join the link at: bit.ly/BPDOISTownHall.

The District Attorney's detailed report can be found at https://bouldercounty.gov/district-attorney/officer-involved-shooting-decision-letters/.