

VAUGHT BEGINS DISCUSSIONS WITH DEVELOPER FOR CROSSFIRE IN 2013

David Vaught
[REDACTED]

December 13, 2013 at 10:47 AM
[REDACTED]



Potential range in Flower Mound

Stuart,
Please send over the contract for review. Assuming we move forward with your services, I would like to get you in contact with my commercial real estate broker. I just had a meeting with him and one of his partners and they feel it would be beneficial to speak with you as soon as possible if we want to open doors in 12-18 months.

Regards,
David Vaught

On Dec 18, 2013, at 9:27 AM, Hobbs, Scott @ Dallas wrote:

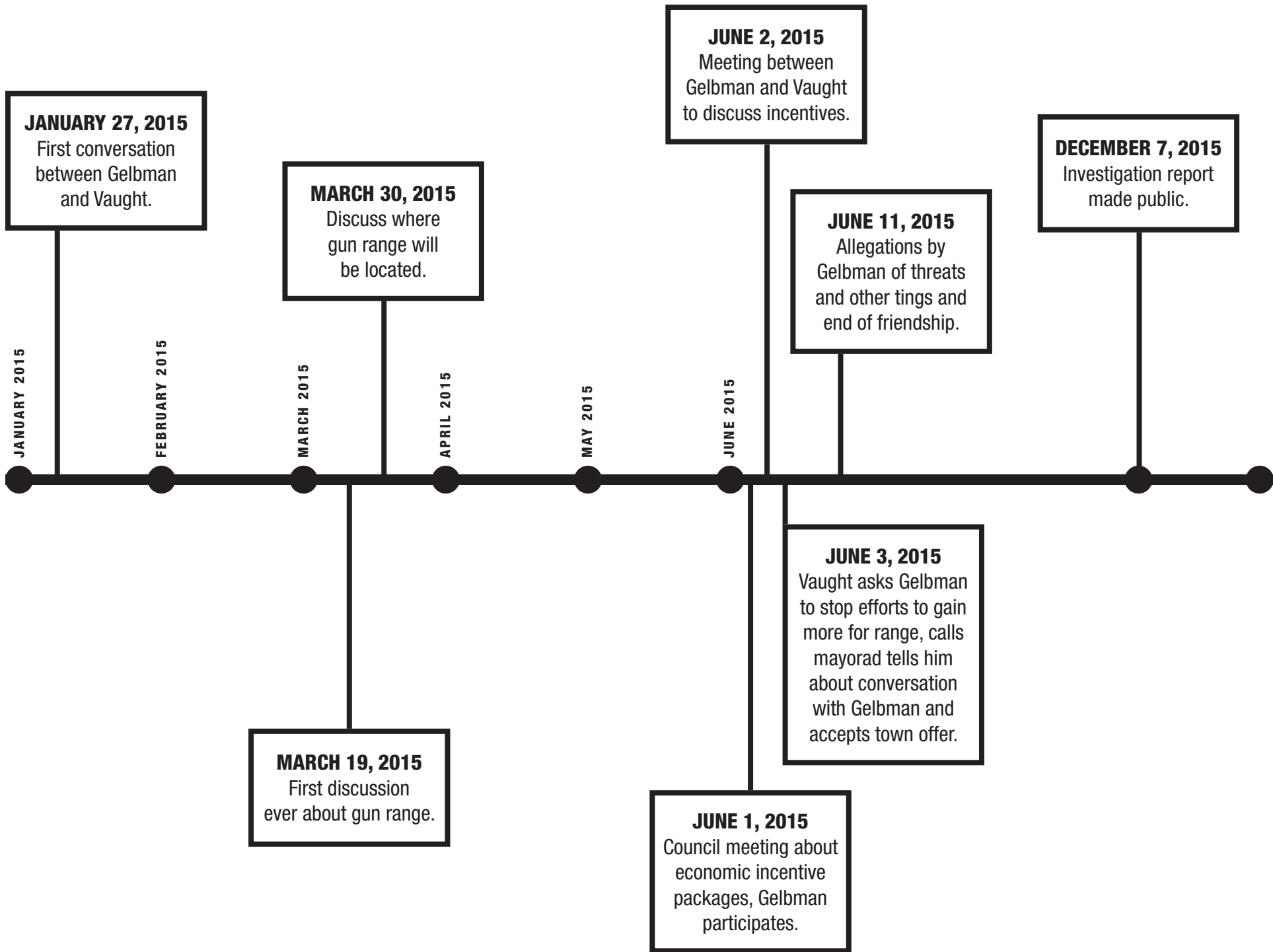
David,

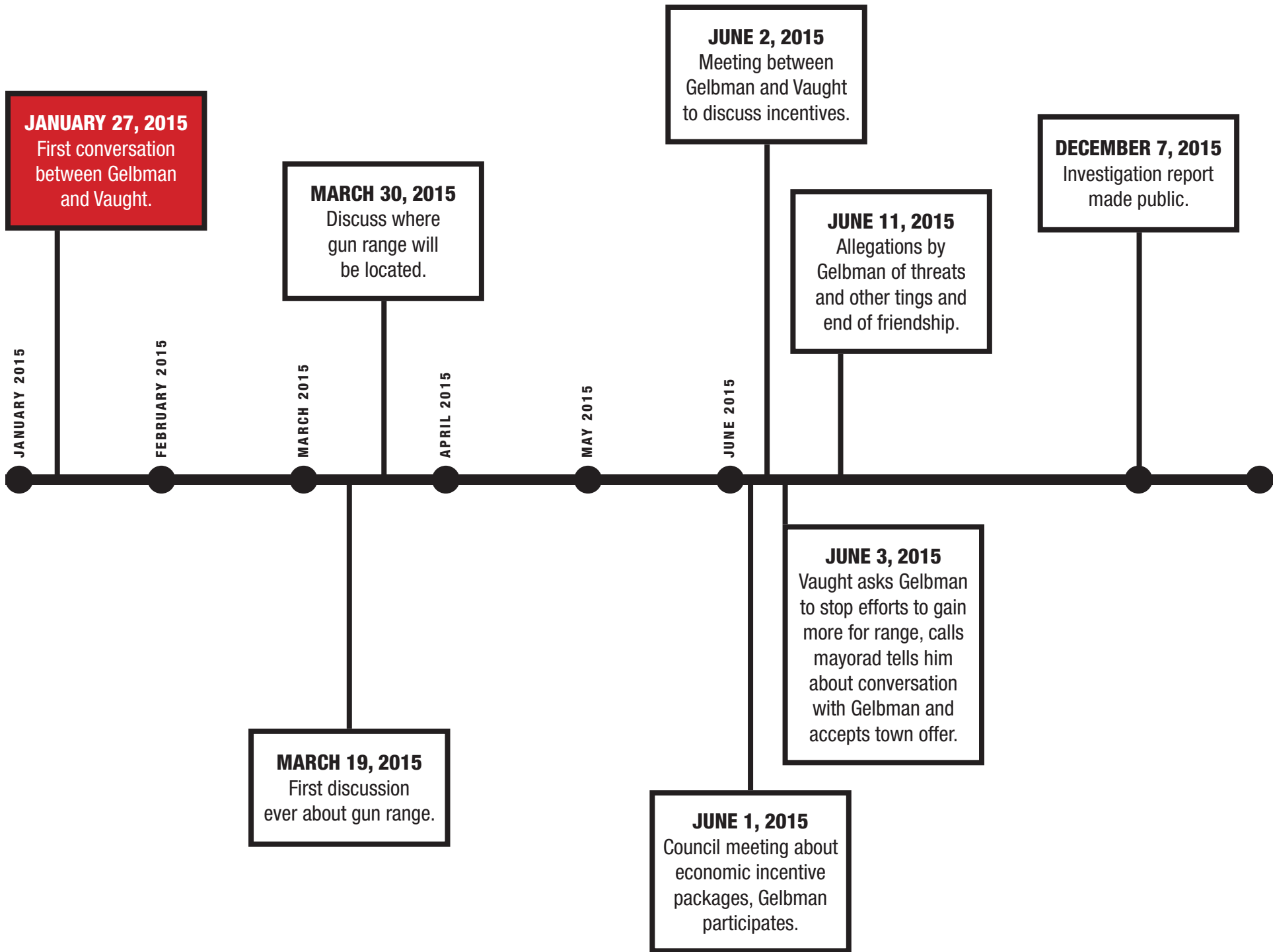
We've been compiling information for the real estate piece.

How are you coming with your agreement with [REDACTED]

Also, what are you gonna call this beast? Once you give it a name...it takes on life. So what's it gonna be? Regardless, I can't wait to see the graphic art behind it. Ryan and I want a t-shirt and ball cap with the logo!

[REDACTED]
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2100 McKinney Ave. | Suite 700
Dallas, TX 75201





FIRST CONVERSATION BETWEEN GELBMAN AND VAUGHT, ONLINE OR OTHERWISE



32 mutual friends including [REDACTED]

Conversation started January 27



-Itamar Gelbman

1/27, 7:07pm

Howdy David

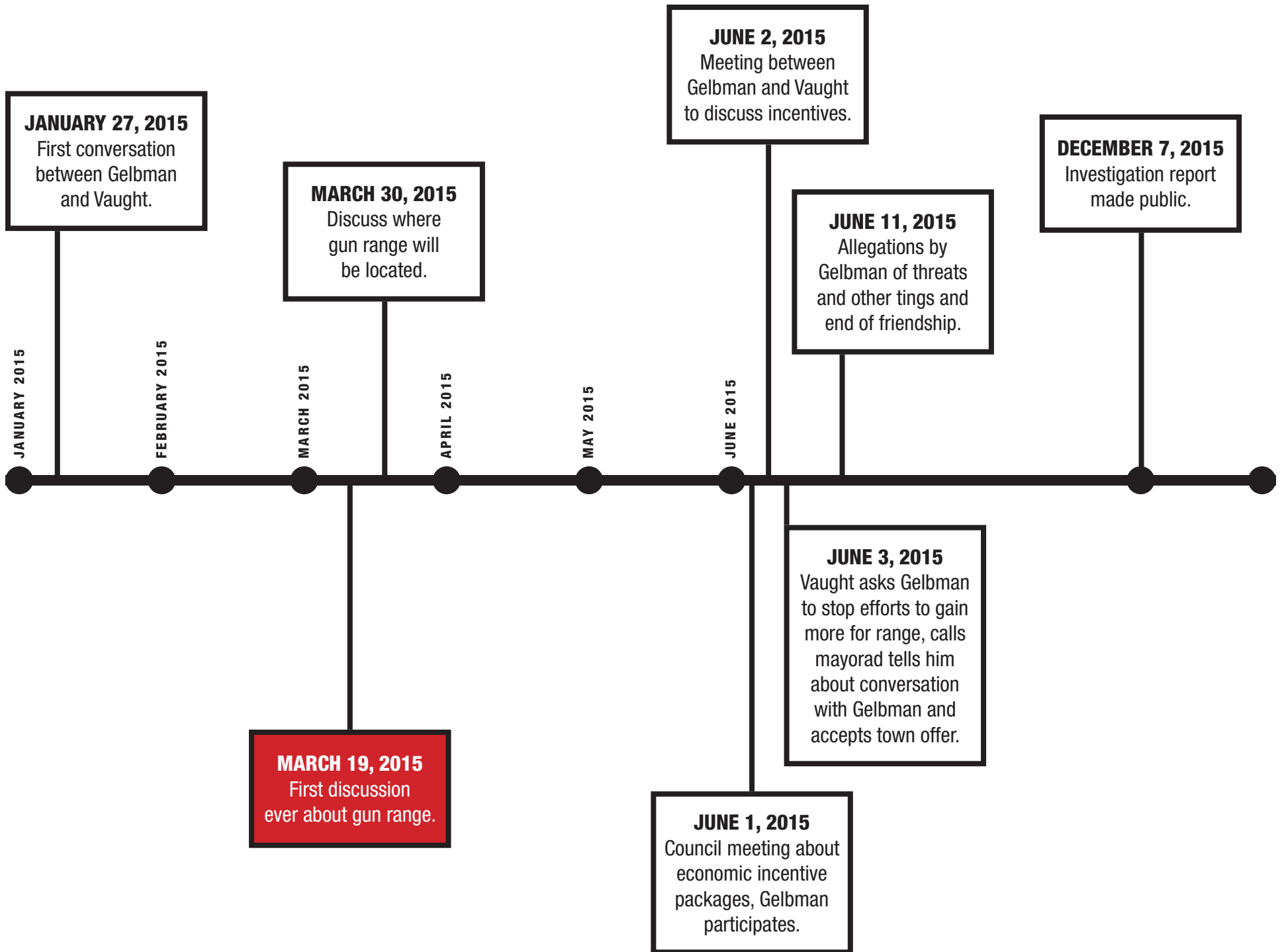
regarding your question, I am Conservative



David Vaught

1/27, 7:09pm

I did some reading and came to that conclusion. Looking forward to meeting you one of these days. As far as what I can see, we have a lot in common and you've got my support for council.



VAUGHT TELLS GELBMAN ABOUT PLANS TO BUILD GUN RANGE IN FLOWER MOUND

March 19



David Vaught

3/19, 6:47pm

I am opening a gun range. Just not public knowledge yet. 😊

March 19



-Itamar Gelbman

3/19, 10:20pm

If there is room for a partner, I would like to talk more about it with you... it has been a dream of mine



David Vaught

3/19, 10:59pm

We should grab coffee. I have been working with my developer for about a year now. Would like to tell you more about it.



-Itamar Gelbman

3/19, 11:07pm

awesome... I have tried to open one in L.A and have tried to buy existing ones here, including buying land in Ellis county for outdoor stuff... nothing went through

GELBMAN WAS UNTRUTHFUL UNDER OATH ABOUT HOW RANGE WAS FIRST DISCUSSED

Mr. Gelbman did not mistake or have a different interpretation of how he and Vaught first became acquainted. He fabricated a story in his head and was untruthful with the investigator under oath. This is verified by the messages sent to Gelbman on March 19, 2015.

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1 Q. You mentioned David Vaught. When did
2 you first become acquainted with Mr. Vaught?

3 A. I met him in school events last year, I
4 believe, but I just recognize his face. I don't
5 know -- I don't believe I ever knew his name.
6 And then, I want to say -- I want to say maybe
7 late of last year or earlier this year, we became
8 friends. And it was mostly because we chatted a
9 little bit on Facebook and then I put a comment
10 on social media that I'm looking for people if
11 they want to open shooting range with me in
12 Flower Mound.

13 And then he e-mailed me -- or he
14 contacted me. Sorry. Because I couldn't find
15 any e-mails about it. He contacted me and said,
16 "Hey, please don't continue discussing it. Let's
17 meet, and I can tell you what -- why."

18 So I want to say it was either late
19 of last year or early, very early of this year.

20 Q. Okay. I want to make sure that I
21 understand that. You put a comment on Facebook
22 that you were interested in opening a gun range

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So I want to say it was either late
19 of last year or early, very early of this year.

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Q. Okay. I want to make sure that I

21

understand that. You put a comment on Facebook

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that you were interested in opening a gun range.

23

Is that correct?

24

A. Correct.

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Q. Okay. And a response to that Facebook

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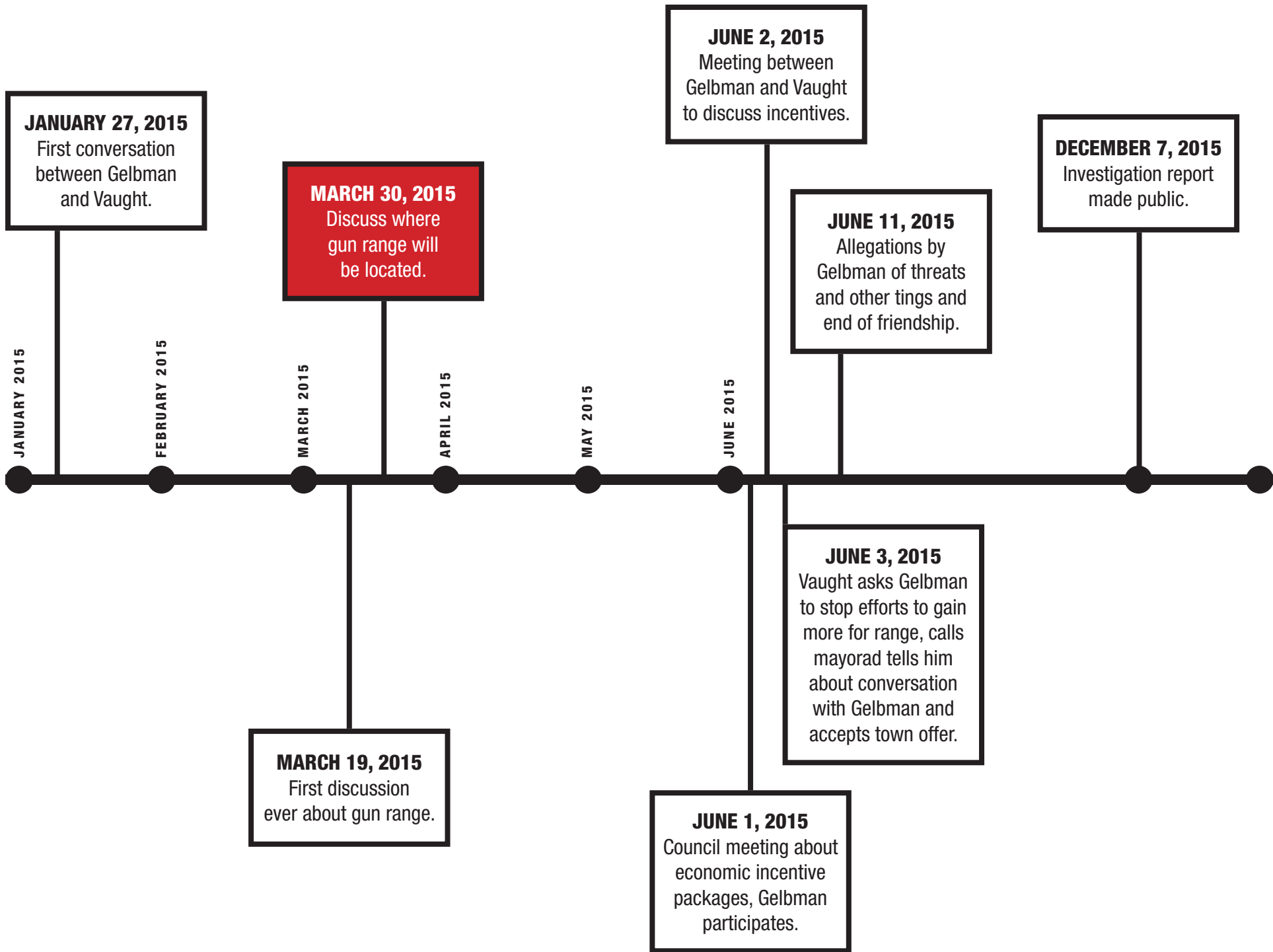
1 comment Mr. Vaught contacted you?

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A. Correct. And that's how we became

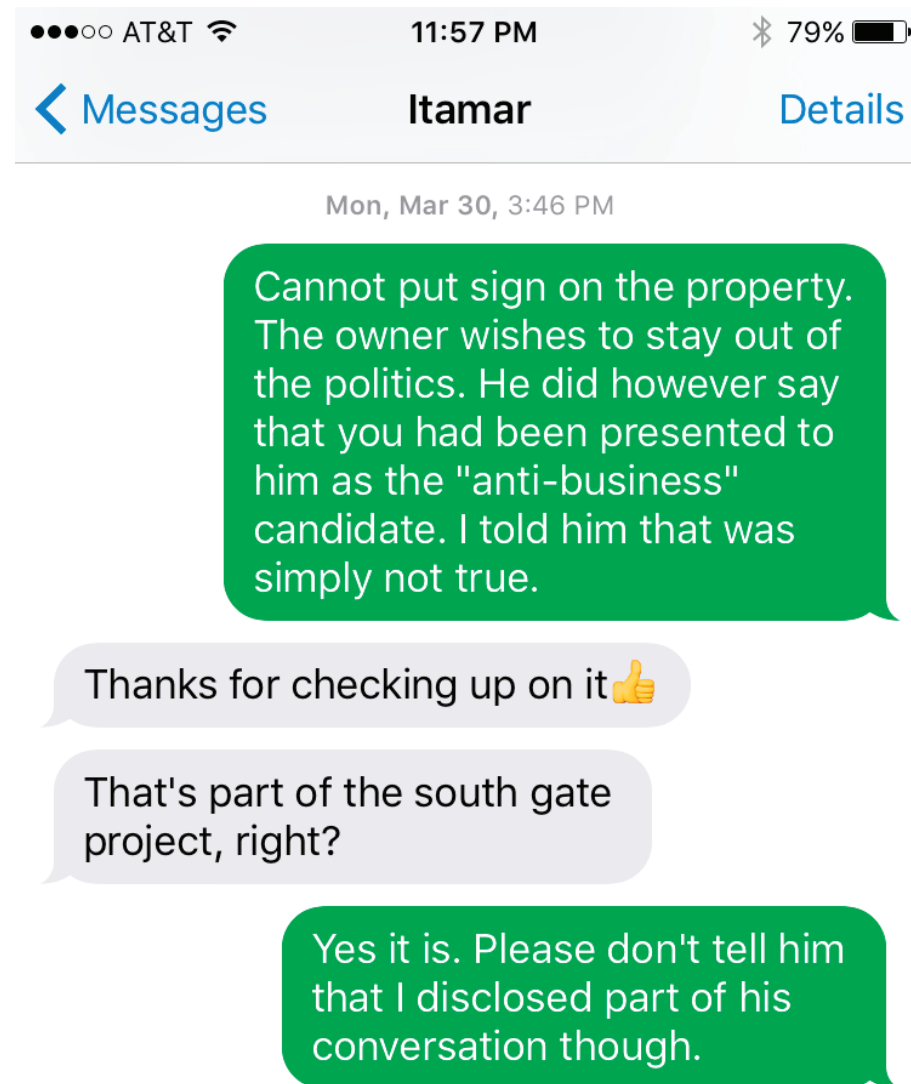
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friends outside social media.



GELBMAN UNDER OATH CLAIMS HE DOES NOT KNOW LOCATION OF RANGE

Under oath, Mr. Gelbman claims he did not know where the range was going to be located. In March, he asked if he could place a 4x4 sign on the property. This is verified by text message sent to Gelbman on March 30, 2015 and his response confirming location.



GELBMAN UNDER OATH CLAIMS HE DOES NOT KNOW LOCATION OF RANGE

Under oath, Mr. Gelbman claims he did not know where the range was going to be located. In March, he asked if he could place a 4x4 sign on the property. This is verified by text message sent to Gelbman on March 30, 2015 and his response confirming location. Furthermore he is so confused by his own tangled mess that he can't even keep his story straight. P-40, L-18 vs P-42, L-9 and 13.

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11 A. You asked if he supported me. Right?

12 Q. Yes. Yes.

13 A. Yes and no. He kind of spoke in both,
14 you know, both side of the stick. He would go
15 against my voting record on the P & Z.

16 He was mad at me for -- for voting
17 no on south gate, which after the fact, I
18 realized that that's where the shooting range is
19 going to be.

20 Q. So he didn't tell you what the location
21 of the shooting range was going to be --

22 A. No.

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2 A. And I never knew his location for his
3 shooting range up until -- up until probably one
4 of our last conversations about it and that was

24 Q. You said at one point, you realized that
25 his shooting range was going to be in the south

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1 gate development. Correct?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. When was that?

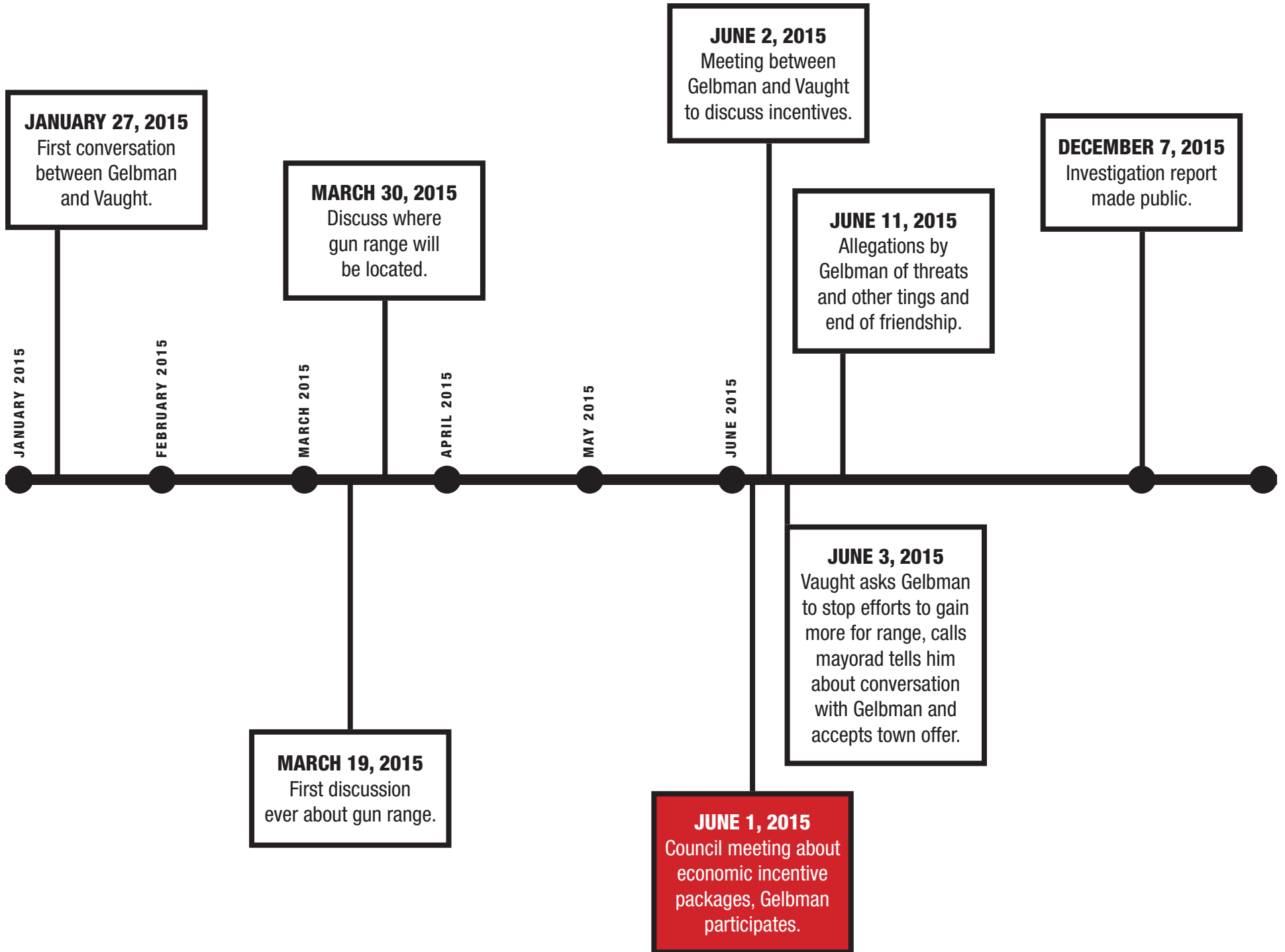
4 A. I don't remember when it was. I really
5 don't.

6 Q. Can you give me a general idea such as,
7 was it before or after you were sworn in as a
8 Council member?

9 A. I believe it was after. I believe that,
10 again, I just don't remember the dates.

11 Q. Was it before or after he gave you the
12 pro forma?

13 A. Definitely after, I believe. I believe.



GELBMAN MISREPRESENTS HIMSELF UNDER OATH ABOUT EXECUTIVE SESSION DETAILS

Under oath, Mr. Gelbman says he did not participate in discussions about range incentives in Executive Session. Council members and town staff have stated that Gelbman was involved in those discussions. That he actively tried to seek more incentives for the range and that he continued to do so the following day with the town manager.

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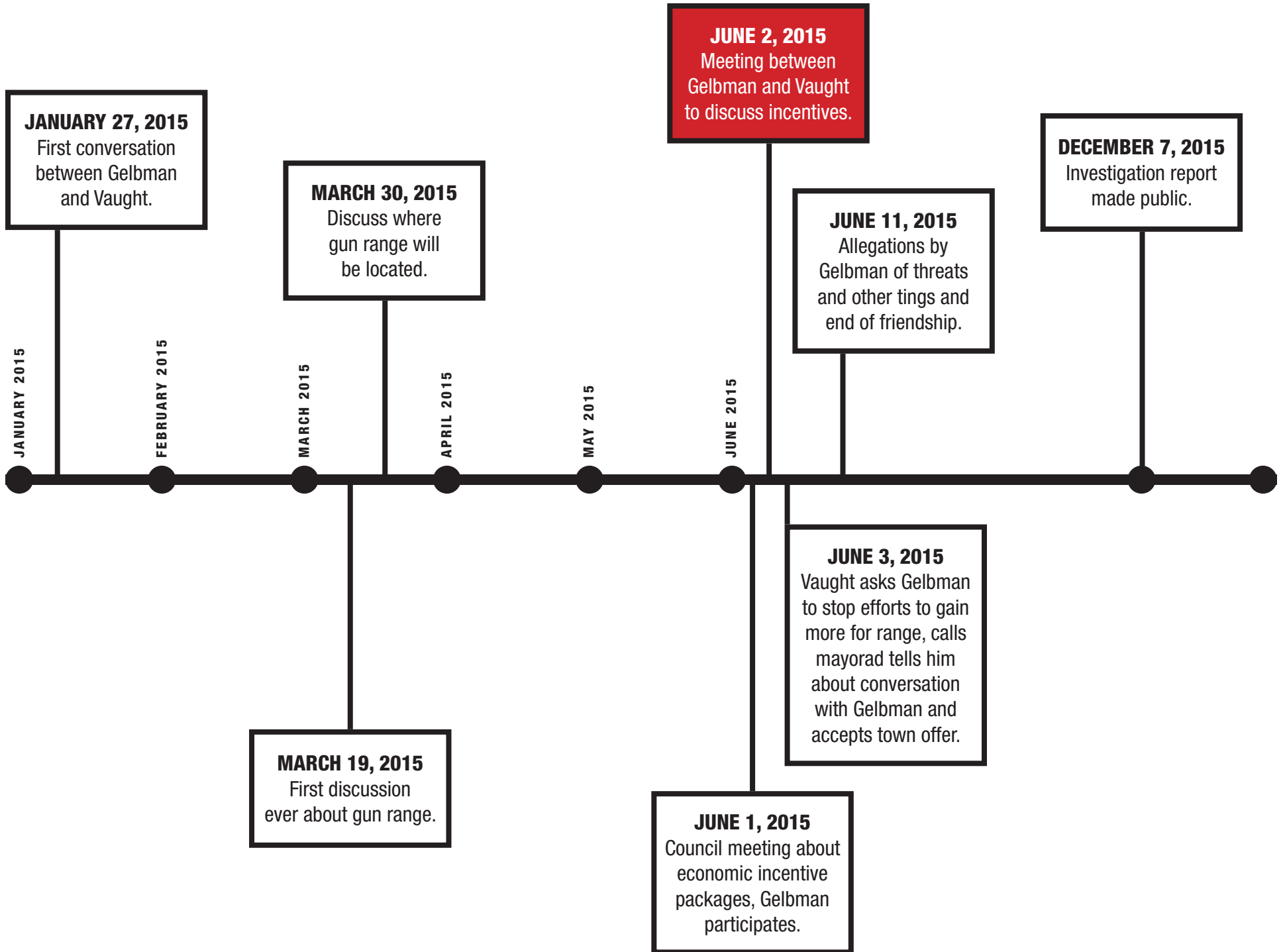
8 Q. Do you recall making any statements or
9 giving any opinions regarding the Crossfire
10 incentives in the Executive Session?

11 A. I tried to stay away from that as far as
12 I can. Although I did ask before -- I believe it

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11 said something like that. I'm actually against
12 even taking incentive from the government in my
13 own businesses. I have never applied for any



TESTIMONY UNDER OATH ABOUT JUNE 2015 MEETING AT LA MADELINE

Under oath, Mr. Gelbman says he did not meet Mr. Jellison or Mr. Vaught at La Madeline restaurant.

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23 Q. Do you recall having a meeting with
24 Mr. Gelson immediately after -- I say
25 "immediately." In the morning after your Council

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1 meeting on June the 2nd, 2015?
2 A. Mr. Gelson? I don't believe so.
8 Q. But you don't recall having a meeting
9 with Mr. Gelson on that morning at La Madeleine?
10 A. I don't remember.
11 Q. Have you met with Mr. Gelson about
12 anything other than the gun range and him
13 supporting you in your campaign?
14 A. I don't believe so. We've been trying
15 to get together for coffee for probably a couple

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20 Q. Did you have a meeting with Mr. Vaught
21 after the meeting in which the incentives to the
22 gun range were first discussed from Executive
23 Session?
24 A. I don't remember when every time I met
25 Mr. Vaught.

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1 Q. I'm not asking you to remember every
2 time that you met Mr. Vaught. My question is:
3 Did you meet with him about the gun range after
4 the Executive Session where incentives were
5 discussed on June the 2nd, 2015?
6 A. I don't remember. I don't remember
7 anything like that. I mean I met -- I met him, I
8 believe, but I -- I don't think we ever continued
9 our conversation about the shooting range.
10 Q. When you say that you "met him," you
11 mean you met him at La Madeleine?
12 A. Oh, no. I don't know where I met him.
13 I just know I have met him since. I just don't
14 know when and where. And if you know I met him

TESTIMONY UNDER OATH ABOUT JUNE 2015 MEETING AT LA MADELINE

Under oath, Mr. Gelbman says he did not meet Mr. Jellison or Mr. Vaught at La Madeline restaurant. Mr. Jellison confirms that he was at La Madeline on that day meeting with Gelbman and he recalls seeing me come in to the restaurant to meet with Gelbman. At the meeting between Vaught and Gelbman, incentive packages for multiple businesses, including Mi Dia, were discussed and a hand out with packages was shown to Vaught. Gelbman tells Vaught he will get him “more” incentives and tells him not to accept offer. Vaught asks to keep handout for review and Gelbman refuses. at this time Gelbman says “he could go to jail for sharing that information”. Vaught leaves meeting uncomfortable.

December 11



David Vaught

12/11, 4:45pm

under oath, he claims that he did not meet with you at La Madeline.
Am I crazy or were you there meeting with him on June 3rd when I get there?

Thursday



David Vaught

12/17, 4:07pm

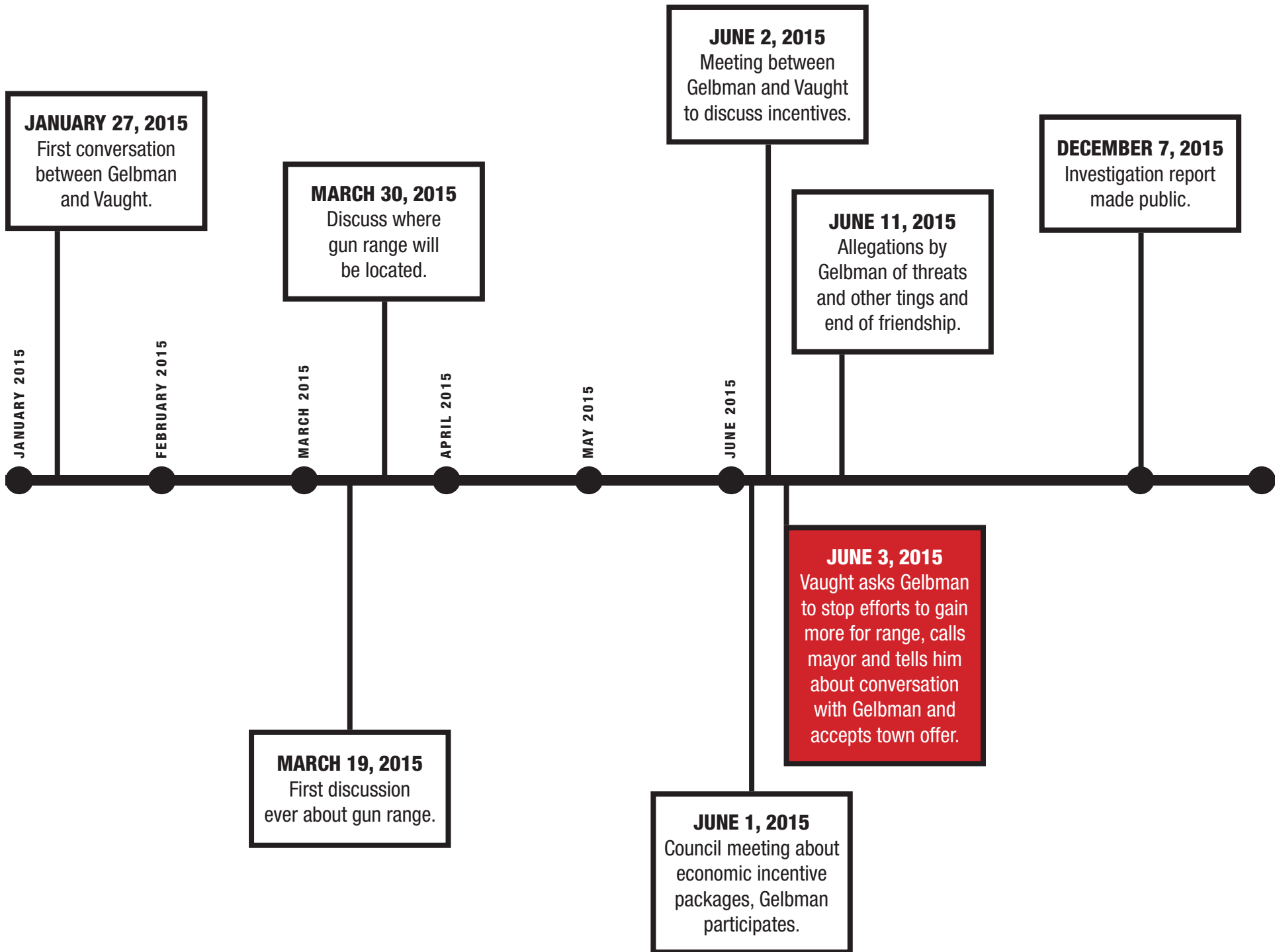
So, since you are named in the testimony. Do you remember meeting with Gelbman at LaMadeline and seeing me come in to meet with him?



Eric Jellison

12/17, 4:09pm

I remember seeing you at La Madeline on a day I was there as well.



JUNE 3, 2015 VAUGHT ASKS GELBMAN TO STOP HIS EFFORTS

The morning after meeting with Gelbman at La Madeline, Vaught asks him to stop trying to secure more incentives for the range and that he was going to accept the monetary the town had offered.

Itamar Gelbman

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Jun 3, 2015, 10:38 AM

Don't sweat the economic incentives thing. We are going to accept the offer from Mark with the request that it be front loaded. My developer was a city planned for a decade and he felt it was a fair shake.

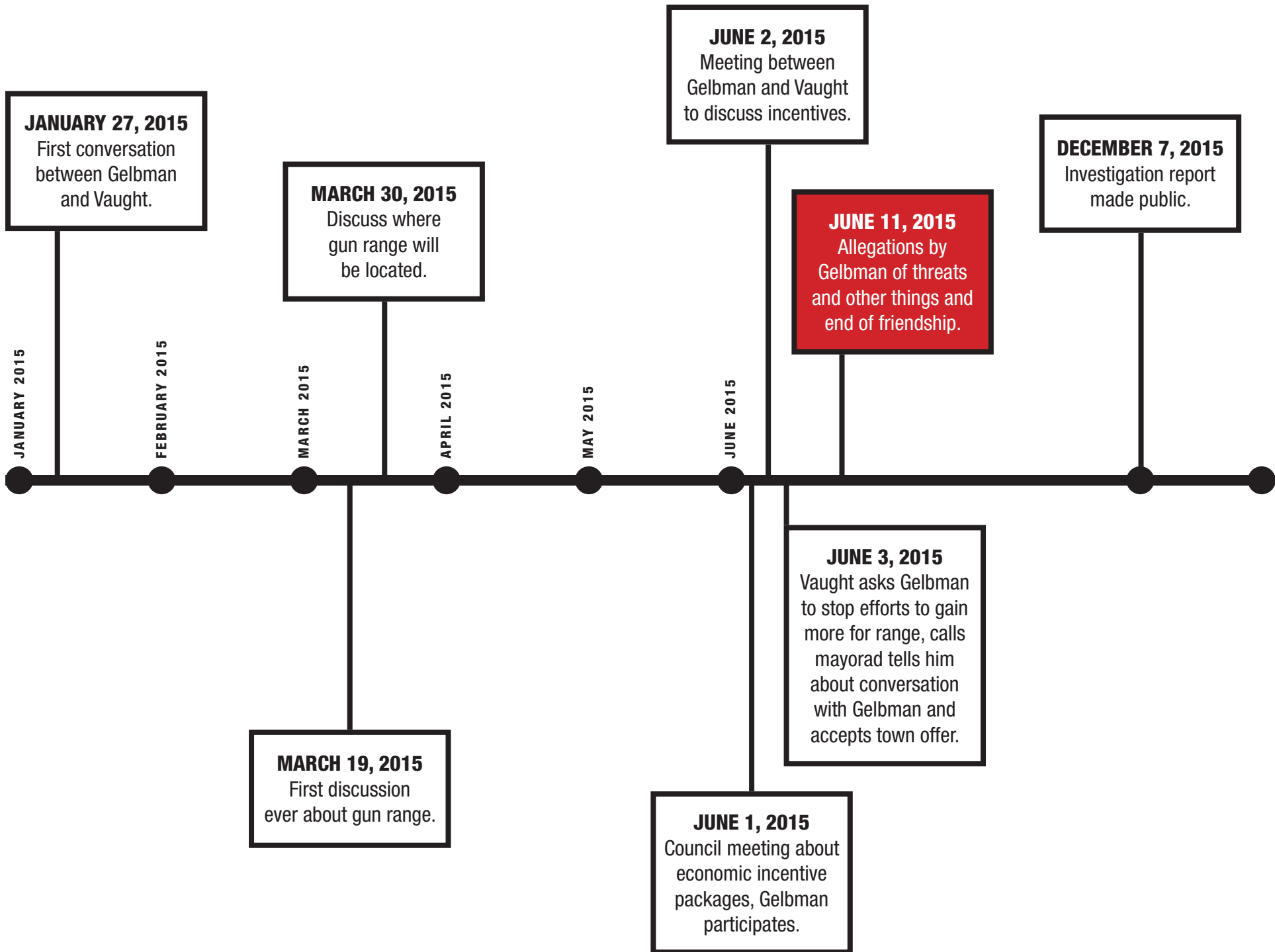
10:38 AM

JUNE 3, 2015 VAUGHT CALLS MAYOR TOM HAYDEN

The morning after meeting with Gelbman at La Madeline, Vaught calls the mayor and tells him about the conversation he had with Gelbman.

JUNE 3, 2015 VAUGHT CALLS MAYOR TOM HAYDEN

Vaught agrees to accept monetary amount offered by town. Vaught did not attempt to negotiate for more, because he did not want there to be any illusion of impropriety on his part. When Vaught accepts amount town had offered, the Mayor conferenced in the Town Manger as well as the Economic Development Coordinator.



GELBMAN DISCUSSES THREATS WITH INVESTIGATOR

Gelbman alleges that on June 11, 2015 an incident occurred that fractured their friendship, caused Vaught to begin threatening Gelbman and his family and this is when Gelbman claims Vaught fabricated charges against him. Gelbman was asked to produce communications between he and Vaught prior to his testimony. In this testimony, he says he did not produce it because "he didn't think it was related to what we needed to do." Apparently, he also felt it was not necessary to let the police know that someone was threatening his life and the lives of his family since there is no 911 call or police report.

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5 Q. Is there a reason you didn't provided
6 this to me initially?
7 A. As I said, I don't -- I didn't think it
8 was related to what we need to do. My

This is where Gelbman claims I threatened his life and the lives of his children and introduces "Exhibit 3" as evidence.

23 September 9th, around 11:00 a.m., and that's
24 where David Vaught and I'm reading just what's in
25 the orange, marked in orange here, "I am

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1 embarrass for our town but I'd literally choke
2 some of those idiots unconscious for your dad."

14 So, I'm afraid for my life and my
15 family's life.

16 (Deposition Exhibit Number 3 is
17 marked.)

18 BY MR. FOSTER:

19 Q. And what you just gave me and we're
20 discussing is marked as "Deposition Exhibit 3."
21 Is that correct?

22 A. Correct, sir.

THE THREAT THAT MADE GELBMAN FEAR FOR HIS LIFE

Before we get to the alleged threats, lets look at Mr. Gelbman's resume. He claims he is Israel Defense Force, Israel, Special Forces, Special Forces boot camp, Special Forces advanced training, Medic, Radio and Telecommunications, Orienteering and Urban Navigation, "LOTA"R" (Israeli Counter Terror), Krav Maga, Hostile takeover, Hostage situations, Special Weapons and Tactics, Escape and Evasion Driving, Surveillance and counter- surveillance, Intelligent and counter-intelligent, Israel Police Department, Tel Aviv, Operational, Unmarked patrol unit

In an effort to show that he was in fear for his life and the lives of his wife and children, Gelbman gives as evidence, a comment that I made in response to an attack on Councilman Webb by a Gelbman supporter who Gelbman approved to P&Z. It must have been an accident that the second paragraph of my comment we not given to the investigator as part of Exhibit 3.

Despite cries from Gelbman's base, Councilman Webb and his family had every right to feel threatened by the former P&Z appointee and Gelbman supporter because just a few weeks ago, the same person that targeted Mr. Webb, was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.



Nicole Webb

September 8 · Washington, District of Columbia, DC · 🧑

I have so much awe and respect for my dad, [Bryan C Webb](#), tonight.

for those that don't know, my dad is on the town council in my hometown. in the past months, he has faced attacks on himself, his friends, and his family with grace and dignity that lord knows, I could not.

A local public servant attacked my dad, and posted information on my family online including: where we live and work, my mom's salary, the sexuality of other family members, details lying about my sister's schooling, and more. Different council members then tried to remove my father from his position on trumped up charges by starting an investigation of the council. Then tonight, those council members tried to remove themselves from the investigation that they started and they voted for, because they didn't like it when citizens made credible accusations that they broke the town charter and ethics rules.

I know it's been a rough time, dad. but you're doing great.

I also want to thank everyone who has offered my family their love and support these past couple months. y'all know who you are, and I've been so touched by all your kind words and support.

small town politics don't have to be like this folks.



David Vaught You and your family have been an example of how to handle asshole bullies. I am embarrass for our town but I'd literally choke some of those idiots unconscious for your dad. He is one of the most honorable men I've ever met.

And so there is not confusion, this was not meant as a threat, it was an offer to protect your father from an attacker since he was targeted and he felt threatened. Choking someone out is a common Jiu-Jitsu term for subduing and attacker without causing bodily harm.

Like · Reply · 👍 4 · October 6 at 9:43am · Edited



Nicole Webb thank you, david! you have been so awesome throughout all this mess, and I'm sorry the assholes keep dragging you into it.

Like · Reply · September 9 at 3:51pm

GELBMAN SUPPORTER GOES TO POLICE

The day after the investigation report is released to the public, a supporter of Gelbman's writes this. She also writes that "Now I've seen his published request to buy canine drugs from a council member's wife...." The problem is, the town had not released that evidence yet, so who gave it to her? This was a coordinated attack led by Mr. Gelbman with the sole purpose of creating a distraction from what the investigation was about and the recommendation for his prosecution.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, December 8, 2015 3:18 PM
To: Town Council; Mayor - Tom Hayden
Subject: Threats

I am very concerned that our council is not addressing the real and evidenced threats to the residents of our community.

Last night I spoke with our Police Chief about the now-published threat David Vaught made on Nicole Webb's facebook page against the 51 private citizens who disagreed with direction of development. (screenshot attached). The Police Chief said he doesn't do social media and feels Mr. Vaught is a nice guy.

But if this threat was made to one of you, or your family, would you take it seriously?

Now I've seen his published request to buy canine drugs from a council member's wife to use for himself (an illegal use which she refused him). In addition, he is planning on opening a gun range in our town!

I and many other are very concerned about all of this. How are you and the police department planning to protect the residents? Please advise.

ALLEGATIONS ARE DISCUSSED BY LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

With regards to the alleged threat according to FMPD “there is no direct threat to any person or specific group... not a violation of Texas Penal Code.”
With regards to the alleged attempt to purchase medication illegally according to FMPD “Although, someone might infer that Mr. Vaught was inquiring about the use for his own medial issues, his comments do not constitute a criminal offense.”

[REDACTED]
Date: December 9, 2015 at 3:22:49 PM CST

[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Threats

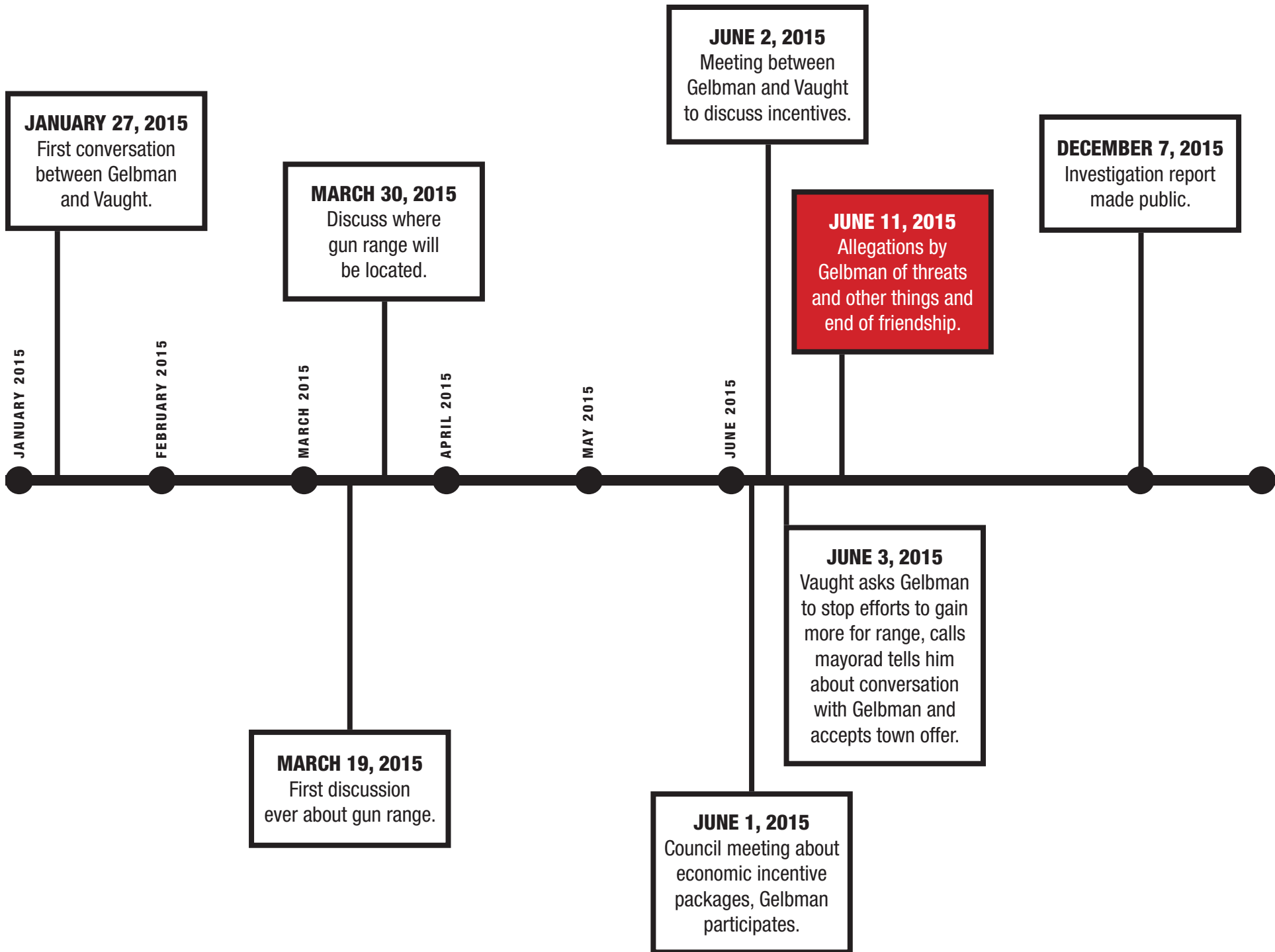
[REDACTED]

I reviewed the email about your concerns in reference to comments made by David Vaught in a couple of screen shots that you provided. First, let me say that if you, any resident, or anyone in our Town needs law enforcement assistance please contact the Flower Mound Police at 972-539-0525 or call 911 for an emergency. Calling the Police Department directly is the most effective manner to request service from the police department, even for inquires such as yours.

Now, let me specifically address the two screen shots. It is apparent based on your email that you are upset by Mr. Vaught’s comment in the Facebook screen shot, but there is no direct threat to any person or specific group. Although his Facebook comment may be crude, it is not a violation of Texas Penal Code. This also holds true for the screen shot discussing the steroid. Although, someone might infer that Mr. Vaught was inquiring about the use of “Deca” for his own medial issues, his comments do not constitute a criminal offense.

[REDACTED] the men and women of the Flower Mound Police are proud to serve this incredible community. Thank you for the opportunity to assist you with this matter and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Wendell Mitchell
Assistant Chief of Police
Flower Mound Police Department
Desk: 972.874.3344
Main: 972.539.0525



GELBMAN DISCUSSES WHEN FRIENDSHIP ENDED AND MORE THREATS

Gelbman alleges that on June 11, 2015 he and Vaught stopped being friends. Claims to have more text messages that threatening his safety or imprisonment but has failed to produce them because they are somehow "not related" but thankfully Gelbman has "no problem producing when somebody is threatening my life" so hopefully those will be forthcoming... or not.

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19 Q. Would it be fair to say you're not
20 friends with Mr. Vaught any more?

21 A. I have stopped being friendly with him
22 after -- after he asked my wife to prescribe him
23 illegal drugs.

24 Q. When was that?

25 A. June 11th. And --

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1 Q. Have you communicated with him since
2 June 11th?

3 A. Every now and then, we text each other.

4 Q. What about?

5 A. For a while after that, because I
6 refused to give him that -- those drugs, I even
7 refused to ask my wife to even look to prescribe
8 it or even consult my wife about it.

9 He started texting me that he's
10 going to put me in jail, that he talked to his
11 wife, that I have committed felonies and
12 threatened my own safety. So at that time I --

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13 Q. Do you still have those texts?

14 A. I believe so.

15 Q. But you haven't produced them at this
16 point?

17 A. I believe it was after your request.

18 Q. Well --

19 A. Because again, it's not related to Town
20 business and it's not related to Crossfire.

21 So...

22 Q. So it sounds like to me you've been kind
23 of selective in what you've --

24 A. I don't keep --

25 Q. -- produced?

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5 Q. Will you produce them?

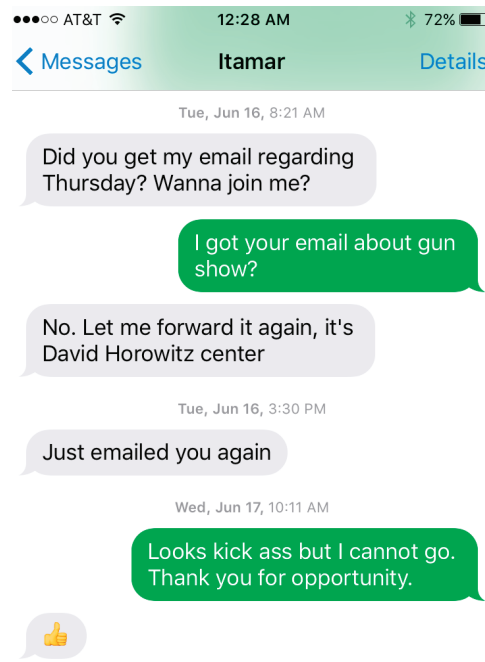
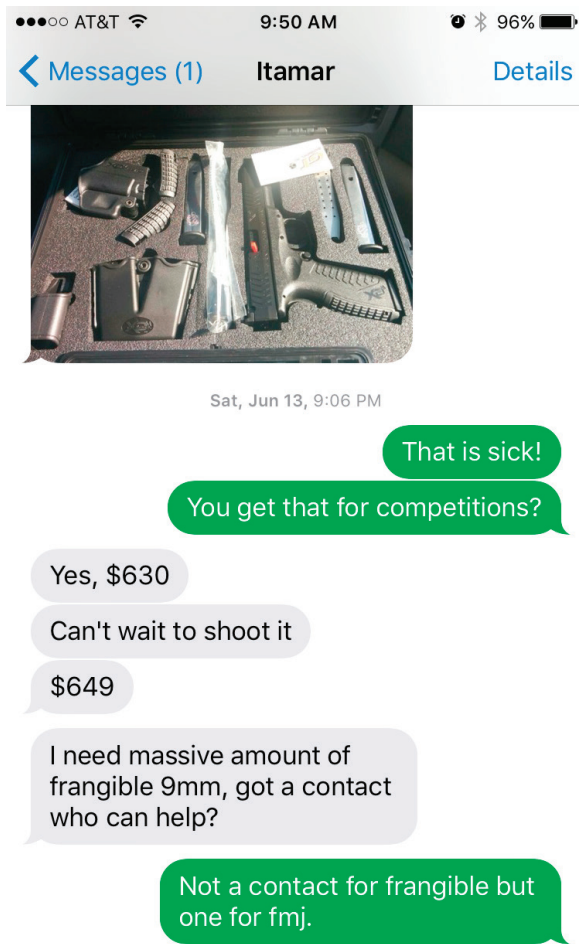
6 A. If I have them, oh, yeah, I will produce
7 them. I have no problem producing when somebody
8 is threatening my life.

9 Q. When did Mr. Vaught threaten your life?

10 A. I don't remember. I just ignored it,

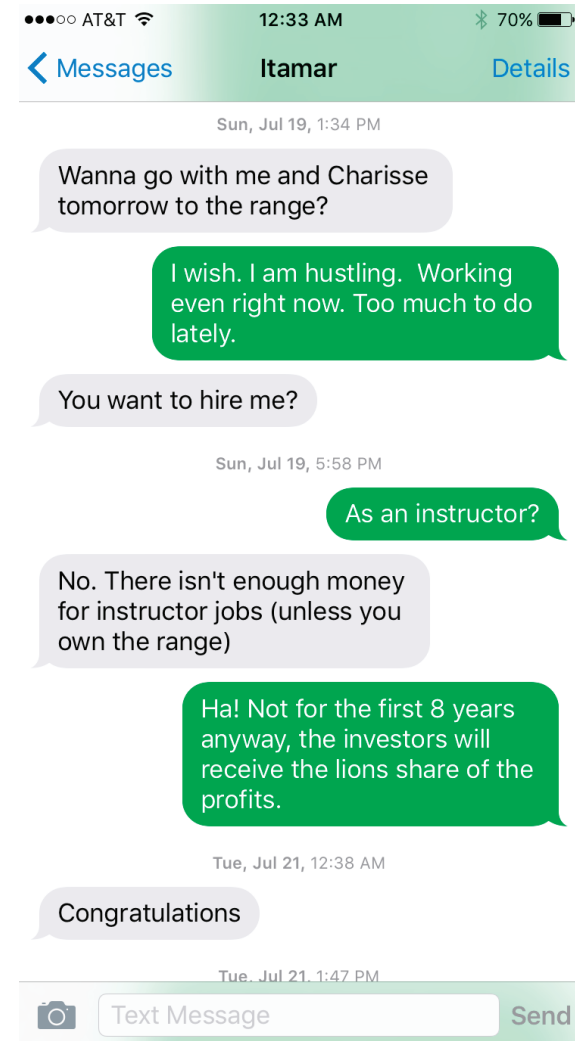
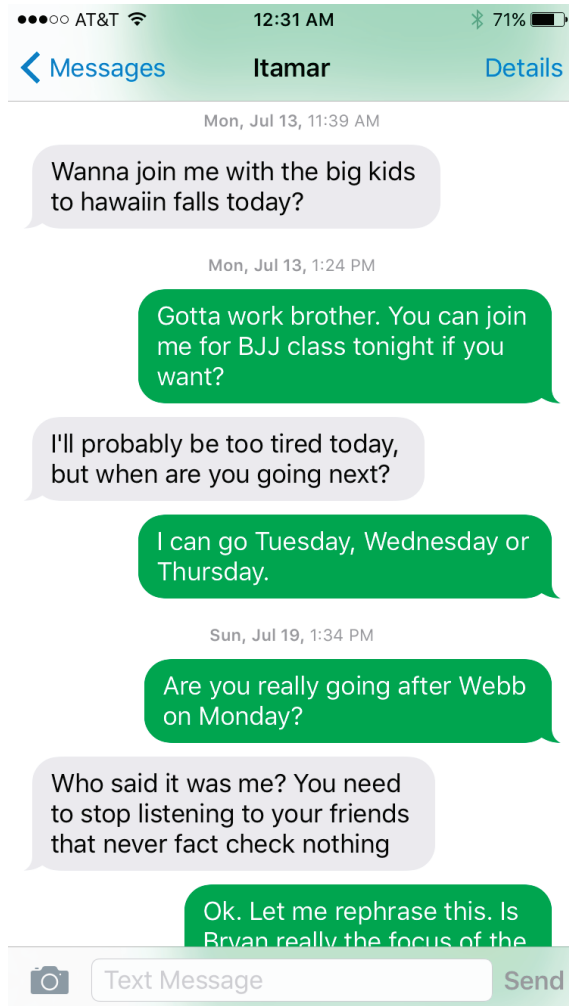
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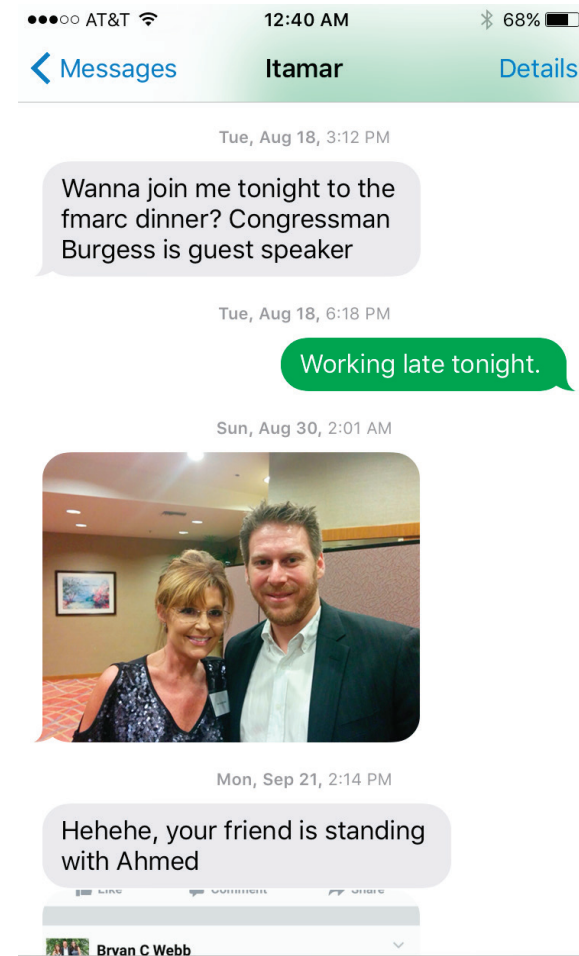
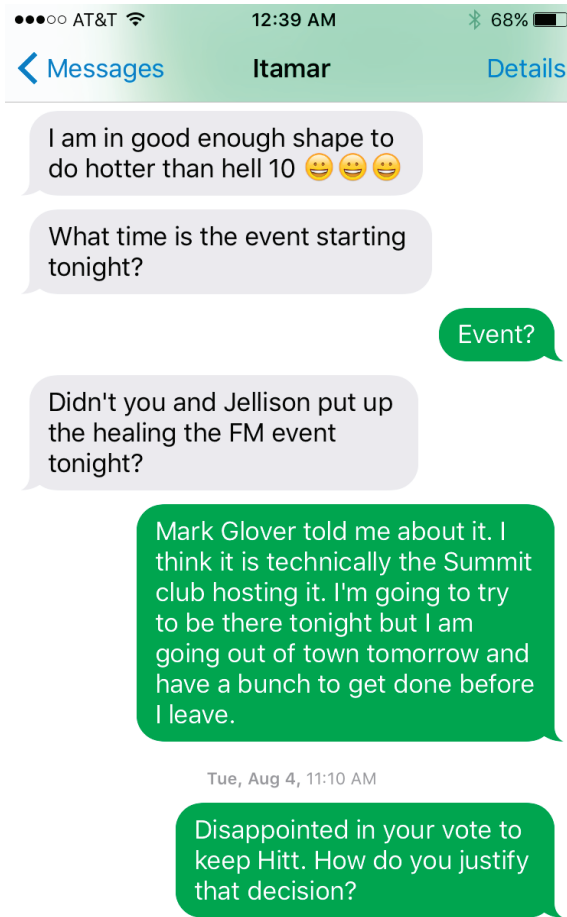
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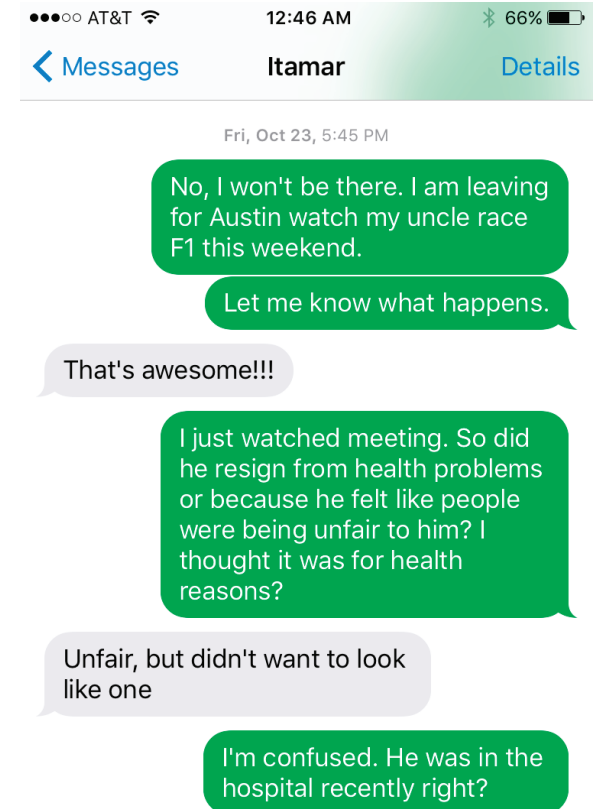
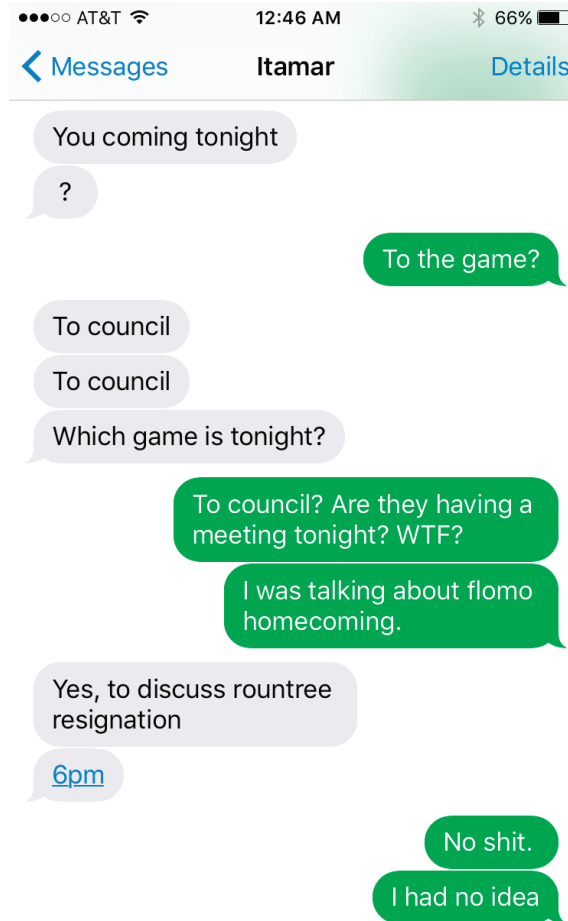
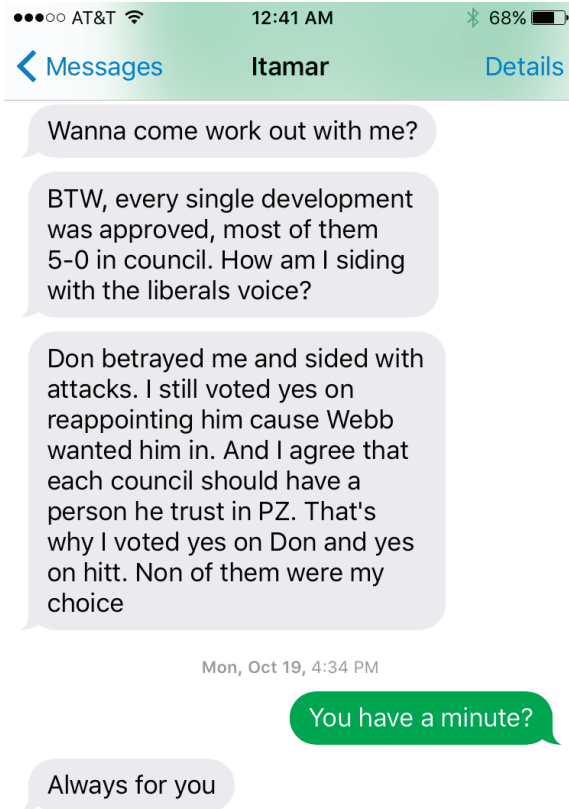
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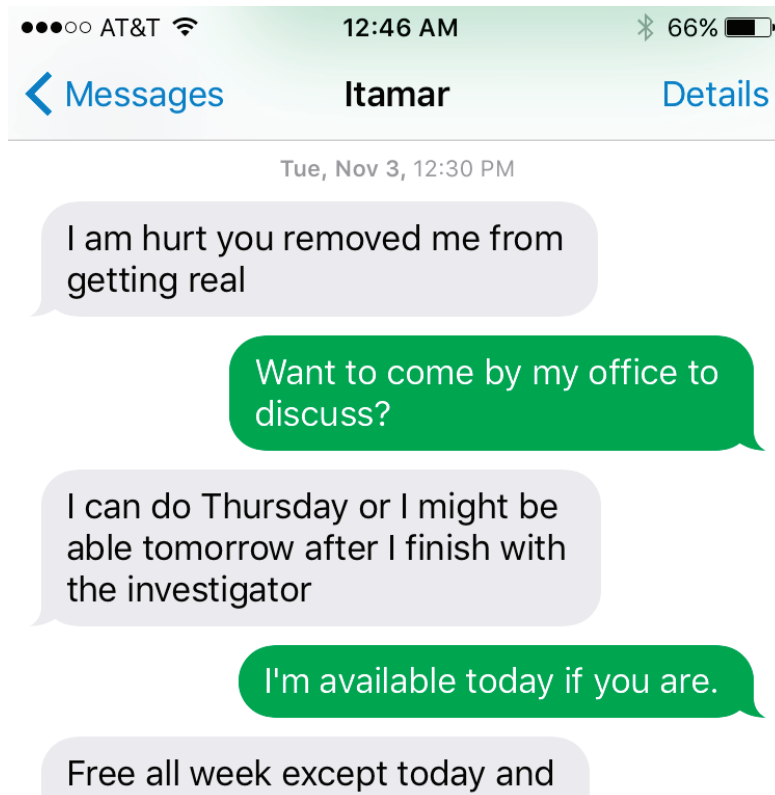
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SUMMARY OF EVENTS

Gelbman has lied repeatedly under oath in an effort to cover up his own wrong doings. Although he wants people to think he is the victim of “threats”, he is the only one that repeatedly made threats to hide his indiscretions. He has threatened to fire town employees, threatened to ruin the reputation of the town manager, threatened to do everything possible to ruin my reputation. December 7, 2015 in Executive Session he doubled down saying “I will issue a restraining order against David Vaught, I fear for my life and my family’s life If you release the investigation report” and even worse, he threatened every resident of Flower Mound when he said if you release the investigation report “I will bankrupt this F@#\$ing town.”

His claims that something happened June 11, 2015 that caused me to manufacture charges against him and begin repeated threats to him and his family are delusional and impossible. Think about this for a minute, prior to June 11, 2015, according to Gelbman, we were friends and on or after June 11, 2015, I made up a lie about him showing me the economic incentive handout. Here is the problem with his story, I told the Mayor about what he did on June 3, 2015. That is 8 days before the event he claims triggered the charges, threats and ended our friendship. You see, I did not seek out the investigator and tell him that I had information for him. No, I was contacted because the Mayor and others that I had told on June 3rd, told the investigator that I might have information that might be relevant.

His claims that I threatened him, his wife and children are the words of a crazy person. Seriously, on page 68 of his testimony, “I was afraid of him murdering my kids because that would come public.” I am not sure how many of you are parents, but if I felt that someone was making a threat to murder my children, I would be on the phone with 911 without forethought or hesitation. Instead of calling the Police, he continued to ask me and my family over to dinner, to go swimming, to go to the water park, to go work out and best of all, after he felt I might kill him and or his family, he invites me to go to a shooting range with him and his wife.

Our elected officials are the leaders of this town. We the voting public elect you to your position to make decisions that you believe are best for the town as a whole. Being a leader is not always an easy job. Sometimes you have to make a decision when there is no clear answer, but understand that failure to make a decision, is in fact making a decision. Given everything that you have witnessed in executive session and what was revealed during the investigation, do you believe Gelbman occupying a council chair is what is best for this town? If you don’t, I am going to ask that you do something to relieve him of his duties. I am simple, I want his character exposed for the people to see what he really is and I want him off town council. I believe he has done a good job of showing his true character and as far as his council position goes, I would hope that he would resign. If he does, I hope we let it go at that and allow our town to get back to being great. If he does not want to resign, I hope the council can remove him because to do otherwise is condoning his actions. I will continue to support the DA and/or LEO with continued honesty and cooperation.