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Community
Police Commission

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September 6, 2017

VIA EMAIL

Merrick J. Bobb, Seattle Police Monitor

Dear Mr. Bobb,

We write to request a draft of the Monitor's compliance report and an opportunity to review and provide comment on the report before it is filed with the Court. During a Community Police Commission (CPC) meeting on September 6, 2017, we were informed by a representative of the Monitoring Team that the Monitor's compliance report is due to be filed on September 8, 2017. Per the CPC's mission to receive critical feedback from communities on police reform efforts, it is imperative that the CPC have an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the report through the lens of Seattle's broad range of community perspectives. The CPC understands that it can respond to the court once you have filed, but we request the opportunity to provide informal feedback to the Monitoring Team before you finalize the report. The CPC may identify dynamics or issues that your team may not be aware of. For this reason, in previous CPC meetings, the commission has made direct requests to representatives from both the Monitoring Team and the Department of Justice for the opportunity to review and comment on a draft of the compliance report, and we reiterate this request via this letter.

Due to the commission's bimonthly meeting schedule, the earliest the commission can review and provide comments on the compliance report is September 21, 2017; therefore, we request that a draft of the report be provided to the CPC by September 13, 2017, and that the Monitoring Team delay the filing of the final report until after it receives and considers the CPC's feedback on the report. We thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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