

Office of the Community Police Commission

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Department Overview

The Office of the Community Police Commission (CPC) is the administrative and policy support entity of the Community Police Commission. The CPC is charged with providing community oversight and input on the police reform efforts that are the subject of a Settlement Agreement between the City and the U.S. Department of Justice regarding police practices. Membership of the CPC was modified in 2017 through legislation addressing changes in civilian oversight of the police ([Ordinance 125315](#)). A 21-member board appointed by the Mayor, the City Council and the Community Police Commission governs the CPC. Each commissioner serves a three-year term.

The CPC provides an independent forum for dialogue and widespread input on the reform efforts embodied in the Settlement Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding established by the Department of Justice. Ongoing community input is a critical component of achieving and maintaining effective and constitutional policing.

The CPC leverages the ideas, talent, experience and expertise of the people of Seattle to ensure police services:

- fully comply with the Constitution of the United States;
- ensure public and officer safety; and
- promote public confidence in the Seattle Police Department and its officers.

In 2017, the CPC's role was further refined through legislation addressing changes in the civilian oversight of the police ([Ordinance 125315](#)). The CPC is still charged with fulfilling and prioritizing the responsibilities as specified under the Consent Decree and Memorandum of Understanding and its role now includes:

- reviewing and providing input to many city partners on the police accountability system, police services and the Seattle Police Department's policies and practices;
- engaging in community outreach to obtain the perspectives of the community on police-community relations, the police accountability system, police services, policies and practices and providing that input to other City departments;
- maintaining connections with representatives of disenfranchised communities and community groups; and
- advocating for reforms to state law that will enhance public trust and confidence in policing and the criminal justice system.

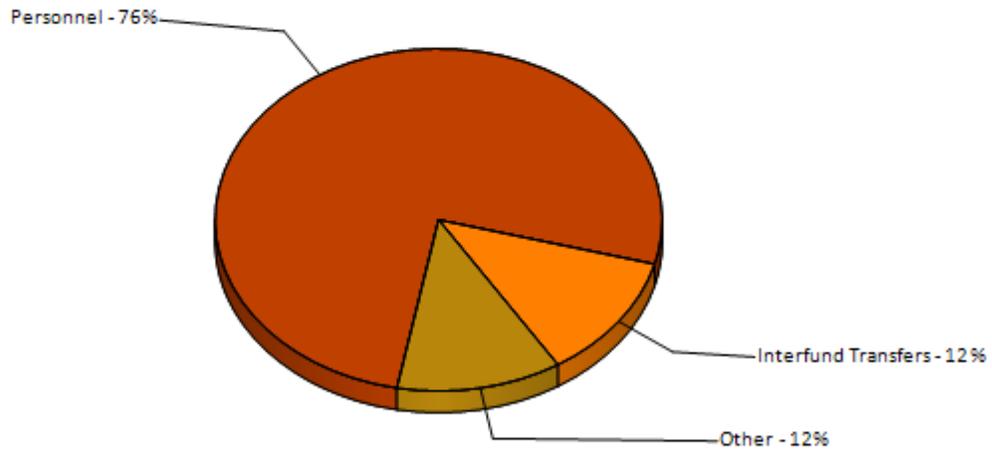
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Budget Snapshot

Department Support	2018 Adopted	2019 Adopted	2020 Endorsed
General Fund Support	\$1,413,258	\$1,499,712	\$1,468,572
Total Operations	\$1,413,258	\$1,499,712	\$1,468,572
Total Appropriations	\$1,413,258	\$1,499,712	\$1,468,572
Full-time Equivalent Total*	9.00	9.00	9.00

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2019 Adopted Budget - Expenditure by Category



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Budget Overview

The 2019 Adopted and 2020 Endorsed Budget for the Community Police Commission (CPC) reduces funding for discretionary contracts and consultants to achieve the Mayor's goal of increasing budget efficiencies without compromising service delivery. In addition, budget allocations for services from Seattle Information Technology Department, Finance and Administrative Services, and Seattle Department of Human Resources have been added to the CPC budget.

City Council Changes to the Proposed Budget

The budget also reflects an across-the-board reduction made to all General Fund departments by the Council equivalent to about 0.07% in 2019 and 0.1% in 2020. This reduction funds other Council priorities.

Incremental Budget Changes

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	2019		2020	
	Budget	FTE	Budget	FTE
2018 Adopted Budget	\$ 1,413,258	9.00	\$ 1,413,258	9.00
Baseline Changes				
Citywide Adjustments for Standard Cost Changes	\$ 135,477	0.00	\$ 104,872	0.00
Adjustment for One-Time Budget Additions	-\$ 10,000	0.00	-\$ 10,000	0.00
Proposed Changes				
Reduce Discretionary Contacting Resources	-\$ 38,000	0.00	-\$ 38,000	0.00
Council Changes				
General Fund Appropriation Reduction	-\$ 1,023	0.00	-\$ 1,558	0.00
Total Incremental Changes	\$ 86,454	0.00	\$ 55,314	0.00
2019 Adopted/2020 Endorsed Budget	\$ 1,499,712	9.00	\$ 1,468,572	9.00

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Descriptions of Incremental Budget Changes

Baseline Changes

Citywide Adjustments for Standard Cost Changes - \$135,477

Citywide technical adjustments made in the baseline phase reflect changes to internal services costs, health care, and industrial insurance charges for the department. These adjustments reflect initial assumptions about these costs and inflators early in the budget process. This technical adjustment also transfers internal services costs for Human Resources, Finance and Administrative Services, and Information Technology from Finance General to the department. With this change, department budgets will better reflect support costs. Previously these costs were included in the Finance General budget.

Adjustment for One-Time Budget Additions - (\$10,000)

This item removes one-time funding added in the 2018 Adopted Budget for equipment needs of new CPC staff.

Proposed Changes

Reduce Discretionary Contracting Resources - (\$38,000)

At the direction of the Mayor, the department pursued budget efficiencies by reviewing resources for discretionary contracts and consultants. This item reduces discretionary funding for contracting services in the CPC budget by \$38,000. This reduction achieves efficiency in budgeting without service reductions.

Council Changes

General Fund Appropriation Reduction - (\$1,023)

The Council made an across-the-board reduction to all General Fund appropriation authority in order to support other priorities. The percentage reduction in 2019 is about 0.07% and in 2020 about 0.1%.

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Expenditure Overview

Appropriations	2018 Adopted	2019 Adopted	2020 Endorsed
Office of the Community Police Commission Budget Summary Level			
General Fund	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572
Total for BSL: BO-CP-X1P00	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572

Department Total	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572
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Department Full-time Equivalents Total*	9.00	9.00	9.00
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Budget Summary by Fund for Community Police Commission

	2018 Adopted	2019 Adopted	2020 Endorsed
00100 - General Fund	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572
Budget Totals for CPC	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572

Appropriations By Budget Summary Level (BSL) and Program

Office of the Community Police Commission Budget Summary Level

The purpose of the Office of the Community Police Commission Budget Summary Level is to leverage the ideas, talents, experience, and expertise of the community to provide ongoing community input into the development of Seattle Police Department reforms, the establishment of police priorities, and facilitation of police/community relationships necessary to promote public safety.

Program Expenditures	2018 Adopted	2019 Adopted	2020 Endorsed
Office of the Community Police	1,413,258	1,499,712	1,468,572
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Full-time Equivalents Total*	9.00	9.00	9.00

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