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### **COMMUNITY POLICE COMMISSION REQUESTS TIMELY REVIEW OF SHOOTINGS**

(Seattle) – Today the Seattle Community Police Commission (CPC) issued a letter to Interim Chief Bailey and Federal Monitor Bobb requesting a status update on the Firearms Review Board’s review of officer-involved shootings that occurred in 2014.

The CPC understands that a review was conducted this week of a November 2013 shooting. The review proceedings integrated the Firearms Review Board (FRB) and the Use of Force Review Board (UOFRB) processes. This is an interim review process pending the formal merger of the FRB and the UOFRB by the end of this year, as required by the Monitoring Plan.

The CPC urges SPD, under Monitor supervision, ensure that FRB reviews, or an alternate review process approved by the Monitor, be conducted on the 2014 cases by a date that allows adequate time for the Office of Professional Accountability to investigate and recommend findings, if appropriate. In addition, the CPC requests that before the reviews begin, written procedures governing the interim process be agreed to by SPD and the Monitor. This should also include a provision indicating that written findings be produced at the conclusion of the review.

The CPC’s letter to Interim Chief Bailey and the Monitor is attached to this email.

To learn more about the Community Police Commission, please visit [www.seattle.gov/community-police-commission](http://www.seattle.gov/community-police-commission).

*The Community Police Commission (CPC) was established by the City of Seattle to provide community input on proposed Seattle Police Department (SPD) reforms. The CPC was mandated under a memorandum of understanding between the City and the U.S. Department of Justice which details work to be done over three years to ensure bias-free policing and address the past use of excessive force. The CPC’s charge is represent a broad range of community perspectives and to reach out and engage communities directly, to get critical feedback, and to then recommend changes to SPD policies and practices.*

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