Seattle Community Police Commission

VIA EMAIL July 13, 2021

Re: CPC Feedback on OIG's 2020 Draft Annual Report

Dear Inspector General Judge,

Thank you for providing a draft of your 2020 Annual Report for our review. Last year was a challenging time for our community and our entire police accountability system. Yet, through a global pandemic, unparalleled protests, and perhaps the most transformative time in police accountability ever, I am proud of the work our organizations were able to accomplish in partnership.

In that spirit of partnership, we submit the following questions and feedback regarding your draft annual report:

Introductory letter

The report mentions creating a community advisory group tasked with advising the OIG. The CPC would like to see more information about OIG's plans for this group, including its purpose, the roles and responsibilities of its members, and how the group's work may overlap with duties assigned to the CPC by the Accountability Ordinance. If there is such overlap, the Commission would be happy to discuss how the CPC and OIG can collaborate or support one another in this effort.

Chapter 3: Audits

In the Audits section, OIG states it has not yet assessed the implementation of its recommendations resulting from its 2020 audits. The CPC suggests that a tentative timeline for those assessments be included in the report.

In the section discussing the IAPro Information Memo, the report details a security vulnerability which "posed a severe risk to the integrity and confidentiality of investigation materials." However, the section concludes by saying a "potential solution" has been deployed. We suggest that OIG makes evident, in this section, its own determination about whether the potential solution fully addressed the vulnerability.

Chapter 5: OPA Review

In this section, we noticed varying numbers for contact log concurrence. Concurrence rate for the first six months of 2020 is 97% on pages 32 and 34 (batch contact logs), but 92% on page 33. We also believe the report could benefit from more clarity regarding whether batch contact logs are the same as contact logs. In addition, we noticed that redundant summary paragraphs are posted after both the Alternative Programs subsection and the OIG Conflict Investigations subsection.

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Overall, the CPC finds this Annual Report comprehensive and is confident that it will be a valuable resource for policymakers and the Community. Thank you again for your partnership in this review. We look forward to hearing your response to our feedback.

In partnership,

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