

June 6, 2022

Dear Seattle City Councilmembers,

The Seattle Community Police Commission (CPC) requests that City Council delay the vote to adopt the Seattle Police Management Association (CB 120332) contract. The CPC was not given enough advance notice to complete a comprehensive, community-based, review of the SPMA contract prior to tomorrow's scheduled vote. Commissioner Suzette Dickerson, the CPC representative and external technical advisor for the SPMA Collective Bargaining Contract, previously requested the contract, stricken language, and summary, but only received the materials this afternoon. With less than 24-hours until the Council vote, there is not enough time to thoroughly review the 73-page contract and provide feedback. The CPC received alerts from community members that they receive the contract before the Commission's leadership.

In addition, CPC Co-Chairs Rev. Harriet Walden and Douglas Wagoner and Executive Director Brandy Grant did not receive advance notice of the timeline of the Council's vote. The lack of transparency and short turn around without a reasonable timeframe for CPC and community input undermines trust with Seattle Police Department.

We request in the strongest terms that City Council delay the vote for the adoption of the SPMA Collective Bargaining Contract to allow for time for feedback from and outreach to the community.

Sincerely,

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