



## PCCEP Recommendation

Cover Letter

As Approved June 23, 2020

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### MEMBERS IN FAVOR

Vote 11-1

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PCCEP Recommendation that the City of Portland evaluate all current restorative justice practices within the PPB and other related city departments and update said practices to promote additional restorative outcomes and alternatives means of public safety.

*Chief Lovell and I met with the youth subcommittee to discuss this thoughtful recommendation and verbally accepted it generally in service of its broader goals. In reviewing the text of this recommendation, and noting budgetary parameters and cross-jurisdictional involvement, it would be useful to be use this response as an opportunity to carve out specific direction to the Portland Police Bureau. This recommendation is adopted **in part**.*

*I support the development of a youth-centered Restorative Justice training for all PPB officers that builds on the training used for former School Resource officers, and therefore approve this portion of the recommendation. In developing this training, it will be important to identify metrics by which to assess outcomes. I will direct PPB to prioritize development of this training within a feasible timeline and to the extent resources permit given recent and expected cuts to the bureau's overall budget.*

*The development of a platform for use by Portland-area youth requires financial resources that are currently infeasible. This is an innovative and impactful proposal, but the City is currently unable to allocate the necessary funds for this.*

*Regarding the hiring of a restorative justice coordinator, the Office of Violence Prevention, under Director Nike Greene, is not responsible for the submission of complaints against members of the Portland Police Bureau. The Mayor's Office has no authority over the Independent Police Review, which sits under the Auditor. Furthermore, given the likely success of Commissioner Hardesty's police accountability ballot measure, the IPR is likely to be dissolved in some capacity. Nevertheless, whatever the form of civilian oversight within the City of Portland, I support the hiring of a restorative justice coordinator in furtherance of police accountability.*

*I support City coordination with the Multnomah County Department of Community Justice, the District Attorney's Office, Portland Public Schools and other school districts, community organizations and other relevant stakeholders to grow the overall number of restorative dialogue programs for youth both in custody and for non-criminal or violation incidents, and approve this recommendation. I will request that*





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*the Auditor's Office conduct a full review of the City's restorative justice programs and practices, with an assessment of needed staff and resources. My office will work with the Chief of Police to track arrests of youth and standards for arrests, in addition to identifying alternatives to arrests where appropriate. Additionally, my office will engage school districts in conversation about reducing reliance on law enforcement for resolving youth-involved incidents, and will advocate for the development of training for PPS administrators.*

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Mayor Wheeler

  
Date





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### Vote

Passed by a vote of 7-3-1

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**This recommendation requests that Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler use his office to lobby the Oregon state legislature to support Senate Arbitration Bill 1567 introduced by Senator Lew Frederick. We further urge the mayor to work with legislators to close loopholes in the bill that would allow police to avoid discipline in serious cases including deadly force incidents where the arbitrator does not agree with the findings**

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**Reason for not adopting:**





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### MEMBERS IN FAVOR

Unanimous

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PCCEP Recommendation to accelerate the plan to launch a Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

*As Mayor and Police Commissioner, and in recognition of the trauma inflicted on BIPOC communities in Portland at the hands of the Portland Police Bureau, I am supportive of an acceleration of the plan to launch a Truth and Reconciliation Commission. As a first step, I am directing the Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing to form a Truth and Reconciliation subcommittee – bringing the total number of subcommittees to five – that will be comprised of PCCEP members, non-PCCEP community members, and law enforcement. Non-PCCEP community members should include the Albina Ministerial Alliance for Justice and Police Reform, the Mental Health Alliance, and others, per the PCCEP's recommendation. This subcommittee will spearhead the planning process for the Commission, working with staff in the Mayor's Office, other Commissioner offices, and the Portland Police Bureau to see the Commission to fruition. I am in support of the goals articulated in PCCEP's recommendation.*

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Wheeler

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