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CITY AUDITOR

Mary Hull Caballero

Jan. 31, 2022

To: Jonas Geissler, U.S. Department of Justice
Jared Hager, U.S. Attorney's Office, Oregon District

From: City Auditor Mary Hull Caballero

In Re: Transfer of Independent Police Review to Council's designated agency

Paragraph 195a of the proposed addendum of additional remedies solicited plans from City Council and the Auditor for Independent Police Review to remain viable during the years it will take for the new police oversight board to be operational. Council's submission of its final transition plan last Friday makes your determination of the Auditor's plan unnecessary as it is no longer an option, and Independent Police Review will be transferred to a different agency designated by Council.

I will immediately initiate procedures to move responsibility for IPR's employees, budget, and operations to Council's designated agency, effective July 1, 2022. I anticipate the settlement agreement will be amended to reflect the transfer to the successor agency.

Council's final plan is tantamount to declining the terms I outlined in a Jan. 11, 2022, submission to you as necessary for the Auditor's Office to retain IPR. Because Charter prohibits Council from assigning duties to the Auditor's Office without the Auditor's consent, Council is compelled to designate a different agency and remove all references to the Auditor's Office in its plan. Council's failure to designate a receiving agency or delay in doing so will not impede the removal of IPR as a responsibility of the Auditor's Office by the effective date. Provision for this outcome was included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Requested Budget for the Auditor's Office.

I ask you, as I've asked City staff, to please respect how disruptive this is for IPR employees by directing any questions or discussion of the transfer to me or Chief Deputy Amanda Lamb. We are available to facilitate discussions as needed or gather information for you. Questions about the receiving agency should be addressed to Council.

cc: Mayor Ted Wheeler
Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty
Commissioner Mingus Mapps
Commissioner Carmen Rubio

Commissioner Dan Ryan
City Attorney Robert Taylor
City Budget Director Jessica Kinard