

Community Livability and Public Safety Committee

Olympia Police Department's Complaint Form, Policies and Procedures

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Receive a briefing on Olympia Police Department's (OPD) complaint form, policies and procedures.

Report

Issue:

Whether to receive a briefing on OPD's complaint form, policies and procedures.

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Background and Analysis:

On November 2, 2020, the Olympia City Council selected the law firm of Ogden Murphy Wallace, P.L.L.C. to serve as Police Auditor. The purpose of the Police Auditor is to increase public trust and confidence in OPD by providing an independent review and audit of the Police Department's internal investigations regarding complaints against the Olympia Police Department or its employees.

In their evaluation, the Police Auditor recommended changes to the Police Department's complaint procedures, policies and form. Staff will provide an update on what the City has done to implement the recommendations and improve the process for community members to file complaints.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

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The community has an expectation of police transparency and accountability, and the ability to file complaints in an accessible manner.

Options:

- 1. Receive the report.
- 2. Do not receive the report.
- 3. Receive the report at another time.

Financial Impact:

There is no financial impact related to the presentation.

Attachments:

Link to OPD Complaint Form