

#### **General Government Committee**

# Review of Applications for the Community Representatives to the Police Use of Force Event Pool and Preparation for Interviews

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#### Title

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#### **Recommended Action**

#### **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

# **City Manager Recommendation:**

Review the applications for the Community Representatives to the Police Use of Force Event Pool and provide guidance on interview schedule and candidates to be interviewed.

## Report

#### Issue:

Whether to review applications for the Community Representatives to the Police Use of Force Event Pool and determine how the General Government Committee wishes to proceed with the interview process.

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#### **Background and Analysis:**

Initiative 940 requires that where the use of deadly force by a peace officer results in death, substantial bodily harm, or great bodily harm an independent investigation must be completed to help determine if the use of force met the appropriate good faith standard.

The law also requires the formation of Independent Investigative Teams (IIT) to conduct investigations of police deadly force incidents. The IIT must include at least two non-law enforcement community representatives who operate completely independent of any involved agency.

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To ensure the non-law enforcement community representatives are independent of any involved agency, City Council approved that the recruitment of Olympia's community representatives be conducted through the General Government Committee's regular boards and commissions recruitment process.

To stand up Olympia's initial pool of six community representatives as soon as possible, the proposed inaugural recruitment process opened on August 17 and closed September 11. Seventy-one (71) applications were received from interested community members. The General Government Committee set aside part of their regular September 23 meeting to review the applications for candidates to be interviewed in early October.

# Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known): N/A

# Options:

- 1. Review the applications for the Community Representatives to the Police Use of Force Event Pool and provide guidance on interview schedule and candidates to be interviewed.
- 2. Do not review the applications for the Community Representatives to the Police Use of Force Event Pool and provide guidance on interview schedule and candidates to be interviewed.

## **Financial Impact:**

None

#### **Attachment**

List of Applicants