



# POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY ORDINANCE

BUILDING LASTING,  
INDEPENDENT  
POLICE REFORM IN SEATTLE

Presented to the  
**Gender Equity, Safe Communities  
& New Americans Committee**

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# Accountability: Update from the Monitor

The Monitor recently released their ninth systemic assessment use of force review. While the Monitor did identify that there remain disparate impacts on the instances of use of force on Communities of Color, the level of force used was statistically equivalent to that used on the white population. Seattle was also found to be in Initial compliance with paragraphs 69-90 of the Consent Decree.

**Use of force is down  
60%**

**Officer injuries and  
crime have not gone  
up.**

**It is a small group of  
officers using force at  
rates greater than  
their peers.**

# The Road Forward: Driving Compliance

Transmittal from Mayor's Office to the  
Council: **2/1/17**

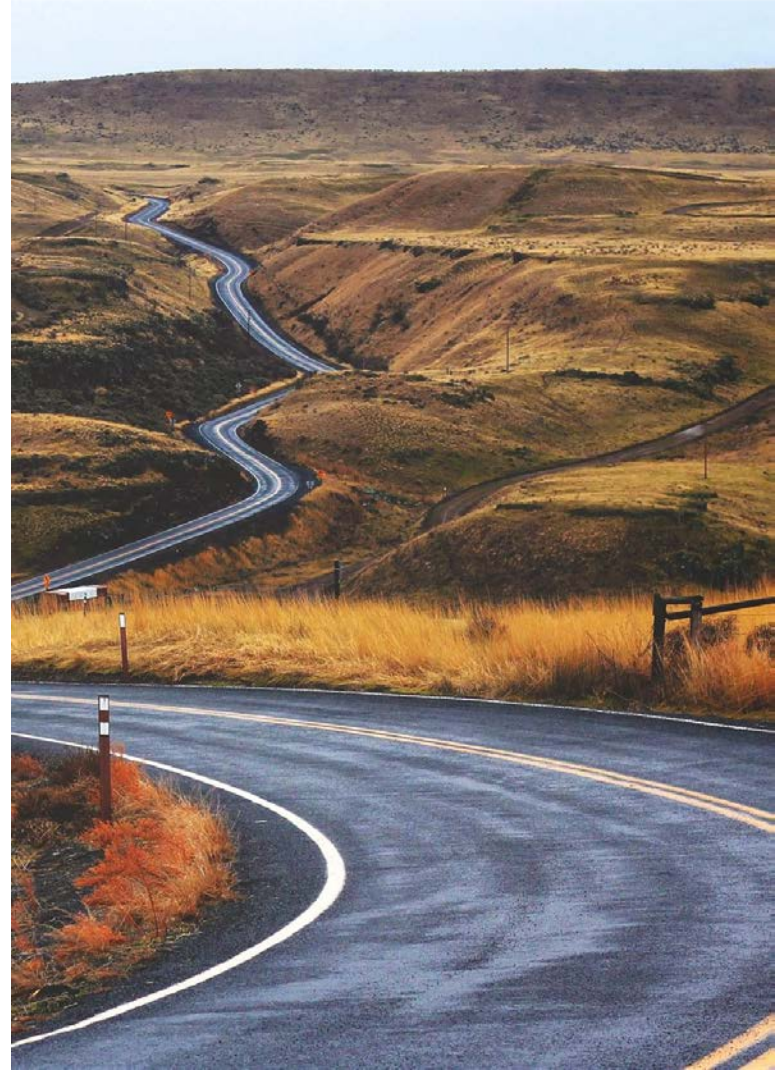
GESCNA Committee Hearings: **9**

Public Hearings: **2**

Study Missions: NYC, LA, New Orleans

Council Member meetings with CPC: 50+

Final Passage: **May 22, 2017**



# Creating Lasting & Meaningful Change

✓ Principles Become



Independent Institutions

1 Community Police Commission

2 Office of Professional Accountability

3 Office of Inspector General

NEW

# Ongoing Negotiation and Input from Community Police Commission

## Negotiation: Mutual discussion and agreement on the terms of a transaction or agreement

- Drafted, in conjunction with the Mayor's Office, the underlying ordinance
- All OPA Investigators will be civilians
- The Community Police Commission will have 21 Members: 7 appointed by the Mayor, 7 by the Council, and 7 by the CPC themselves
- 25% of Search Committees for the OPA Director and the Inspector General for Public Safety
- The abolition of the Discipline Review Board
- Joint reporting to Council with the OIG
- Maintenance of all recommendations for systemic improvement; classification of progress on these recommendations
- Participation in all Study Mission Trips, and at all GESCNA Committee meetings

# Timeline Moving Forward

GESCNA Committee schedule for Police Accountability Ordinance, all in Council chambers and open to the public:

**May 18th, 9:00-11:30am**

**Final Passage at Full Council:**

**May 22nd, 2:00 PM**



# THANK YOU

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