

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MARNI VON WILPERT COUNCILMEMBER • FIFTH DISTRICT

Dear Members of the Commission on Police Practices.

First and foremost, thank you for serving as Commissioners and performing a valuable role for our City.

I am writing to invite you to participate in the upcoming Public Safety Committee meeting on February 12th at 2:00 PM, where the committee will discuss potential amendments to the CPP Implementation Ordinance. This discussion was prompted by recent developments that have raised significant concerns about the Commission's operational stability and effectiveness.

Over the past several weeks, the CPP has faced unprecedented challenges, including the resignations of key leadership figures such as the Executive Director, Outside Legal Counsel, CPP Chair, Vice Chair, and several commissioners. The concerns, outlined in the exit memorandums from key personnel, underscore the urgent need for a comprehensive review of the CPP's framework to ensure it can fulfill its vital advisory role with integrity and efficacy.

As the governing body responsible for overseeing the CPP, the City Council has a duty to ensure that the Commission is equipped with the necessary resources, support, and structural foundation to operate effectively. To this end, the February 12th meeting will serve as an opportunity to initiate a thoughtful and collaborative discussion on the current state of the CPP. We will carefully examine the recommendations put forth in the exit memorandums and explore potential amendments to the CPP's structure, processes, and operational guidelines.

Your insights and perspectives are invaluable to this process. I strongly encourage members of the CPP, as well as the public, to participate in this important discussion. Whether through attendance at the meeting, public comment, or written correspondence, your contributions will play a pivotal role in shaping the future of the Commission. If you are unable to attend in person, I urge you to submit a written statement to ensure your voice is heard and considered as we work to address these challenges.

The Council remains committed to strengthening the CPP and ensuring its long-term success as a cornerstone of police oversight and accountability. I look forward to engaging in a productive dialogue and collaborating with all stakeholders to implement meaningful reforms that will enhance the Commission's effectiveness and ensure public confidence in its mission.



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Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I sincerely hope you will join us on February 12th to contribute to this critical discussion.

Sincerely,

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