TAKE ACTION!

Albina Ministerial Alliance Coalition for Justice and Police Reform

The City of Portland is appealing U.S. District Judge Michael Simon’s court order, which requires the City to appear at annual hearings assessing implementation of the Settlement Agreement between the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) and the City of Portland. The Settlement Agreement seeks to address allegations that the Portland Police Bureau has engaged in a pattern and practice of excessive force against community members with mental health issues or perceived to be in mental health crisis. While the City claims the appeal seeks “clarification” on the “frequency, scope, procedure, and evidentiary burdens” that the Court can apply in those hearings -- including what evidence can be brought forward by the parties, including the Portland Police Association and the Albina Ministerial Alliance (AMA) Coalition for Justice and Reform -- the paperwork filed clearly shows the City intends to challenge the Judge’s authority to hold those hearings at all and to ask questions about implementation of the Agreement.

Sign our petition calling on the Portland City Council to Rescind The Appeal!

• If the Council is truly committed to reform and accountability, an annual hearing with Judge Simon is essential to rebuilding trust with the citizens of Portland.
• Keep U.S. District Judge’s Independent Review of Portland Police Reforms. As a member of the community in the City of Portland, I am signing this petition to call on the City Council to:
  • Rescind the appeal of the judge’s order.
  • Stand firm in its commitment to police reform and accountability by participating in annual hearings.
  • Rebuild trust with the citizens of Portland. Let’s make the city safe for everyone!

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