Independent Court-Appointed Monitor's Quarterly Statement (Q3 2026)

Work Completed

During this quarter, the Independent Court-Appointed Monitoring Team (Monitoring Team) produced a DRAFT of its fourth semi-annual report on the City of Portland's (City's) compliance with the Settlement Agreement between the City and the United States Department of Justice (DOJ). The process of drafting this latest report included obtaining compliance-related materials from the City and the Portland Police Bureau (PPB) covering the Reporting Period of January 1—June 30, 2026, working closely with both of those entities to gather follow-up information and obtain clarifications as needed, and carefully analyzing all of the evidence we received to determine the City's compliance with the requirements in the Settlement Agreement.

A significant portion of our latest compliance report was dedicated to evaluating the City's own compliance assessments of the Settlement Agreement provisions that were in self-monitoring status. These evaluations were conducted to determine whether the City had maintained Substantial Compliance in accordance with its own self-monitoring plans for all such paragraphs. During the quarter, the Monitoring Team continued its efforts to consult with the City on the development of those plans with the aim of ensuring that they were sufficiently comprehensive and rigorous in their approach and design. We recognized notable improvements that were made by the City in this regard during the latest Reporting Period as compared with previous periods.

Another significant focus for the Monitoring Team during the quarter was conducting outcome measurements called for by the Settlement Agreement. This work included continued refinement of our assessment methodologies, obtaining and reviewing relevant information and data from the City and PPB, and conducting analyses to measure the prevalence of specific intended outcomes that the Settlement Agreement identifies. One aspect of our measurement efforts for this Reporting Period included the development and distribution of a survey to solicit input from Portland community members regarding their experiences with, and perceptions of, the City's and PPB's community engagement efforts. We reviewed and analyzed the responses we received and incorporated the results into our report. Pursuant to the process laid out in the Settlement Agreement, we submitted our DRAFT compliance report to the City and the DOJ for their comments (prior to its release for public comment and, subsequently, its finalization).

Also during this quarter, the Monitoring Team continued to complete numerous other tasks that are regularly called for as part of our monitorship of the Settlement Agreement. Importantly, for instance, we continued to engage with a variety of stakeholders in Portland to receive their feedback on any matters of relevance to the

Settlement Agreement. A non-exhaustive list of such stakeholders follows here (note that some of these engagements may have occurred in-person during site visits to Portland by Monitoring Team members during the quarter; others may have been conducted remotely; and some may have been a hybrid of those two):

- Portland Committee on Community-Engaged Policing (PCCEP)
- Interfaith Peace & Action Collaborative (IPAC)
- Focused Intervention Team Community Oversight Group (FITCOG)
- Albina Ministerial Alliance Coalition for Justice and Police Reform (AMAC)
- Mental Health Alliance (MHA)
- Muslim Advisory Council (MAC)
- Community Board for Police Accountability (CBPA)
- Citizen Review Committee (CRC)

All of these engagements provided valuable opportunities to continue hearing directly from Portland community members and organizations, and the Monitoring Team remains committed to sustaining connections like the ones referenced here throughout the monitorship.

Other tasks completed by the Monitoring Team during this quarter included presenting the findings of the last semi-annual compliance report that we completed to the United States District Court, District of Oregon (the Court) during a scheduled Status Conference; observing Police Review Board hearings; reviewing new and/or revised training curricula materials provided by PPB; and attending critical incident briefings. We also continued to observe the City's efforts to establish its new police oversight system, including progress toward the selection of a Director for the Office of Community-based Police Accountability (OCPA) and preparations for transitioning responsibilities from the current oversight structure to the new one. During one of our site visits to Portland during the quarter, we discussed these matters directly with CBPA leadership and staff.

Projection for Future Work

The Monitoring Team's latest compliance report remained in DRAFT status as of the end of this quarter, pending commentary from the City and the DOJ, as well as the public. In the next calendar quarter, we will consider all feedback that we receive on the report and make any revisions we feel are warranted. We will host our fourth Town Hall event to discuss the findings of our report, listen to comments about it from the community, and hear any thoughts of relevance to the matters addressed in the Settlement Agreement from members of the public who wish to share them with us.

The Monitoring Team will continue to complete our regularly recurring responsibilities throughout the next quarter, including attending any critical incident briefings, reviewing new/revised training curricula materials and PPB policies, and observing the ongoing transition from the City's current oversight system to its newly established one. We will also continue conducting outcome measurements, expanding on our previous work as appropriate. Finally, we look forward to maintaining our robust efforts to engage with the Portland community. Through in-person conversations during a site visit, remote calls with interested individuals and groups, responses to inquiries we receive over email, etc., we continue to value and appreciate the opportunity to hear from a broad spectrum of voices as we monitor the City's compliance with the Settlement Agreement.