

ATTACHMENT A

CIVILIAN PETITION FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD

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1. *Request:*

Within two months of the acceptance of this petition, a panel will convene to study the work compiled by Assistant City Manager on best practice models and costs for a Civilian Review Board.

2. *Background:*

The delegation of this work to the Assistant City Manager was announced at the February 8, 2017 Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meeting. As one of the recommendations of the Community and Police Trust Initiative (CPTI)), the recommendation for a civilian review board was first presented on November 18, 2015. On March 11, 2016 it was placed in one of three categories, that of Recommendations that have policy implications, as Item #14, according to a report by Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney to then Police Chief Joseph G. Yahner on that date.

Item #14 read as follows:

“Convene a panel of community members and at least one outside expert (City Manager) to explore the implementation of a Civilian Review Body to hear and review complaints against PPD with investigative powers to the extent permitted by A.R.S. with auditing authority and the ability to make substantive and binding judgments in connection with complaints. With six months of being convened, panel would provide a report on best practice models for a PPD civilian review board.”

According to the City Manager Ed Zuercher, the CPTI is now “in sunset” and he has no authority to move forward with this item.

3. *Panel Composition and Selection:*

The panel will be composed of

- Four Phoenix Residents
- Four Phoenix Police Department (PPD) Community Relations Officers
- City of Phoenix Attorney Brad Holm
- Assistant City Manager Milton Dohoney

The four Phoenix residents will be chosen from a list of community volunteers (leaders, Human Relations Commission Commissioners, and independents) by the City Manager and the PPD Community Relations Officers will be chosen by the Executive Assistant Chief Michael Kurtenbach.

4. *Timeline for Results on a Best Practices Model and Cost:*

Within six months of being convened, the panel will provide a report on a best practices model and cost for a Phoenix Civilian Review Board.

5. *Timeline for Presentation of Results to the Community:*

At meetings immediately subsequent to the report's completion, details will be presented for discussion to the City of Phoenix Human Relations Commission, the Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee, and the Mayor and City Council.

6. *Timeline for Funding:*

After determination by the panel and consideration by the City Manager, funding will eventually be included as an item for adoption during the 2019/2020 City Budget process.

Respectfully Submitted,

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