

April 9, 2018

Calvin D. Williams, Chief of Police City of Cleveland, Division of Police Department of Public Safety HAND-DELIVERED

## Chief Williams:

The undersigned Councilmembers are calling for your deployment plan to provide the option for a minimum of one mini station and one full-time, dedicated mini-station police officer located in each of our wards.

Working in conjunction with our Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and residents, we have determined that mini-stations are necessary to achieve public safety in our neighborhoods. Our CDCs and residents have consistently called for community policing through mini-stations during community meetings and private conversations.

The Department of Justice's consent decree focuses largely on community policing. When ministations were active in our wards, there was continuous engagement between officers and residents. Officers patrolled streets and developed one-on-one relationships with residents that allowed them to de-escalate safety threats and identify nuisances.

Mini-stations have proven to be invaluable community policing assets; therefore we implore you to include them in a deployment plan that delivers public safety.

Sincerely,

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Joe T Jones Ward 1 Michael Polensek

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Ward 7

Kevin L. Bishop

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