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November 18, 2019

To: Mayor Ted Wheeler
Commissioners Chloe Eudaly, Nick Fish, Amanda Fritz, and
Jo Ann Hardesty

From: League of Women Voters of Portland
Debbie Kaye, president
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Re: Public Involvement in the Portland Police Association Contract

Mayor Wheeler and members of the Council:

On July 30, 2019, the League of Women Voters of Portland wrote urging you to include feedback from the community as you set your priorities for negotiating changes to the Portland Police Association Contract. We are very grateful that you responded to our ideas and the voices of other local advocacy groups by organizing two community forums to gather public input. We strongly believe that providing opportunities for public participation and voices strengthens our democracy.

The League continues to encourage the City to support an open and inclusive process, a robust public engagement plan, and sufficient information to allow the public to understand how that engagement will influence the outcome.

We look forward to continued engagement with your office, our members, and the public on these important issues in the following months.

Thank you for your consideration and for your commitment to Portland.