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CPD Improvement and the Citizens Compliant Authority: Reporting and Accountability

The Citizen Complaint Authority (CCA) is at the heart of the Collaborative Agreement but it faces two major challenges. The CCA has been understaffed and the submitted complaints are not being investigated and responded to in a timely manner. At one point, the CCA had a backlog of over 100 cases, including many excessive use-of-force complaints. Secondly, new data and reporting suggest that when the CCA does submit to the Administration and the Cincinnati Public Department (CPD), their findings and recommendations for the cases they have investigated appear to be largely ignored.

We have now provided funding to fully staff the CCA, additional data collection and continuous improvement support for the Administration, with specific emphasis in our public safety efforts. However, we have not taken action to ensure that CCA recommendations are pursued.

If we are committed to real change and improvement within CPD, we must take action on CCA recommendations now. We need real reporting and accountability.

Real improvement cannot be achieved if CCA recommendations are ignored. CCA leaders report that they continue to make the same recommendations for change, and yet continue to investigate complaints that suggest no action has been taken on these repeated recommendations. Additionally, there is no structured or reliable process for Council and the Community to understand what recommendations have been submitted, and what actions, if any, were taken by CPD.

As such, **WE MOVE** that the Administration provide to Council monthly reports on the recommendations submitted by CCA to the Administration and CPD. This should include the type of recommendations submitted and responses to the recommendations, including actions being pursued. Additionally, within 60 days, the Administration should create a parallel report on all known prior CCA recommendations and responses to the recommendations. The goal should be reform and improvement through meaningful reporting and accountability.

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