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## **Hickey Files Monitoring Plan for Year Two of the Consent Decree**

Chicago – Independent Monitor Maggie Hickey filed the Monitoring Plan for Year Two of the Consent Decree with Judge Robert M. Dow, Jr. in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, which is available [here](#). The Plan includes the Independent Monitoring Team’s projected assessments from March 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, which is an extended time frame due to COVID-19 delays. The Independent Monitoring Team developed the Plan after extensive discussions with the City of Chicago and the Office of the Illinois Attorney General’s Office, the Parties to the Consent Decree.

Since the tragic death of George Floyd in Minneapolis in May, protesters across the country and in Chicago have called for police reform and increased accountability. Many of the calls for action include or relate to requirements across the Consent Decree and the Independent Monitoring Team’s Plan for Year Two. These reforms include those that reflect a commitment to constitutional and effective law enforcement; the sanctity of life; procedural justice; impartial policing; community policing; preventing and reducing the need for force; and a robust and well-functioning accountability system that is fair, timely, and consistent.

Specifically, the Independent Monitoring Team will continue to assess all 230 paragraphs in its Monitoring Plan for Year One in addition to 287 new paragraphs Year Two. By the end of Year Two, the Independent Monitoring Team will have addressed the City’s compliance efforts regarding 517 paragraphs, more than 75% of all monitorable paragraphs in the Consent Decree. The Plan also details the Independent Monitoring Team’s priorities for Year Two, which include assessing the City of Chicago’s, the Chicago Police Department’s, and other relevant City entities’ compliance progress regarding (1) missed deadlines from Year One, (2) new deadlines in Year Two, (3) key paragraphs without deadlines in Year One (“foundational paragraphs”), and (4) new foundational paragraphs.

“I hope that the current national discourse and momentum toward more police accountability and reform will inspire the City and its entities to continue the reforms it has made and make faster progress on the reforms it has yet to implement,” Independent Monitor Hickey said.

In Year Two, the Independent Monitoring Team will also release at least two special reports regarding (1) the IMT’s Community Survey and (2) the City’s and CPD’s responses to the recent protests and unrest.

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