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Dear President Johnson: Thank you for scheduling a meeting to discuss the FPC with Mayor Barrett. Your questions are good ones and deserve answers.

I'm writing to suggest you also ask the Mayor about Commissioner non-attendance at the interviews for police chief. As far as I can tell, Chair Soler and Vice-Chair McKenzie "boycotted" the private interviews because of their opposition to private interviews. Then, at the 11/7 public Q&A with the candidates, the only Commissioners in attendance were Commissioners McKenzie and Cocroft. This means that, apparently, Chair Soler has not yet participated in any of the interview process. Further, he and the others who didn't show up for the 11/7 Q&A evidenced disrespect for the candidates and for those whom they represent, the residents of Milwaukee.

How is the FPC expected to make a good decision about the next chief - an extremely important position - if they don't even listen to the candidates and to peoples' concerns and questions? Why is the mayor letting this happen?

Full disclosure - while a former resident of Milwaukee, I currently live in Shorewood. Nevertheless, I'm very interested in policing and police governance in Milwaukee. It is the "center of our universe," and I care deeply about the people and places of Milwaukee.

Respectfully,

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