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To: Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and Executive Director Todd
From: Paul Mozina
Re: FPC21058 SOP 460 – Use of Force and FPC21132 – SOP 970 Search Warrants

SOP 460.55 describes a **Use of Force Committee**. Please ask Acting Chief Norman – who is currently serving on this committee? When was the last time they met? When was the last quarterly review provided to the Commission by the **Use of Force Committee** per the requirements of the SOP? When was the last time this Commission reviewed a quarterly report from the MPD's **Use of Force Committee**?

Thank you Commissioner Cocroft, for bringing SOP 970 – Search Warrants forward for review by the Commission. The principles of the Disturbance Resolution Model described in SOP 460.10 should be integrated into SOP 970. The Commission needs to perform an audit of the MPD's use of no-knock search warrants, including the Search Warrant Risk Assessments and Briefing Reports required by the SOP. In the last 6 months of 2020 there were 70 no-knock search warrants executed by the MPD and they targeted **67 Black Men, 3 Black Women, 4 Hispanic Men, 2 White Men, 2 White Women and 1 Native American Male**.

It is long overdue that the Commission and the MPD acknowledge that the execution of a no-knock search warrant is a Use of Force by any reasonable definition. Just ask Ms. Chiah Hayes. She just received a settlement of \$7,500 from the Common Council for property damage done to her home by the MPD's Tactical Enforcement Unit and the FBI Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Gang Task Force*. Apparently, the pictures of the damage are so shocking that they could not be included with the file on Legistar.

Here is what Alderman Ashanti Hamilton had to say about the Settlement with Ms. Hayes:

I think this is an important motion for us right now. Because I think that there's a understanding that we need to have about the impact of how we deal with these issues in the community. Because sometimes we do more harm — than good — in doing this, and definitely can put this in the realm of negligence, that all of us have to take some responsibility for in the way that we approach handling, regulating, drug usage in our community, and whether or not our enforcement of that creates more harm than it creates

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safety and security in neighborhoods. It's something that I think we all need to take an evaluation of, and especially in law enforcement.

*CC File 201245 : Substitute resolution authorizing the payment of the claim of Chiab [sic] Hayes. for property damage in the amount of \$7,500.00.
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