

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## NOPD Consent Decree Federal Monitor to hold Virtual Public Meeting - 10/22/2024 FEDERAL MONITOR (OCDM) 10/22 VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING ZOOM LINK: https://sheppardmullin.zoom.us/j/98141505865?pwd=3DQMYKDV1Y5TuwVDpibLwAKbrs7lgr.1

The NOPD Consent Decree Federal Monitor (OCDM) will hold a virtual public meeting on Tuesday, October 22nd at 2:00 PM CST via Zoom to discuss NOPD's progress toward compliance with the Consent Decree, and to document all public questions and comments.

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On September 27, 2024, the Department of Justice and the City of New Orleans filed a <u>CNO-DOJ Joint Motion</u> requesting that Judge Morgan permit the City and the NOPD to enter the "Sustainment Period" of compliance, as provided for in Consent Decree paragraph 491. That motion was accompanied by a proposed <u>NOPD Consent Decree Compliance Sustainment Plan</u> which addresses specific <u>NOPD Consent Decree</u> requirements that require additional effort to achieve compliance, additional time for the Federal Monitor to review, or both.

That same day, the <u>Court's Notice to the Public</u> was issued that explained the process the Court will follow in evaluating the joint motion. Ultimately, the Court will determine whether to grant the Parties' motion to begin the Sustainment Period and under what conditions. That Notice provides that over the next 45 days, the Federal Monitor will hold a series of virtual and/or in-person meetings to hear community reactions and answer community questions. That Notice also states, "The Monitor will inform the Court of all issues raised in the course of those meetings." On <u>November 8, 2024</u>, the Court's Second Notice to the Public regarding motion to enter Sustainment Period was issued, and extends the period for public comment.

The Monitor will hold and promote additional opportunities for the public to review the City's and the NOPD's progress toward compliance with the Consent Decree, discuss the proposed Sustainment Plan filing, and to document all questions and comments related to the status of the NOPD Consent Decree for the Court to aid its evaluation of the Parties' September 27th motion. For more information, see the NOPD Consent Decree Monitor website: <a href="http://www.consentdecreemonitor.com">www.consentdecreemonitor.com</a>.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments to the Court before November 8, 2024.

via email to: <u>clerk@laed.uscourts.gov</u> or by mail, addressed to: Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court, EDLA, 500 Poydras St., Room C-151, New Orleans, LA 70130. Comments received by the Court will be made public and posted on the Court's website with the author's name, unless a separate motion to seal is granted.

Additionally, over the next 60 days, questions and comments are welcome from any member of the New Orleans community, including the media, and may be submitted to the Monitor by emailing to: aburns@consentdecreemonitor.onmicrosoft.com.

## More information about the NOPD Consent Decree can be found online:

NOPD Consent Decree Monitor: http://www.consentdecreemonitor.com United States District Court Eastern District of Louisiana: https://www.laed.uscourts.gov/case-information/mdl-mass-class-action/nopdconsent City of New Orleans/New Orleans Police Department (NOPD): https://nola.gov/nopd/nopd-consent-decree/