

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NOPD Consent Decree Federal Monitor to hold in-person Public Meetings - 10/28 & 10/29

Monday 10/28 Loyola University New Orleans College of Law - Room 112 526 Pine St, New Orleans, LA 70118 5:30pm-7:00pm cst

> Tuesday 10/29 Nora Navra Library - Meeting Room 1902 St Bernard Ave, New Orleans, LA 70116 11:00am-12:30pm cst

Tuesday 10/29
East New Orleans Regional Library - Large Meeting Room
5641 Read Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70127
5:00pm-6:30pm cst

The NOPD Consent Decree Federal Monitor (OCDM) will hold three public meetings on Monday, October 28th and Tuesday, October 29th to discuss NOPD's progress toward compliance with the Consent Decree, and to document all public questions and comments.

You may also participate in this week's in person meetings via "NOPD Federal Consent Monitor Public Meetings" Zoom link: https://sheppardmullin.zoom.us/i/98141505865?pwd=3DQMYKDV1Y5TuwVDpibLwAKbrs7lgr.1

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 to aid its evaluation of the Parties' September 27th motion. For more information, see the NOPD Consent Decree Monitor website: www.consentdecreemonitor.com.

The public is encouraged to submit written comments to the Court before <u>November 8, 2024</u>. via email to:

clerk@laed.uscourts.gov

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.

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

<u>United States District Court Eastern District of Louisiana:</u>

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/