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Patrick Conant

| Petition for equitable policing through data transparency (DRAFT TITLE)

Or

Petition for police accountability through data transparency.



Ashley Cooper

I like this title better. It infers that police accountability comes in many forms, data transparency is one. And the practice of "equitable policing" is many layered and we don't want them to believe that by being transparent with data, that immediately translates to equitable practices and behaviors.



Anonymous

What Ashley says is true; however it's also politically easier for Council to agree to be equitable than to agree to be accountable. We need to think about how potential signers will emotionally respond to the title and how City Hall will emotionally respond to it. I still lean slightly towards the "accountability" version, though.



Patrick Conant

I lean towards changing it to the "accountability" version as well, but I will allow others to weigh in.



Anonymous

How about just: "City Council: Release policing data NOW"? Short and direct ask that doesn't have any terms that might be difficult to understand.



Patrick Conant

I have edited to "accountability" version as my preferred choice for now.

It was originally "Petition for Equitable Policing Through Data Transparency.

I can see the value in the suggestion above that we make it shorter, less complex and more direct - but interested in other's thoughts.



Sabrah n'haRaven

I think it does need the "Petition for...." As an official document for Council, it needs to be absolutely clear what each document is (says someone with a zillion Council supplementary docs cluttering her computer.) Also, people like the idea of petitions; it tells them what role they can play and gets them invested in the action.



Patrick Conant

Thanks Sabrah - I added the "Petition for" text back.

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