



CITY OF SOUTH BEND
MAYOR JAMES MUELLER
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

September 28, 2020

Dear President White, Chairwoman Hamann and Councilmember Davis:

Thank you for your willingness to make further changes to Bill 12-20. The second substitution filed with the Clerk's office this afternoon has addressed many of the concerns raised by the administration, though I still believe the delegation of the Common Council's subpoena power to the Review Board is untested and will likely be challenged legally.

If passed, I am prepared to sign this version of the bill with the understanding that we continue to work together to implement 21CP's recommendations and to strengthen the collaboration and coordination among this Review Board, the Board of Public Safety and our Police Department.

Implementing meaningful reform to our public safety systems will remain a top priority of my administration, and I look forward to working together with you to take additional steps beyond this one.

Sincerely,

James Mueller, Mayor

cc: Common Council and City Clerk