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CITY OF MADISON

Registration Statement - Police and Fire Commission

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Agenda No.

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☐ Support

☐ Do not wish to speak

☐ Oppose

☐ Available to Answer Questions

☒ Neither Support Nor Oppose

☒ Wish to Speak

At this meeting are you representing an organization or a person other than yourself: ☒ Yes ☐ No
(If you answered "no," **STOP**; you need not complete the rest of this form. If you answered "yes," provide the name of who you represent and go on to the next question.)

Name, address and telephone number of each person or organization you are representing:

Madison Organizing in Strength, Equality, and Solidarity (MOSES)

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Are you being paid for your representation?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you appearing as part of your other paid duties for this person or organization?

☐ Yes ☒ No

(If you answered "no," **STOP**; you need not complete the rest of this form. If you answered "yes," go on to the next question.)

Speaking Limits:	Public Hearing (Common Council)	5 minutes
	Information Hearing	3 minutes
	Other Items	3 minutes

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Are you an elected official or employee who is appearing solely on behalf of your office or for your municipality or other governmental body? ☐ Yes ☐ No

*(If you answered "yes" to the question, **STOP**. You need not complete the rest of this form, except that you must sign this form. If you answered "no" to the question, go on to the next question.)*

If you are being paid for your representation, or if your appearance is part of other paid duties, please be advised that:

1. Before you engage in lobbying as a lobbyist, you or your principal must file an authorization with the City Clerk.
2. Your principal is not permitted to authorize you to lobby unless you are registered with the City Clerk.
3. Your principal must file expense statements with the City Clerk for the remainder of the calendar year regardless of the amount spent on lobbying.

(Please go to the City Clerk's website www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/index.html or go to the Clerk's Office at Room 103 of the City-County Building, Madison, for more information.)

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Signature *Barbie Jackson*

Print Name Barbie Jackson

Statement to Madison Police and Fire Commission regarding Police Chief Candidates
December 9, 2020

My name is Barbie Jackson. I am a member of MOSES, a founding member of MOSES Public Safety task force, and co-chair of MOSES Racial Justice for All Children task force.

MOSES mission is to build collective power to dismantle the systems of mass incarceration and mass supervision and to eradicate the racial disparities in our community that contribute to them.

We envision:

- an end to the systems of mass incarceration and mass supervision;
- an end to systemic racism;
- a reallocation of resources to create racial and economic equity; and
- a just society without discrimination in which all people thrive.

The purpose of our **Public Safety** task force is to improve public safety in Dane County and its municipalities and schools.

We envision:

- Reformation of public safety practices in Dane County.

The purpose of our **Racial Justice for All Children** task force is to eradicate the childhood to school to prison pipeline via strategic supports to reduce the generational deprivation experienced by children of color and children in poverty due to systemic racism.

We envision:

- Racial justice for all children, families and schools

On July 22nd of this year I submitted written and oral recommendations on behalf of MOSES regarding our expectations that a new Police Chief will reduce Madison law enforcement practices that have a negative effect on racial disparities, behavioral health, and mass incarceration, and that will expand measures to demilitarize the police and changes in police culture. MOSES' full recommendation is included in your materials.

The demonstrations in the wake of the murder of George Floyd reveal the depth of demand for change across this country, including in Madison. We seek a new Chief who both understands the work that is required and who has the skills and willpower to undertake that work.

Evaluation and award of the position to a new Police Chief with the vision and skills required to lead the cultural change in the Madison Police Department are critical to the Madison community. Although we are disappointed that the community was not engaged in your screening and selection of final candidates, we applaud inclusion of at least one person of color among the finalists.

It is imperative that the final offer be to a person with a demonstrated skill to turn an agency around and to put an end to a culture of racism and the inappropriate use of force. It is especially important that the person selected have a demonstrated history and commitment to avoidance of the use of lethal force in all settings, whether involving a mental health crisis, a substance use crisis, or any of the wide array of crises that may be encountered in police calls.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on behalf of MOSES.