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New Paltz Police Reform Committee to Host Town Hall Listening Session

The New Paltz Police Reform and Reinvention Committee (NPPRRC) will conduct its second public town hall Zoom meeting on January 27, 2021 from 7-9:00PM. This listening session is an opportunity for community members to share experiences and ideas with committee members before it begins crafting recommendations for improvements to enhance and improve the services of our police department. The town hall is open to the general public, and the link for the meeting will be made available closer to the date via the NPPRRC's website.

This is the second public session for the committee now that it has met with individual stakeholders. The committee encourages members of the community, who may not identify with any of the stakeholder groups it has met with, to come forward and express their concerns, ideas and suggestions on policing as it relates to the Governor's Executive Order No. 203: New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative.

The Town Board established the NPPRRC whose mission is to help identify and hopefully eradicate racism within the department using a collaborative problemsolving platform that will include elected officials, the police department and interested community members. Afterwards, the committee will draft policy and recommendations that will be released prior to another public comment session after which it will be presented to the Town Board.

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