



City of Detroit

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MEMORANDUM

TO: James White, Chief of Police
FROM: Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC: Hon. Gabriela Santiago Romero, Chair, Public Health and Safety
Standing Committee
Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Malik Washington, Mayor's Liaison

VIA: Hon. Mary Sheffield, President, City Council

DATE: 24 June 2024

RE: **REQUEST FOR REPORT ON POLICE CHASES
TERMINATING IN DETROIT FROM OTHER
MUNICIPALITIES**

In light of recent concerns about the safety and implications of police chases that originate in other municipalities and terminate within Detroit, I am requesting a detailed report from the Detroit Police Department (DPD) on this issue. Specifically, I would like the report to cover the following:

1. **Number of Police Chases:** The total number of police chases that began in other municipalities and ended in Detroit for the years 2022 and 2023.
2. **Incidents Resulting in Injury or Death:** Out of the total chases, the number of incidents that resulted in injury or death.
3. **Policy Change Recommendations:** Suggestions on policy changes that could be implemented to reduce the number of police chases entering Detroit from outside agencies.

Understanding these statistics and identifying potential policy adjustments are critical steps toward enhancing public safety and managing the risks associated with police pursuits. Your prompt attention to this request and thorough analysis will be greatly appreciated.

Please provide this report by mid-July 2024. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact my office at 313-224-1198.

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