



Creation of the Innocence Reclaimed Project

Item 2

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION REQUEST



Submitted August 10, 2023, by Council Districts 8 and District 4

Background

- Expungement education and assistance programs in other cities help expungement-eligible residents to eliminate barriers to equity. The CCR aims to remove barriers that limit economic, social, physical, and mental well-being.

Request

- The CCR requests the creation of the Innocence Reclaimed Project – a funded and staffed program to provide:
 - 1) legal assistance to expungement-eligible residents
 - 2) a continuous city-wide public education campaign, and
 - 3) wrap-around services to those who avail themselves of the right to expungement
- CCR notes that DEIA should administer the program.

Staff Recommendation



- Staff recommends this CCR to return to the Governance Committee in 60 days to allow more time for review and recommendations concerning resources and staffing.