



**City of Seattle
Mayor Edward B. Murray**

June 12, 2014

Seattle City Councilmembers
City Hall, 600 Fourth Avenue, 2nd Floor
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Councilmembers:

Our community has faced several tragic incidents of gun violence over the last week. These events have occurred while my Administration has been examining our overall approach to public safety and implementing reforms and measures of accountability for policing. As elected representatives for the people of Seattle, we have a collective interest and urgency to translate vision into action for all of our residents.

Public safety is our paramount duty and we must move forward together with a unified approach.

The first step in laying the foundation for the work ahead of us is to outline our agenda and framework for action. With your concurrence, I am respectfully calling for a special meeting of the Full Council under authority granted to me as Mayor by Article 5, Section 6(c) of the Charter of the City of Seattle. I am requesting your attendance in Council Chambers on Wednesday, June 25 at 1:00 p.m. to address the Council and the public on our plan for a safer Seattle. I will also be requesting the presence of my entire Cabinet and senior staff for this important address.

I look forward to opening the dialogue and sharing with you my vision for action as we work together to ensure that Seattle is a safe place for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward B. Murray".

Mayor Edward B. Murray
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