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Police Accused of Intimidation

Auditor says actions harm review board

Members of the Portland Police Bureau, from union leaders to top administrators, have taken actions that undermine the independence of the city's civilian police oversight committee, according to City Auditor Mary Hull Caballero.

that police intimidation is threatening the integrity of the review organization during a report she made last week to Mayor Charlie Hales and the City Council.

"It's a pattern of behavior that chill or obstruct the independent even suppress public complaints.

investigations," said Caballero, who oversees the city's Independent Police Review Division.

Her concerns were that a police chief - whom she did not name but whom Hales suggested was former Chief Mike Reese leaked confidential information to the Police Union from a 2013 police background check of an Independent Police Review applicant who was hired to be an investigator.

Constantin Severe, director of Caballero expressed concern the Independent Police Review, said leaks threaten to undermine the independence of the agency, which already struggles to gain legitimacy with a skeptical public. He worries the police actions that undermine their indepenappears to me to be meant to dence may hinder their work and

Boyfriend Guilty of Trafficking

(AP) — The boyfriend and to court in June. pimp of a Portland woman murdered by a Marine in Hawaii two birthday when she was killed. vears ago has pleaded guilty to a human trafficking charge.

Mark Miles Jr. admitted to a federal judge last Wednesday in Portland that he transported Ivanice "Ivy" Harris across state lines to engage in prostitution. The prosecutor and defense attorney will jointly recommend a threeyear sentence when Miles returns

Jetliner Crashes in Alps

An Airbus A320 operated by the

Germanwings airline, a budget sub-

sidiary of German carrier Lufthan-

sa, crashed Tuesday in the French

Alps, apparently killing all 150

people on board, including 16 high

school students from Germany. The

wreckage was believed to be on the

side of a mountain, inaccessible by

roads and covered in heavy snow.

People's Plan Policy Agenda

The Portland African American

Leadership Forum has a new

"People's Plan" policy agenda.

The group discussed its priorities for the future at a special meeting

last week. It wants more African

American community members to

step forward to help it ensure that the city develops with black needs

Harris was a day shy of her 29th

Marine Master Sgt. Nathaniel Cosby was convicted of the murder and is serving a life sentence in a military prison.

Harris' father, Marion Ivan Greer, said after the hearing that Miles did not make his daughter do anything. He said they were both "trying to taste that pot of gold."

The Week in Review in mind.

Racist Graffiti at Grant

Grant High School reported a break-in Sunday morning, along with racially charged graffiti, including a swastika, racial slurs, and other inappropriate images painted on both sides of a small shed and a nearby trailer. Anyone with more information is encouraged to call the Portland Police Bureau Youth Services Division at 503-823-4849.

Jail Death in Vancouver

A Vancouver man died in the Clark County Jail after an altercation with police officers. Michael J. Lvnch was arrested Fridav for driving under the influence, reckless driving, and hit and run. The same night, he activated the medical alarm in his jail cell and was admitted to the intensive care unit of a local hospital, where he died Sunday morning.

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