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City of Dodgeville Finance Committee 100 E. Fountain St. Dodgeville, WI 53533

Subject: Request for 0% Pay Increase for Chief of Police Position in 2026

Dear Members of the Finance Committee,

I am writing to formally request a zero percent pay increase for the Chief of Police position for the 2026 budget year.

Local governments nationwide are facing significant financial challenges. Despite this, the City Council and its various committees have worked diligently to provide competitive cost-of-living adjustments and wage and benefit increases for our city employees.

I believe my current compensation is fair and adequate. I strongly feel that our financial priorities should focus on the compensation and retention of our frontline and operational staff. Continued investment in our staff is essential to attracting and retaining the talented individuals who deliver the core services our community depends on. Competitive pay for these employees directly supports the success of our elected offices and the City of Dodgeville as a whole.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication to the City of Dodgeville. Your voluntary service and commitment to our community are truly appreciated.

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