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Williams death inquest jury gets it right

Statement of Common Council President Willie L. Hines, Jr. February 21, 2013

After months of an inquest investigation, I was pleased to hear an advisory verdict rendered today in the case that stems from the death in police custody of Derek Williams. The jury determined that there was probable cause to believe a crime had been committed, and that criminal charges should be filed against three of the officers involved in Williams's death.

I am grateful to hear that some strides toward justice are being made in the death of Derek Williams. This verdict marks a significant advancement in an attempt to hold individual police officers accountable for their actions.

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