



## Public Information Release

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### **Chief O’Hara meets with family of Allison Lussier, commits to continued investigation, and improvements in domestic violence response**

**April 15, 2026 (MINNEAPOLIS)** Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O’Hara announced that he and other MPD leadership met personally with the family of Allison Lussier to hear their concerns.

On April 14, 2026, Chief O’Hara and MPD leadership met with family of Allison Lussier and other community members they invited.

The investigation into Allison’s death remains an open homicide investigation, and Chief O’Hara has committed to working with Allison’s family and others while ensuring the MPD takes a fresh look at this case in an effort to continue to collect facts and evidence that may assist in obtaining a criminal charge.

Chief O’Hara has also committed to continuing to implement reforms in the MPD to ensure faster response times to domestic abuse and all emergency calls for services from the community, while also continuing to implement changes that enhance our ability to better respond to domestic violence and make more arrests whenever possible.

Allison’s family also raised concerns about a statement from the Chief reported in the media that characterized the drugs in her system as “massive,” and that this mischaracterization caused further harm to her family and loved ones. The chief apologized to Allison’s family for that statement, as well as for any and all shortcomings by the MPD in this process.

“I am grateful to Allison’s family and to community members who met with us and are willing to continue to work with us on Allison’s case as well as improving our response in domestic violence in general. I am sorry for the harm caused by my words. That statement caused real

pain to the family, to those who loved her, and to the broader community. I take responsibility for that impact. While I intended no harm and my comments were based on incomplete information provided to me, I recognize that intent does not lessen the harm. While I know we have high legal burden to overcome, we are committed to continuing forward with a fresh look on this case and continuing to enhance our response to domestic violence in general. We are asking anyone in the community who may have any information to this case to come forward.”  
– Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O’Hara

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