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## Police chief Ronal Serpas, independent police monitor sign agreement

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**New Orleans police chief Ronal Serpas** has signed an agreement with the city's independent police monitor that both say will ensure the monitor can help hold the long-troubled police department accountable.



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Independent police monitor Susan Hutson, right, listens as NOPD superintendent Ronal Serpas speaks during his swearing-in ceremony at Gallier Hall in May.

The memorandum of understanding was signed Wednesday at City Hall. It assures police cooperation with the police monitor as her office audits police performance and investigations of police misconduct.

Police monitor Susan Hutson was appointed earlier this year. The police monitor works in the city's **Inspector General's Office**.

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