

# Fw: Item G.4

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Forwarding this public comment for Item G.4 on today's Rules committee agenda in the event it hasn't yet been received by the agenda desk. Thank you.

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Dear Members of the Rules Committee and the San José City Council,  
As a member of PACT's Beloved Community Team, I join my colleagues in heartily endorsing the memo submitted by Mayor Liccardo and Councilmember Carrasco for item G.4 on today's agenda. I will be attending at least part of the meeting electronically and hope to voice my support publicly.  
Please accept my congratulations as I celebrate the resounding passage of Measure G with you, with my colleagues in PACT, and with all of San José!  
The passage of Measure G is a testament to the power of cooperation and collaboration among community members, elected leaders, and law enforcement:

- Over five and a half years, the Beloved Community Team, in partnership with other community members and agencies, has researched and advocated for measures that increase transparency and accountability in law enforcement, including the addition of investigative powers to the office of the Independent Police Auditor and the reform of the arbitration process.
- In crafting the language and intent of Measure G, you elected leaders and members of the Police Officers Association have responded to the urgency and timeliness of these issues.

Thank you!

However, now is no time to pause!

The actions that the memo calls for are precisely those that will increase public trust, demonstrate fairness, and ensure safety for community members and police officers alike. Taking these actions will signal that there is no room in our Police Department for *any* officers who cannot or will not uphold the honor and dignity of the office and show *all* community members respect and decency. Surely this is what all of us want for San José!

Please enact the recommendations of this memo! I look forward to congratulating you on the next step in the process and a successful outcome.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Hedges



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# First Unitarian Church of San José



Wednesday, November 18, 2020

**Dear Members of the Rules Committee and the San José City Council,**

**We members of PACT's Beloved Community Team heartily endorse the memo submitted by Mayor Liccardo and Councilmember Carrasco for item G.4 on today's agenda.**

As a member of the Beloved Community Team, I celebrate the resounding passage of Measure G with you and with all of San José! **Congratulations!**

The passage of Measure G is a testament to the power of **cooperation and collaboration** among community members, elected leaders, and law enforcement:

- Over five and a half years, the Beloved Community Team, in partnership with other community members and agencies, has researched and advocated for measures that increase transparency and accountability in law enforcement, including the addition of investigative powers to the office of the Independent Police Auditor and the reform of the arbitration process.
- In crafting the language and intent of Measure G, you elected leaders and members of the Police Officers Association have responded to the urgency and timeliness of these issues.

**Thank you!**

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The actions that the memo calls for are precisely those that will increase public trust, demonstrate fairness, and ensure safety for community members and police officers alike. Taking these actions will signal that there is no room in our Police Department for *any* officers who cannot or will not uphold the honor and dignity of the office and show *all* community members respect and decency. Surely this is what all of us want for San José!

**Please enact the recommendations of this memo!** I can't wait to say "thank you" and "congratulations" again!

Warmly,

Rev. Nancy Palmer Jones

Wednesday, November 18, 2020, 8:00 am

Dear Members of the Rules Committee and the San José City Council,

**We members of PACT's Beloved Community Team earnestly endorse the memo submitted by Mayor Liccardo and Councilmember Carrasco for item G.4 on today's agenda.**

Let me start by offering my **Congratulations** to you and all in San Jose! It was with overwhelming community support that Measure G passed!

In the carefully written language and intent of Measure G, you elected members and members of the Police Officers Association have resoundingly responded to the urgent needs of timely issues to increase transparency and accountability in law enforcement:

Notably: adding investigative powers to the office of the Independent Police Auditor  
reforming the arbitration process

For more than 5 years the Beloved Community Team, with other community members and agencies, have researched and advocated for these measures. The passage of Measure G is proof of the **power of cooperation and collaboration** among community members, elected leaders and law enforcement.

I applaud you all! But we must *not* hesitate or pause now.

The follow-up actions in the memo are the exact ones that will increase public trust, demonstrate fairness, and ensure safety for community members and police officers alike. By moving forward with the memo's recommendations you emphatically signal to all San Jose residents and beyond, that there is *no* place in the San Jose Police Department for *any* officers who cannot or will not uphold the honor and dignity of the office, and treat *all* community members with respect and decency.

All of us want this for San Jose and I urge you to **enact** this memo's recommendations!

Respectfully,

  
Lareen Jacobs