

Fw: Item 4.3 - Actions Related to Police Reform, Reimagining Police etc.

City Clerk

Tue 8/18/2020 10:10 AM

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From: Connor Crinion <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:54 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Item 4.3 - Actions Related to Police Reform, Reimagining Police etc.

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From: Amanda Law [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 9:04 AM
To: City Clerk < [REDACTED] >
Subject: Comment for 8/18 city council meeting: Opposition of proposed police training facility



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Thank you,
Amanda Law
San Jose district 6

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From: Jennifer Myhre <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 8:42 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Public comment--Item 4

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Dear City Council Members,

I teach at one of our local community colleges and am a member of Showing Up for Racial Justice. After decades of broken promises and empty reforms, Black and Brown communities continue to be the targets and victims of police violence, abuse, incarceration, as the budget for SJPD balloons at the expense of community programs. We must address the urgent needs of San Jose's Black and Brown communities. We are demanding that the City of San Jose defund the police and fully fund community services. Hundreds of people shared their experiences with you in the month of June about how the structures of policing lead to direct and ongoing harm and trauma. The people of San Jose have been engaging in ongoing protests about police violence and the ways in which institutionalized racism has weaponized policing against communities of color both historically and still today. What does democracy mean if you do not change your policy decisions after this public outcry? Budgets reflect values. We are asking you to value the lives of our Black and Brown neighbors. Thank you.

Jen Myhre

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From: Sarah Hollingsworth <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:38 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Public Comment- August 18, 2020 Council Meeting- Invest in communities, not policing

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Hello,

My name is Sarah Hollingsworth; I use she/her pronouns. I am a member of SURJ at Sacred Heart, and I live in Campbell, I teach 8th grade in Los Gatos and am an active voter in San Jose. After decades of broken promises and empty reforms, Black and Brown communities continue to be the targets and victims of police violence, abuse, incarceration, as the budget for SJPD balloons at the expense of community programs. We must address the urgent needs of San Jose's Black and Brown communities. We are demanding that the City of San Jose defund the police and fully fund community services.

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From: Adam Swift <aswift@mac.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:19 AM
To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Invest in communities, not policing

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Adam Swift

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Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 9:20 PM

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From: Elisa Legaspi <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 8:40 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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My name is Elisa Legaspi and I am a resident of district 6. I read about the proposed \$43 million dollar project to build a new police academy and I am strongly opposed. After the BLM protests and SJPD's violent responses to them, and after so many wrongful deaths of citizens at the hands of the SJPD, the city made promises to reform police practices. We were right to be skeptical that those promises would mean anything.

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From: Kara M <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 9:05 PM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Comment for August 18th City Council Meeting

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Mayor and City Council Members,

My name is Kara Mandujano and my family and I live in District 6. I just heard about the proposed \$43 million dollar project to fund a new police academy. Please know that I am strongly opposed. While I understand the critical role that police play in our community I have also witnessed violent responses to protestors of the Black Lives Matter movement and too many wrongful deaths at the hands of the SJP. There needs to be major reforms to the police department which do not begin with a \$43 million dollar police academy. Those funds would be much better spent on community services that are so critically needed in our most at risk communities here in San Jose. Those funds would also be better spent by pulling together the thought leaders of our community to develop a 25 year vision on how to dismantle systemic racism in our community with detailed steps and timelines.

This proposal for a new police academy is beyond tone deaf and I hope you will vote NO!

Thank you,

Kara Mandujano

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Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:37 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

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My name is Amanda Henry, I am a resident of San Jose and volunteer board member with the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the ACLU of Northern California. We are continuing to call on the City of San Jose to divest from the police department and fully invest in community services. Our community needs long-term mental health services, affordable housing, rent relief, and youth community programs; not more policing. It is appalling that while community members continue to demand justice and accountability, the city is making plans to spend \$43 million on a new police training complex. This is the time to listen to your community.

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Amanda Henry

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Fw: 4.3 Police Reform, re-envisioning police, IPA investigative power

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Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 10:47 AM

To: City Clerk <[REDACTED]>

Subject: 4.3 Police Reform, re-envisioning police, IPA investigative power

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Hello Council Members,

When complaints are filed against police, police investigate themselves. How is it possible these investigations are thorough and in the best interest of the citizens filing the complaints? The IPA has no power to investigate and must take what the police say at their word. All the IPA can do is to request further investigation or more documents, which SJPD notoriously resist. Prior IPA Aaron Zisser pushed back three times. Police refused to share documents, were minimally compliant, and launched a hate campaign against Zisser pushing him out of office. This is unacceptable. The IPA, not police committing the acts being investigated, must have investigative **power**. Otherwise the IPA can only act as a rubber stamp that drags the rest of the city into the violence of the police department.

Thank you for your time,
Brian Parkman

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Fw: Defund police & fund community services

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From: Cory Laurence [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 8:51 AM
To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>
Subject: Defund police & fund community services

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From: Diana Rendler [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:42 AM

To: City Clerk <city.clerk@sanjoseca.gov>

Subject:

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Hello,

My name is Diana, I am a member of SURJ at Sacred Heart, and I live/work/shop/go to school in San Jose. After decades of broken promises and empty reforms, Black and Brown communities continue to be the targets and victims of police violence, abuse, incarceration, as the budget for SJPD balloons at the expense of community programs. We must address the urgent needs of San Jose's Black and Brown communities. We are demanding that the City of San Jose defund the police and fully fund community services.

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Re: Public comment of Ladoris Cordell for San Jose City Council Meeting

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To: Pereira, Paul <[REDACTED]>

Thanks Paul, it will be posted.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:10:09 PM
To: Agendadesk <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fw: Public comment of Ladoris Cordell for San Jose City Council Meeting

Good evening

Judge Cordell wanted to speak tonight but was having connection issues likely related to the rolling power outages. She asked to submit this dfor the record on her behalf as part of public comment for Agenda items 4.1 - 4.4

Thank you

Paul Pereira
Office of Mayor Sam Liccardo

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From: ladoris cordell <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 9:01 PM
To: Pereira, Paul <[REDACTED]>
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PUBLIC COMMENT OF Ladoris Cordell FOR SAN JOSE CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 18 AUGUST 2020

While I address my brief comments to the proposal concerning the IPA office, I want you to know that I am enthusiastically supportive of all of the recommended actions.

During the five years that I was the IPA, the office did the best it could to hold officers accountable for misconduct, but we always had our hands tied because when complaints were made, the police investigated themselves and made their own findings.

With this proposal, accountability for police misconduct takes a giant, and long overdue leap forward. It will be the IPA office, and only that office, that will investigate all complaints of misconduct ---courtesy, neglect of duty, bias-based policing, force, procedure, search & seizure, and conduct unbecoming--- all of them. And as importantly, the IPA will make the findings for all allegations of misconduct. No longer will the police police themselves in San Jose.

Here's just one example of what happens when the SJPD investigated complaints of misconduct: Of the 430 complaints alleging bias-based policing between 2010 through 2018, only one based on race was sustained, with the great majority of the complaints labeled "unfounded" by the Department.

So, this one change, if approved, will do a great deal to build the community's trust in holding police accountable.

I urge the council members and the community to support this proposal. It is not anti-police; quite the contrary, it is pro-accountability, which benefits us all.

Thank you.

REMARKS OF LADORIS CORDELL FOR SAN JOSE CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 18 AUGUST 2020

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