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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 9:11 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

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Name: Jennifer **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** , Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

My name is Jen, and I have been a Pasadena resident for seven year. I love this city and its community. I believe its leadership wants to do right by its citizens, but it's clear to me that not all citizens are equally counted. Living in a community with many racial minorities I have seen the disparity in how our city is policed, and I believe relying on structures within the status quo to change the status quo are not enough. A police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power are a step in the right direction. This commission is needed to begin rebuilding community trust and righting the wrongs brought on our disadvantaged communities by PPD, such as the killing of Anthony McClain and many other injustices.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Kimberly Williams
Email:
Phone: 626-
Address: Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor and City Councilmembers,

I couldn't believe it, an officer involved shooting in Pasadena. Marches, protests, anger, tears, shock and disbelief. How do you sleep at night? My rest has been uneasy. My fear is the death of more African Americans! Don't wait another second, be on the front page for doing good. Join me, let's agree that it's time to vote Yes for police oversight.

Sincerely,
Kim Williams

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Kyung Min Lee **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

The Civilian Oversight Commission proposed by Mayor Tornek and Kennedy is SPINELESS. Not only does it address little to nothing on the systemic issues of militarization / overpolicing of Northwest Pasadena that led to Anthony McClain's death, it doesn't fundamentally alter the relationship between the community, the City Council, and Pasadena Police Department in ANY MEANINGFUL WAY. Disqualify nominees and appointees with financial, personal, political, business ties to real estate developers and police unions. PULL COPS from conducting traffic searches (LAPD just committed to this, this practice short of stop and frisk is what killed Anthony McClain). BAN COPS from responding to non-violent calls. We DO NOT need armed officers to aid a mentally ill person experiencing an episode. We DO NOT need armed officers to assist an unhoused neighbor if she's having health issues. Mandate trained mental health experts and homeless services to respond and assist those folks. STOP CRIMINALIZING Black people. STEP UP PASADENA. I feel extremely humiliated to be a lifelong resident of this racist city.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Samella	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Yarbrough			Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

As retired educator, community volunteer, member of the NAACP and member of Metropolitan Baptist church, I write this letter in support the proposal for a Civilian Police Oversight Committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee. Councilman John Kennedy was one my students and he always work to create justice and equality for all and his vision of understanding that this city needs a Civilian Police Oversight Committee is spot-on and I am asking the City Councilmember to siege the moment, the time is now, Vote "YES and show the community that you to understand justice and equity!" I believe that the Pasadena Police department will come to appreciate the Civilian Police Oversight Committee and hopefully an Independent Auditor will be part of the approved proposal.

We are a community that must work together and the proposal is a step in the right direction which we can work to improve as needed. This is an historic time for our community, be on the right side of history and again, I ask you to please vote "YES".

Thank you!

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Name: Maria Cano **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

We desperately need a civilian oversight committee, preferably one with subpoena powers. Pasadena police need to be accountable to the public, just as every other public servant should be.

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Name: Nicole Virdone **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

I would like to redeclare my support for an independent police oversight committee, especially after the death of our community member Anthony McClain. I hope this committee can also contribute to redesigning some aspects of police training so that deescalation is always the first response. Because of fear, Anthony McClain was not given his right to due process, nor presumed innocence. Because of implicit bias, Anthony McClain's daughters no longer have their father. And because of current police training, our community is traumatized again, including the police officer who will have to live his life knowing he took the life away from another human. I hope we can come together to change this NOW. We can no longer wait. Thank you.

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Name: Charles Hunt **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena,
California 91104

Comments:

In moments like these, improvement and change are possible only if those tasked to lead will listen, respond, and act in the best interest of the people they serve. My name is Charles Hunt and I am a son, husband, father, and pastor in this city. The issues and questions surrounding the death of Anthony McClain as well as other concerns, demand a response. The time is now to help this community feel heard, known, and cared for not just beaten, used and killed. In order for this community to be heard we demand Empowered Oversight of the Pasadena Police Department. This oversight must include investigatory authority, subpoena power, policy review and reform authority, appropriate funding, multi-faceted training (including civil rights), bans on members with conflicts of interest and an enforceable disciplinary role. DO NOT give us a glorified Complaint Board with no power. DO NOT wait to gather more information. I stand with my community and demand safe, accountable, transparent, community-focused policing. ACT now to provide ALL Pasadenans with an empowered police oversight body. You have the ability to listen, your hold the responsibility to respond, and you have an imperative to act, do not miss your opportunity to lead.

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Name: steven **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:**
williams Ct., Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

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Pasadena City Council
C/O City-Clerk/Public-Comment

My name is Steven Williams. I am a resident in an unincorporated area of LA County adjacent to Pasadena. The City of Pasadena has a significant place in my family's life. We have lived in this area for over 30 years. We have raised our children, worship, entertain and support local businesses in and throughout Pasadena.

I am asking you, the elected leaders, to create a police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power. There is no ambiguity in our ask to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights.

In difficult times building trust is the key to building community. An independent oversight commission would be good for our law enforcement sector and the residents of this city.

Thank you,
Steven

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Alexandra E Hartman			Los Angeles, CA 90027

Comments:

Hello,

My name is Alexandra Hartman and I grew up in Pasadena District 7, where my parents still live. It is important to myself and the rest of my family that you, our elected officials, create a police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power. There is no ambiguity in our ask to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights.

Thank you,

Alexandra Hartman

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Name: lola **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
Mallory Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Greeting Mayor Tornek and Councilmembers,

"The police are the public and the public are the police; the police being only members of the public who are paid to give full time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence." —Robert Peel

If this is true, I would think the Pasadena City Council would strongly consider voting yes on the Civilian Oversight proposal that is presented by the Public Safety Committee Chair Councilmember John J. Kennedy. Why is this important? At this point and time in our history – it is required, right now the sea is raging, and we need calm. It is easy to hold the helm when the sea is calm, it is hard to hold when it is raging – tough decision, during tough times. As a life-long resident of Pasadena, I am calling on you to have the courage to stand up and speak up for the voters you serve. Have the courage to listen to the people and the desire to do their will.

God bless each of you! Thank you.

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Name: Kathryn Kroger **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena,
CA 91106

Comments:

1. Release all records of use of force complaints, investigations, and conclusions made by police or City Council in the past 5 years. Provide a mechanism for regular release of such materials.
2. In case of an officer-involved shooting, release unedited body-cam footage to the family of the deceased or to the family's legal counsel, within 24 hours after the incident.
3. Do NOT grant nomination power to the Chief of Police to appoint a member of the Oversight Commission.
4. Permit Black Lives Matter Pasadena the right to nominate one member of the Oversight Commission. (Proportionately increase the # of appointees if it increases)
5. Disqualify nominees or appointees of the Oversight Commission who have financial, personal, political, or other business ties to real estate developers or police unions.
6. City of Pasadena commit to immediately dropping charges against Nafissa Kaba, whose 11-year-old son was maced by a police officer moments after Anthony McClain's death.

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Name: Andy Bertolucci **Email:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

I am a white male parent of 4 who loves this city and is establishing roots here as a young family. Our plan is for our children to attend Pasadena public schools because I want my children to have diverse friends. I have concern that I will have to explain why sometimes their friends of a different color are treated different by police, who we hold in high regard in our family. My concern stems from an increase in police brutality. The review body being presented to me needs to have an independent review system that does not have a conflict of interest in its reporting or members as I believe that weakens the body and community trust. Also the board should be able to present information for or against someone who has been investigated when determining a possible punishment for action. In addition, I am seeing a rising need for new training that is less aggressive and oversight into police spending such that money is not leaving necessary community building opportunities between the police and Pasadena. I am voicing my opinion because I see this body as a necessary step to both protect our community (officers and civilians).

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Christina Honchell			, Pasadena, California 91103

Comments:

We need Pasadena to create a citizen oversight commission made up of those community members most impacted by police violence, selected by the City Council in an open, transparent, and public process. Additionally, we need to hire an Independent Police Auditor who does not report to the City Manager, who has subpoena power to provide true oversight in the review and investigation processes along with the commission. It's time to do the right thing for Pasadena.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
David Cutter			Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

As a Pasadena property owner and business owner, I am concerned about the health and safety of our community. I am very sad to see the police enact what amounts to extra judicial killings. I realize police officers are in a difficult position but that makes the need for serious community oversight all the more urgent.

I urge you to support the creation of a Civilian Oversight Commission and Independent Police Auditor with subpoena power. We've had too much inaction on this issue. Now is the time. Please approve agenda item #6 and move our community forward.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Janet Swartz **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** PASADENA,
California 91105

Comments:

I am writing to go on record about the dismal handling (on all fronts) of the recent officer-involved shooting resulting in the unnecessary murder of Anthony McClain. It is inconceivable that the council and PPD voted on August 3 against the proposed model of police oversight. The City and its City Council must enact a robust Civilian Oversight Committee with authority to hold the PPD accountable for its continued and frequent violence against members of our community. I support the immediate development of an Civilian Oversight Committee comprised of community members most impacted by police violence, selected by the City Council in an open, transparent, and public process. The City should seek and immediate outside investigation of this brutal murder and current policy for excessive force.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Name: Brad Griffin **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:**
Ave, Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

It is past time for Pasadena to create accountable community police oversight and establish a truly independent auditor. The current proposal needs strengthening in order to establish independence and community review, but accountability can wait no longer. We are living in the wake of a recent street killing of yet another Black man, with no officer accountability. I encourage the City Council to begin reimagining the systems needed in our community to help black Pasadena residents thrive and reverse the longstanding impact of systemic racism and white supremacy built into the fabric of this city.

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Name: Jennifer Park **Address:** San Marino, CA 91108

Comments:

Hi, my name is Jennifer Park, and I'm a San Marino resident. I'm horrified at the murder of Anthony McClain by Pasadena police, and am concerned that there is, and has been, a severe lack of accountability and transparency in the Pasadena police dept. I'm following the McClain case and have viewed the available video footage. I understand this is not all of the footage, nor is the main video released by Pasadena police, unedited. It is, in fact, edited with narration by police. Where is the unedited footage? Why did the police officers escalate the situation? Why did the officer shoot Anthony, who was clearly running away? Why did paramedics take an entire 15 minutes to arrive, after Anthony was already shot? Why did the officer press his knee into Anthony's back, allowing him to bleed out into the grass, when clearly Anthony was injured and could not get up? This is sickening violence from Pasadena police. I demand that there be a police oversight body, with an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power. There is no ambiguity in our ask to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights.

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Name: Faith Romasco **Email:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

My name is Revered Faith Romasco. I serve as a Pastor at PazNaz, located in District 4 and established in Pasadena for over 100 years. We've come to you collectively before and you expressed that it was too soon to act to establish Police Oversight as outlined in the Community Bill of Rights; but now it is too late for Anthony McClain, just as it is too late for Kendrec McDade and Reginald Thomas. So like Moses and Aaron who came before Pharaoh 10 times over, we come to you again. We demand Empowered Oversight of the Pasadena Police Department. This oversight must include investigatory authority, subpoena power, policy review and reform authority, appropriate funding, bans on members with conflicts of interest and an enforceable disciplinary role. The Independent Police Auditor should be housed in a separate City Prosecutor's office, not the City Attorney's office due to the grave conflict of interest there. The commission and IPA should have explicitly stated authority to both Conduct and Review investigations. The police chief should enact recommendations made by the community oversight board unless such recommendations are deemed illegal. Please act now to provide Pasadenans with an empowered police oversight body.

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Name: Jessica Erin Blackshaw **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** , San Francisco, CA 94109

Comments:

My name is Jessica Blackshaw, and I was born and raised in Pasadena. My family and friends still live in the city. I am requesting that Pasadena create a police oversight body composed of an independent auditor and community members with subpoena power. Please align with the Community Bill of Rights.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Anna Joy Griffin **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** , Pasadena, CA
91103

Comments:

Pasadena needs community police oversight and a truly independent auditor right now. This proposal needs to move forward immediately and is absolutely necessary in our community right now because of our need for police oversight. Men and women are dying because of our lack of police oversight. The main concern with the proposal is that it stays heavily tied to city officials and police oversight and brings potential questions about the ability of the auditor to be fully independent. Please take action on this need for police accountability in Pasadena. Further, I encourage the City Council to begin reimagining the systems needed in our community to help black Pasadena residents thrive. The people of Pasadena are calling for the removal of the systems, structures, and barriers that prevent black community members from thriving. Creation of the oversight committee and a truly independent auditor would be the first step in many steps to come to bring change to our harmful systems. Thank you.

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Carly			, PASADENA, CA
Lopez			91101

Comments:

This is Carly Lopez and I ask in the very least. I am asking you, our elected officials, to create a police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community for the community members for the commission with subpoena power. There is no ambiguity in our ask to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights.

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Name: Sarah Hilbert **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena, California 91104

Comments:

Hello, Pasadena City Council,

I have watched with horror in the last week at the killing of Anthony McClain by Pasadena Police and the subsequent obfuscation of the facts of this incident by city officials, Chief Perez, and the PPD. Moreover, I have watched as peaceful mourners and protesters have, at numerous points, been maced, harassed, and, late last week, chased off City Hall property and be forced to take all-night sanctuary at All Saints Church. I am embarrassed, dismayed, and shocked that a national crisis involving the over-policing and murder of Black bodies has now landed on my doorstep. These incidents have led me to even more firmly believe that we must absolutely have a civilian-led Oversight Commission of the Pasadena Police Department. The community will continue to demand that its City Council create an oversight commission that does not simply make unenforceable recommendations to the PD but holds the police force accountable for its ongoing violence and cover ups. I strongly request that you seriously consider a Commission that comprises community members most impacted by police violence and who are selected by Council in an open, transparent and public process.

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Name: Brian Biery **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Anthony McClain's death is a tragedy for our entire community. Effective civilian oversight of the Pasadena Police Department is sorely needed in our city. It will provide a mechanism by which these types of heart-breaking scenarios are analyzed in order to develop improved policies. It will not bring him back. In addition, we should be discussing the root causes of hopelessness and desperation and be asking why Anthony was in the situation he was in. Inequity, injustice, systemic racism, power controlled by the few. What are we doing to change the trajectory of his life? To prevent this scenario from happening in the first place? How are we supporting public education? What efforts are we putting forth to make sure that all families have access to high quality pre-school and child care? What are we doing to provide opportunities for employment and small business ownership for minorities and women? And does everyone in our city have quality health care? Until we address these issues of injustice and inequity honestly, then we will continue to deal with the tragedies that they spawn. Subsequently, the oversight system will be tasked with dissecting these horrific incidents, but not preventing them.

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Name:	Email:	Phone: 626-	Address:
Mikala			Street, Pasadena, California
Rahn			91104

Comments:

For years, we as a city have been talking about a creating a Community Police Oversight Commission. We have had task forces, consultants, committees, focus groups and more. Given the current context in our nation related to policing and our recent shooting by the police, it is time to stop debating this issue and just get to work. We need a Community Police Oversight Commission. It needs to be independent and not report to the police, City Attorney, City Clerk or the City Manager. This is not a statement against our current city leadership. I have the utmost respect our City Leadership and have confidence in Chief Perez. Our public safety including policing requires a wider, unbiased lens that has no potential bias of protecting the city instead of protecting the citizens. The community deserves answers from an independent body. As most of you know, I have been involved with these issues for years through Learning Works and Homeboy Industries. It's just time. Please create an independent Commission which will create a more healthy and transparent community for all of us.

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Name: Rev. Jerred K. McDaneil
Email:
Phone:
Address: Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a community police oversight commission as presented by the Public Safety Committee. After the Officer Involved shooting event of August 15, it is of utmost importance that the Council approve the proposal. There must be some accountability! Councilman John Kennedy envisioned the need for a Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee many years ago - now is the time to Vote "YES!"

Our Community is crying for justice!! The Pasadena Police department will appreciate the Civilian Community Oversight and an Independent Auditor – we will learn to work together.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a basic platform on which the City Council will be able to improve.

I am hopeful that each member of our City Council will stand on the right side of history. Please vote “YES” for the proposal before you submitted by the Public Safety Committee.

Sincerely,

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Rev. Jerred K. McDaniel
First A.M.E. Zion Church Pasadena
Senior Pastor

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No