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Name:	Phone:	Address:
Tyesa Morey		Pasadena, California 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

Maya Angelou said that Courage is the most important of all the virtues, because without courage you cannot practice any other virtue consistently. Please capture the courage that is required for you to step to the dais and vote in support of the Civilian Police Oversight proposal as presented by the Public Safety Committee Chair Councilmember John J. Kennedy. This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a basic platform on which the City Council will be able to improve.

My 12-year-old son Christopher joins me in asking for your vote - let us show him that you want to invest in his future by yielding a Yes vote! When we read about the Officer Involved shooting that took place on Saturday, August 15 our heart was shaken, but our faith remains strong in believing that we will have a positive outcome tonight! Again, please VOTE YES!!

Thank you!

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Ann Hassett **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I am writing to express my concern for passage of the proposal for a community police oversight commission as presented by the Public Safety Committee.

Once again our community is facing turmoil after an Officer Involved shooting on August 15; it is critical that the Council approve the proposal.

The Pasadena Police department has agreed that we need the Civilian Community Oversight and an Independent Auditor – this proposal is a way for us to begin to work together. Councilman John Kennedy has presented a thoughtful proposal for Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee - now is the time to Vote "YES!"

Therefore I suggest that each member of our City Council vote "YES" for the proposal before you submitted by the Public Safety Committee.

Sincerely,

Ann Hassett

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Name: Traci Glover **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** ~
Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Greetings Mayor Tornek, City Council:

This last officer involved shooting should be your last straw. Vote "Yes" for an Independent Auditor and Civilian Police Oversight Committee. After the Anthony McClain shooting, we need a viable committee more than ever. Oversight is a good thing, Civilian police Oversight is better and it's best with a Independent Auditor. I recommend that you vote for the Civilian Police oversight w/independent auditor without hesitation.

Thank you,
Traci Glover

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Name: Matthew Ortiz **Email:** **Phone:** 818- **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91214

Comments:

1. Make available and release to the public all records of use of force investigations, conclusions, and complaints, made by the police or the City Council within the past five years, and provide mechanism for regular release of such materials.
2. In case of officer involved shooting, release unedited body camera footage to the family of the deceased or 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 (With the right to increase the number of nominees proportionally if the number of the commission 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. Along with immediate actions to amend the oversight commission, Black Lives Matter Pasadena demand that the city of Pasadena commit to immediately dropping charges against Nafissa Kaba, whose eleven year old son was maced by a police officer moments after Anthony McClain's death.

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Maya		482-1172	Road, La Crescenta, CA
Porcelli			91214

Comments:

The vote on the proposed Community Police Oversight Commission must be delayed, as it needs amendments to truly protect black lives.

The amendments are:

1. Make available and release to the public all records of use of force complaints, investigations, and conclusions made by the police or the City Council within the past five years. Regularly release this information as well.
2. In case of an officer-involved shooting, release unedited body-cam footage to the victim's family 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 (with the right to increase the number of nominees proportionally if the Commission expands)
5. Disqualify nominees or appointees of the Oversight Commission who have financial, personal, or political ties to real estate developers or police unions.

In this historic time, the people of Pasadena call on you to ensure that we put an end to death of innocent Black lives once and for all.

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Name: Lisa Henderson **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:**
Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Hello Mayor and Council:

I'm not exactly sure why we're afraid to put an Civilian Oversight committee in place. With all that has happened in the country and the City of Pasadena for that matter, I vote for transparency.

Thank,
L. Henderson

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Barbara M. Williams			Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers

I support the proposal for a community police oversight commission as presented by the Public Safety Committee. I feel that we need this happen after the Officer Involved shooting on August 15, 2020. Mayor Tornek there must be some kind of accountability! And I support Councilman John Kennedy. He envisioned the need for a Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee many years ago and now it is time to Vote "YES!"

Our Community is crying out for justice!! A YES Vote is a step in the right direction. I am hopeful that each member of our City Council will stand on the right side of history.

Sincerely,

Barbara M. Williams

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Name: Ia Brown **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** Pasadena, CA
91104-4013

Comments:

Support the Pasadena Community Bill of Rights!

George Floyd's killing by Minneapolis police reminds us of Pasadena's own need for police reform. Pasadena has its own list of recent victims of police abuse, including (but not limited to) Leroy Barnes, Kendrec McDade, J.R. Thomas, Paris Holloway, Rashad McCoy, and Chris Ballew.

Protests across the country are a call to action for all of us. We NEED LOCAL RACE RECONCILIATION We must do our part to lift up this movement nationally, and to establish a new path forward that we can all be proud of.

It is the responsibility of our Pasadena Mayor, City Council, City Manager, and Police Chief to do whatever is possible, within their authority and resources to address the injustices made visible in recent weeks. It is an opportunity to respond to the calls for justice and action rising in communities nationwide and here in our own city.

Today, we call on you to adopt the Pasadena Community Bill of Rights (view the document here: <https://bit.ly/pasadena-cbr>). It is time to rethink the role of police in our community, what we mean by "public safety," and how the police interact with our communities, particularly communities of color.

Ia Brown

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Name: Katherine Hunter-Blyden **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** St., Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Hello Mayor and Council,

I am a Pasadena resident, and have been for a long time. Things became clear to me after the Anthony McClain shooting. The time is now, I believe that an Oversight committee is in order. Vote Yes for the Civilian Police oversight committee.

Thank you,
Kathy Hunter Blyden

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Name: Angela B. Jones **Email:** **Address:** r., Pasadena,
CA 91107

Comments:

Hello Mayor and City Council,

I have been an observer of the recent Pasadena Police incident. It only makes sense that the Pasadena Police Department and Citizens have an objective 3rd party in place. I am in total agreement with an oversight committee.

Thank you, Angela Jones

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Name:	Email:	Phone: 626-	Address:
Leanne			Pasadena, CA
Moore			91101

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a Civilian Police Oversight Committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee. 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.

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Name: Dori Larsuel	Email:	Phone: 626-	Address: Altadena, CA 91001
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Comments:

Hello MAyor and Pasadena City Council,

As a tax paying citizen, I believe in a non political, unbiased 3rd party to make some decisions and recommendations. Therefore, I am in favor of the Pasadena Civilian Oversight committee. I am a close neighbor who patronizes Pasadena most days.

Thank you,
Dori Larsuel

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Charmayne Mills-Ealy			1 Av, Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Pasadena Mayor and City Council,

I am your neighbor who loves visiting Pasadena, After the Anthony McClain shooting, I am 100% in favor of a Police Oversight Committee. The he said, she said, the police said, the citizens said, does not work for me. Your untimely decision could make you appear biased. Vote Yes, for a Pasadena Civilian Oversight committee.

Honestly and Sincerely,
Charmayne Ealy

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Name: Stephanie Mire Robinson **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** , Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Greeting Mayor and City Council,

As an observer reading the paper and listening to the news, I never know what to believe. I am totally in favor of the Oversight committee that will assist me with the facts and unbiased opinions. I want to support my city but I need to know what to believe. Please put the Civilian oversight in place adding the Independent Auditor.

Thanks,

Stephanie Robinson

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Name: Alycia Gardner Moore **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** ,
Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Greetings,

After the Pasadena Police incident of August 15, 2020, I have starting following the latest developments. With a case like this, you need a Civilian oversight committee. What the African American citizens of Pasadena need right now, is trust. Trust, in the facts that the case will be delivered fair and correct. Please toss your full support behind an Oversight committee. Both Pasadena and Altadena residents will benefit with your Yes vote.

Thanks

Angela Moore

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Name: Helen Nicholson-Dotson	Email:	Phone:	Address: Pasadena, CA 91109
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Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council,

Thank you for your service. I am a Pasadena resident with kids. I would sleep better at night knowing that if something were to happen, a Civilian Police Oversight commission was in place. I'm confused about your hesitation and delay. I presumed that this was done years ago. But, I learned recently, that it was stopped in its tracks. I am hopeful that you will vote Yes this time. Another officer involved shooting, and no independent committee, shameful. I am 100% in support of the Civilian oversight commission with the independent auditor.

Thank you for your time,

Helen Dootson

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Name: Leslie Richard **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Hello Mayor & City Council,

As a Pasadena resident, I don't believe that the citizens are always right nor the Pasadena police department. We need an independent Over Sight committee to help define who's right in each instance. It's time to vote yes, for Civilian police oversight.

Thank you,
Leslie Richard

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Name: Joyce Richey **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council,

Way too many African American men are dying, whether at the hands of their community or by the police. I recall a mention of Pasadena having a Oversight committee, but it didn't get traction. It would make sense to get on board and to make it happen. If you need an excuse to do the right thing, the McClain officer involved shooting is the perfect excuse, to vote Yes.

Thank you,
Joyce Richey

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Name: Allison Williams **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
St., Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Pasadena Mayor and City Council.

I'm disgusted by the death of someone who I've never met. My neighbors are confused, and my Pasadena family is angry. When events happen like the one last Saturday, it is best that the City be fair in their response. A Community Oversight commission does just that. The best way to get answers is, with an independent oversight committee.

Thank you.

Allison Williams

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Name: Kathi **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
Younker Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Hello Mayor Tornek and City Council,

I support a Civilian Police oversight committee 100%. What I don't understand is why some of you have worked against the idea. African American men are dying. the AMA published a report urging lawmakers to act on police reform to protect public health. Police reform can begin with a Police Oversight committee with independent auditor. I urge you to vote Yes on Police oversight.

Thank you,
Kathi Younker

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Lourdes González			Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

To the City of Pasadena,

I reside in district 3 of the city. I urge the city to create an independent oversight committee. In light of recent fatality with office involved shooting it is imperative that we have an independent body to investigate the death of Anthony McClain. This is owed to us specially those living in northwest Pasadena. We need a transparent investigation. Since the age of 5 nw Pasadena is home. have witnessed over the years how friends and family interactions with the police led to negative outcomes resulting in long term harm on our community. We are owed independent oversight for situations like the recent killing of Anthony. I demand that our city and police department re-imagine and change how they interact with residents in our community those who come from lower socioeconomic status and most often also Identify as POC. Self monitoring equipment like video cams is not going to create a more conscious police officer. What we need is for our elected officials and police force to see us as human and value us, represent us and fight for us. If you can't do this then look forward to getting a new career.

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Name: Rev. Argola Haynes **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

I support the Tornek-Kennedy police oversight proposal.

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Name: Kristin Reutimann **Email:** **Phone:** 323- **Address:** ., Pasadena, CA
91103

Comments:

Good Afternoon Mayor Tornek and Council members,

I speak to you today as a city resident to once again call upon your timely action to create an independent Police Oversight Commission made up of community members. I strongly urge the hiring of a full-time Independent Police Auditor, with subpoena power.

The fact you have actually discussed the “haste” of the process is disturbing.

Discussion of greater police oversight has been on the table for years. Over the past few months you have received more comments in support of reform than for any other issue the Council has considered in the past decade.

It is disappointing the tragic deaths of community members has not resulted in action by the City Council to reduce the chances of such fatal incidents. Other cities have managed to reduce fatal interactions between law enforcement and residents.

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