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From: City Web
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 6:29 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

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Name: Lester estrada
Email:
Phone: 323-
Address: Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

My name is Lester. I reside in district 3 and I urge all our elected officials to have an outside independent oversight committee in the matter of Anthony McClain's death at the hands of Pasadena police. This must be done for the well being of our community and the integrity of the police department. Thank you

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

Approving Agenda Item #6 is the most basic of steps the City Council could take to demonstrate that the City's elected leaders actually care about the safety and well-being of residents who have suffered from decades of systemic racism.

Community support for reform has been overwhelming. Now is the time to take action. Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Bridget
Email: ""
Address: , Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

We demand justice for the murder of Anthony McClain. Please release the camera footage from all officers at the scene from the night he was murdered. The police are in urgent need of oversight! The commission should be more representative of the people who they work for and include at least one BLM representative.

Thank you,
Bridget

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Mary Villanueva **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** 3, Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

Dear Council Members,

As a Pasadena resident I love and care about the health and safety of our community, I urge you to support the creation of a Civilian Oversight Commission and Independent Police Auditor with subpoena power. After years of inaction on this serious public health and safety issue, now is the time to move our community forward.

Thank you,

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Carol **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** 3
Potter Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

We're past that he time for action on this and frankly, as a commissioner myself, I fear that an oversight commission wouldn't have the experience or power needed to follow through and create change. Therefore I support a City Prosecutor's Office that's independent of the City Attorney's Office as the only real solution.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 8:12 AM
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Name: Hazel Clayton **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** ---
Avenue, Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council Members,

I was appalled to hear about the August 15 police shooting in the back of another African American male. According to the news he was running away from the officer and there was no apparent threat. As the mother and grandmother of law abiding, tax paying African American males, I can no longer be silent. More than ever, we need a community police oversight community to make police accountable for their actions. Therefore, I support the proposal for a community police oversight committee. Please do the right thing and pass this proposal.

Thank you.

Ms. Hazel Clayton

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Name: Mya Taylor **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91030

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,

Mya C. Taylor.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Bin Lee **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

As a District 1 resident who believes that we need to do more to protect our fellow Pasadenans from unnecessary police brutality, I support a Civilian Oversight Commission and Independent Police Auditor with subpoena power. I also want this to be just the start of overall social reforms to prevent the unjust negligence of marginalized people in our neighborhood. Thanks for your time, and Black Lives Matter!

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: April **Email:** **Address:** PASADENA, CA
91101

Comments:

Like many residents of Pasadena, I was horrified but not entirely surprised to hear about the senseless death of another Black person at the hands of law enforcement. Anthony McClain, his family, his friends, and his community deserve accountability and justice, as do all victims and survivors of police violence. We need to know the names of the officers involved in this killing, we need them to be fired, we need a proper & independent investigation, we need the Pasadena PD and the City of Pasadena to reckon with its history of law enforcement violence against its Black and Brown residents, and we need to take big steps to move into a future that is free of this inequity and violence. We need an Oversight Commission that represents and is reflective of the entire community, the concerns and needs of all of us, not just the wealthy white few.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Joanne Long **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

On Thursday evening I watched the biased, narrated video that the PPD released. Despite all attempts to make this shooting seem justifiable, it is very clear to anyone watching that Anthony McClain was gunned down in broad daylight and this was murder. Hours after the PPD murdered Anthony McClain they were in La Pintaresca Park interacting with his grieving friends and neighbors. Yet again they showed us exactly who they are. There was no comfort offered, no humanity on display. They used tasers and pepper spray when they could have just walked away so the community could grieve in peace. But this is who the police have become all across America, and Pasadena is no different. Look at what they are doing to this country and tell me they are anything but an out of control violent and dangerous gang. City Council had an opportunity to show that they understand what is happening but yet here we are. Councilmember Madison says this is all just some political game to help the Mayors re-election. What an insult. They have not given us the independent oversight we have asked for because they simply don't get it. It is what it is.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Brad **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
D Strawn Street, Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

I am a resident of Pasadena and reside in district 1. I am a pastor at Pasadena First Church of the Nazarene (i.e., Paznaz), established over 100 years ago, clinical psychologist and professor at Fuller Seminary, over 75 years in Pasadena. I have been dismayed and grieved over the recent shooting here in Pasadena. I am urging you, our elected officials, to create a police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power for the sake of accountability. There is no ambiguity in the communal ask to adopt the full Community Bill of Rights.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Gwen **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:**
Lisboa Ave., Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I wholeheartedly support police oversight. The Anthony McClain shooting has force Pasadena to be in the news in a negative manner. You have a chance to turn this negative publicity into a Positive one. Vote Yes, on a Civilian Police oversight committee.

Thank you

Gwen Lisboa

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Lynda			
Thomas			Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and Council,

Vote yes, on the Civilian Police Oversight committee. After the officer shooting with Mr. McClain, all eyes are on your actions. Do the right thing, Vote yes, for the sake of the Beautiful City of Pasadena.

Sincerely,
Lynda Thomas

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Kirsten
Hansen

Email:

Address: Sierra Madre, CA
91024

Comments:

My name is Kirsten Hansen. I am a Sierra Madre resident who recognizes the importance of Pasadena policies to the surrounding towns and cities. I encourage the adoption of a community police oversight commission because by providing civilian oversight to the police, we can make everyone safer.

I am asking you, our elected officials, 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.

Sincerely,
Kirsten

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Name: Lorie Washington	Email:	Phone:	Address: Dr., Pasadena, CA 91107
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Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council,

I love living in Pasadena! People always mention the lovely dining and shops on Colorado, and the New Years Days events. But, now I am almost walking in shame. The 'why' isn't what people see now, its the aftermath of the actions of those involved. This is your opportunity to come out on top, setting an example for other cities. Vote for and implement a civilian oversight commission, without delay.

I am sadden by the recent events,

L. Washington

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Name: Caitlin Diaz **Email:** **Phone:** 956- **Address:** Ave, Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Our community is in mourning. Another Black man was MURDERED by Pasadena PD with no reason, no accountability, no transparency. The police has tried to control and shape the narrative as to why Anthony McClain was shot IN THE BACK THREE TIMES. There is no justification for murders like these to happen.

I urge the City Council members to listen to the COMMUNITY'S demands:

The people of Pasadena demand police oversight, a COMMUNITY based committee (chosen by the community and NOT city council) with an independent auditor 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: The Reverend Peter Huang
Email: _____
Phone: _____
Address: _____, Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

Dear City of Pasadena leaders,

I am the Reverend Peter Huang and a long time Pasadena resident in District 7 (21 years) and small business owner in District 5 (13 years). I am a priest in the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles and serve as its Missioner for Asian Pacific American Ministries. I also am a Marriage & Family Therapist in private practice in District 5.

I love the City of Pasadena and want the best for this city AND its residents. I write to ask you, our elected officials, to create a policy oversight body comprised of independent auditors and selected community members for the commission with subpoena power. There is no ambiguity in this request to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights.

Please read this comment as part of the meeting.

Sincerely,

The Rev. Peter Huang, M.Div., LMFT

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Name: Cecile **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:**
Davis Anderson , Pasadena, CA
91103

Comments:

Dear City Councilmembers,

I ask that you stop the political game playing, and implement a Civilian Police oversight with an independent auditor. The country is watching to see how you will handle this latest officer involved shooting. Surprise everyone, even the police union, Vote yes for the people.

Sincerely

C. Davis Anderson

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Shalamar Grissom **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** , Pasadena, CA 91105

Comments:

Mayor/City Councilmember:

I'm in disbelief, I can't believe that during a pandemic, we have an officer involved shooting. I absolutely agree Pasadena is long overdue in implementing a Police Oversight board. I also agree the Auditor cannot be on the city payroll. Please band together, vote Yes!

Thank you,
Shalamar Grissom

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Nancy Stiles **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

I am the leader of a youth serving non-profit in Pasadena that Anthony McClain was part of as a teenager. I am horrified by the video showing the Pasadena Police killing him. I have many questions - but the most pressing is why was the officer's body cam who shot him turned off? Why was he shot in the back? I demand oversight of the Pasadena Police department that includes subpoena power and is housed in a separate City Prosecutor's office, not the City Attorney's office so there is no conflict of interest. The commission and the IPA should have explicitly stated authority to conduct and review investigations. Anthony's death shows us the deadly results of PPD's training, policies and procedures. We need safe, accountable, transparent, community-focused policing. Please act now and provide Pasadena with an empowered police oversight body, so there are no more deaths like Anthony's.

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Name: Katja
Guenther

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Road, Pasadena, CA
91107

Comments:

Dear City Council Members,

I am disappointed that you voted on August 3rd against a robust model of police oversight that would have given the oversight commission some actual authority over the police department. The people of Pasadena will continue to demand that our City Council create an oversight commission that is empowered to hold the police department accountable for its corruption and violence, such as the recent killing of Anthony McClain.

Today, I am writing in support of the development of a Community Police Oversight Commission made up of community members most impacted by police violence, who are selected by the City Council in an open, transparent, and public process. The City must also hire an independent police auditor (IPA) who does not report to the City Manager, and who has subpoena power to provide true oversight in the review and investigation processes.

Thank you for taking immediate, necessary action to establish the Community Police Oversight Commission.

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Sincerely,
Katja M. Guenther
Pasadena, CA 91107

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Name: Marsha Reed **Email:** **Phone:** 626- **Address:** Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Hello Mayor Tornek and Council,

I agree that Police Oversight is very important component to help African Americans have trust. The independent unbiased results can put the citizens at ease. I support the oversight committee 100%,

Thanks,
M. Reed

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Janet Ramirez			Rosa Ave, Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

The City of Pasadena is in need of a community police oversight as the Pasadena Police Department has shown it is incapable to protect the lives of Black and Brown communities.

The death of Anthony McClain is an unfortunate example and was unjust. The officers involved must be discharged as they conducted the traffic stop unethically. The police department creates fear among the community instead of protecting us.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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