

**PUBLIC COMMENT
FROM JUNE 1, 2020
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING**

Martinez, Ruben

From: City Web
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 9:35 AM
To: Public Comment; City_Council
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on June 1, 2020 about Agenda Item 20

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Name: Wes Tilgh Blover **Email:** **Address:** Decline to give,
Pasadena, CA

Comments:

What's the impact of Rose Bowl bonds on city finances? Victor Gordo was the leader on that and everything Rose Bowl for 10 years.. Waste of money for luxury that most fans will never see. But wait did he have a luxury suite for his union buddies and campaign supporters for every event. Free food and booze. A success for VictorvGordo.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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From: City Web
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Public Comment; City_Council
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on June 1, 2020 about Agenda Item 19, 21D, 22

Public Comment for Meeting on June 1, 2020 about Agenda Item ~~19~~²⁰, 21D, 22

Name: Leigh **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** 1
Ann Greenfield

Comments:

~~19~~²⁰ - I am in support of budget allocations that prioritize schools, social services, and economic relief for our most underserved communities.

21 D - I am in support of continuing the weekend lunch program, and continuing/expanding any such programs providing needed resources for our community.

22 - I am in support of the Rental Assistance Program, and allocating any funds possible to help low-income residents whose ability to pay rent has been impacted by COVID-19.

As a citizen of Pasadena, I want to see our community take steps forward in providing affordable housing, services for the homeless, and developing a more community-focused and accountable police force.

Thank you all.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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From: City Web
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2020 11:06 AM
To: Public Comment; City_Council
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Name: Alanna **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:**
Klosterman Ave, Pasadena, CA

Comments:

Due to COVID-19 and the increased unemployment rate, I question why housing funds are not increasing any more than prior years--not to mention the decrease to public health funds. Furthermore, as police funding accounts for more than any other budgeted category (aside from water & power), are we taking into account the CURRENT/PROJECTED crime rate versus CURRENT/PROJECTED homeless/unemployment rate to account for the wide margin of funding between police and housing and where this money may be better distributed?

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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From: City Web
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2020 1:07 PM
To: Public Comment; City_Council
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Name: Anne Kelly
Email: [REDACTED]
Phone: [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED], Pasadena, California

Comments:

Hello, my name is Anne Kelly, and I am speaking on General Public Comment.

We are in the midst of a global health pandemic — thousands remain unhoused and millions are at risk of joining those ranks. Black, Brown, poor, institutionalized and unhoused bodies are at the greatest risk of being exposed to and dying from COVID-19. These are the same folks who are disproportionately impacted by police violence.

The People have spoken. They want the city to invest in universal needs like quality housing for all, universal access to healthy food, financial and economic support, climate justice, free and quality public transit, public health and mental health support. They want the city to divest from traditional policing. I ask you adopt a People's Budget that emphasizes Care not Cops.

Thank you for your time.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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From: City Web
Sent: Monday, June 01, 2020 1:26 PM
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Name: Kristen Sales **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA

Comments:

I am concerned to see in the revised FY 2021 Budget (Statement of Appropriations by Department) that the allocation for Police has increased dramatically, not only from Annual FY 2019 expenditures, but during this time when the City has decided to cut personnel (aka jobs) and tighten their belts in other departments. This is particularly appalling when Public Health, Public Works, and Transportation budgets are being decimated (and Library and Information Services barely given any leeway). During this pandemic, the residents of Pasadena rely on their municipal services and especially health resources, to stay safe and sane. Dispatching police sirens to wail down Colorado Blvd. every night at 8pm does nothing to help people feel safe. CURFEWS DO NOT MAKE PEOPLE SAFE. Police presence in our community escalates violence. I would strongly urge the City Council to re-center their efforts on providing services to the community (like buses, COVID testing centers, and PW improvement projects), instead of arming the police. The vigil for George Floyd last night at City Hall was peaceful. We do not want cops terrorizing our neighbors and neighborhoods. We want cops marching with us for justice. Focus on enacting protections for your residents, not on bankrolling police.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes