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**From:** David Beard <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 4:57 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** In support of Patrice Marshall McKenzie

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Dear committee members, it is critical that authentic community voices who have ties to the people most directly affected by police violence are on this commission to truly make a difference and drive the change that is needed to successfully and safely police everyone in the community; Patrice Marshall McKenzie is that person. As a life long resident of Pasadena, and a Black man, I humbly ask that you give strong consideration to her candidacy to the Community Police Oversight Committee.

Humbly submitted by,  
David W. Beard, Pasadena, Ca. 91103.

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**From:** peg rahn <[peg.rahnpasadena@gmail.com](mailto:peg.rahnpasadena@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 5:59 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** APPOINT DR MIKALA RAHN TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

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[correspondence@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:correspondence@cityofpasadena.net)

I am writing to you to urge you to appoint Dr. Mikala Rahn to the Oversight Commission representing the community-based organization Learning Works. She has extensive knowledge and experience in the community of Pasadena and issues related to policing.

For the past 15 years, Learning Works has worked with people of color— youth, young adults and family members impacted by policing and incarceration. Improving community policing aligns directly with the organizations mission.

Her skills as a researcher and former school Board member will be very useful to forming this Commission. Dr. Rahn's work has been focused on people living in poverty who are disproportionately affected by policing.

She is passionate about this and is an outstanding, effective leader in the field!

Yours, Adele Peggy Rahn

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**From:** Tami M. <  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 6:44 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Community Police Oversight Commission-Support for Patrice Marshall McKenzie

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

My name is Tami Mims, and I live in Altadena. I have lived, worked, and volunteered in Pasadena and Altadena for over 40 years.

As a proud member of Women in NAACP (WIN), I am writing to support the nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission. Patrice was nominated by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Pasadena chapter for one of the CBO (community-based organization) seats.

We believe strongly that the CBO seats on the Commission should be held by those who have actively worked in the community and have earned the trust and respect of the community, especially on issues of justice and equality. I believe Patrice's work with the NAACP, The Good Trouble Alliance, Pasadena City College, Pasadena Unified School District, Junior League of Pasadena, Union Station Homeless Services, National Women's Political Caucus- Greater Pasadena Area, and a host of other community and faith-based organizations make her best suited to represent the community on the Commission.

She has also stepped up to help undergird the work of the newly formed Women in NAACP (WIN) committee. Her voice on women's issues and investing in the development of women leaders are vital to helping to elevate the voices of women in our community. It is this unique perspective that we feel will add value to the Community Police Oversight Commission.

I strongly support her nomination for a seat on the commission.

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**From:** Gerald Riberio <g.riberio@cityofsanfrancisco.gov>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 7:23 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Oversight Committee Potential Member - Patrice Marshall=McKenzie

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To Whom It May Concern,

**Patrice Marshall-McKenzie** is the perfect candidate for the **Police Oversight Committee**. For as long as I have known Patrice, she has been actively involved in our Chapter as well as the Community. As the Oversight Committee does Internal and External checks and balances aimed at ensuring that police carry out their duties properly and are held responsible if they fail to do so, I understand that such a system is meant to uphold police integrity and deter misconduct and to restore or enhance public confidence in policing. This is where **Patrice Marshall-McKenzie** comes in. She would absolutely make sure that the integrity of the police department refers to the normative and other safeguards that keep police from misusing their powers and abusing their rights and privileges.

I believe that the actual benefits that occur depend on how well the involved groups work together and the type of model implemented. **Ms. Marshall-McKenzie** would make certain that the Oversight Committee worked well with the Police Department and the Community.

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**Ms. Marshall-McKenzie** has lead our Chapter to many new heights that NO one believed the Chapter could sustain.

Here is part of what she did for our Chapter that would also work on the Oversight committee.

{1} **She gave our complaints a voice.** She would do the same for the Oversight Committee in giving the complaints a voice outside of the law enforcement agency.

{2} The **Community-at-Large** can be assured that discipline is being imposed when appropriate.

{3} She created an **Oversight Committee** within our Chapter. She would make certain that the **Oversight Committee** helped improve the quality of the department's internal investigations of alleged misconduct.

{4} When a complaint or allegation comes to her, she would make certain that the complaints are validated.

{5} Just as she has done for our Chapter, she would make certain that the Oversight Committee exonerates the police officer.

{6} She would make certain that the **Oversight Committee** help in improving the community relations by fostering communication between the community and the police agency.

{7} She would be the one to help the **Oversight Committee** increase the public's understanding of Law Enforcement policies and procedures.

{8} **Ms. Marshall-McKenzie** can also assist in jurisdiction in liability management and reduce the likelihood of corrective measures before a lawsuit is filed.

**Patrice Marshall-McKenzie** would be an excellent addition to the Oversight Committee.

***Gerald Chestnut Riberio***  
Member of AKA ELO Chapter

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**From:** Mildred Dockery < \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ >  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 8:51 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Cc:** Charmayne Mills Ealy  
**Subject:** Sending Support for the Selection of Dr . Alexis Abernethy to the Pasadena Police Commission

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Dear Pasadena City Council,

I strongly suggest that select Dr. Abernethy as one of the members of your Police Commission. She is highly qualified and would be tremendous asset to this Commission.

I have known Alexis as a member of the Pasadena-Altadena Chapter of The Links, Inc. for almost 20 years and I can attest to her integrity, honesty, and fairness.

Please give her your support.

Mildred Dockery

Member, Pasadena-Altadena Chapter of The Links, Incorporated.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:27 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a Seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

My name is Emily M. Brooks, and I have been a resident and property owner in Council District 6 for fifty years. For sixty five years in AKA, my life has been dedicated to community service. This commitment to service exceeds the time Alpha Kappa Alpha - Eta Lambda Omega was chartered in Pasadena, CA (1960). Alpha Kappa Alpha has an even longer legacy of service (1908). My family member(principally, Eugene T. Brooks, architect) served on a number of Pasadena commissions (1988 to 2013). My specific contributions include work with the Young Authors Project, Union Station programs, and scholarship projects.

The purpose of this memo is to endorse the nomination of Mrs. Patrice M. McKenzie for a position on the Community Police Oversight Commission. As a resident and member of our organization, I have observed Mrs. McKenzie's service in the community and her work on Pasadena City College partnership projects, Pasadena Unified School District partnership projects, and the Good Trouble Alliance. Her skills in communication, collaboration, and management demonstrate superior effectiveness. Her service with programs for Hillside, Union Station, and the Good Trouble Alliance illustrate contributions in the area of social justice.

I believe Mrs. McKenzie's values and skill profile will be most beneficial to the Commission and to the City of Pasadena.

Sincerely,

Emily M. Brooks

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**From:** Margaret Stewart <...>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:28 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** SUPPORT Dr. Mikala Rahn

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Writing in support of Dr. Mikala Rahn for a seat on the newly formed Citizen Oversight Police Commission. Dr. Rahn founded and continues to direct the community based organization, Learning Works. I have worked with Learning Works and know what a powerful and positive force it is for the marginalized youth of our community. Dr. Rahn has excellent skills in organizing and leading community organizations and in her work must understand the many sides of police interaction with the community.

With appreciation for your work I strongly support the appointment of Dr. Mikala Rahn.

Sincerely,  
Peggy Stewart

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Pam Cosse <  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:38 PM  
**To:** Flores, Valerie; PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Public Safety Committee - Community Police Oversight Commission April 19, 2021 @ 4:00 pm

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To whom it may concern:

Please find my correspondence/comments regarding the Public Safety Committee April 19th meeting at 4:00pm for the Community Police Oversight Commission regarding Dr. Alexis Abernethy.

Thank you.

Pamela Finney Cosse

If there was a job description for this appointment, it would have everything that Dr. Abernethy already possesses. Let's see - prior experience in a police department as a psychological consultant - check; PhD. in clinical psychologist - check; African American who happens to be a woman - check; extensive publications in biases - both implicit and explicit - check; caring & compassionate- check; excellent listener - check; team player - check; prior service to the community - check; I think you get my point. What else could you want which leaves me confused why there's still a discussion at this point regarding her appointment to the Police Oversight Commission. Dr. Alexis Abernethy is just what the Community Police Oversight Commission needs. Having served alongside Alexis in the Pasadena-Altadena Chapter of The Links, Incorporated I can attest to her many qualities that make her hands down the best and most qualified for the Police Oversight Commission. With the continued and loud cry around the nation regarding police accountability with citizen involvement by selecting Alexis she will bring an authenticity to the committee. Besides the obvious, that she is a proud and unapologetically African American woman, she is also highly educated (but relatable) with a PhD in clinical psychology who regularly serves the community through various

nonprofit organizations. However, one quality that shines through is her heart for people. Her compassion, fairness, willingness to entertain all sides and openness allows her to build trust in various situations. As you've heard from others, read about her previous pertinent experiences, etc. she is definitely the best qualified. If ever there was a time to select a candidate who can help bring accountability and transparency to police oversight now is the time with Alexis being the correct choice. The longer you wait has the potential to feel like there is something at play here other than to select the most qualified which I trust is not the case. I look forward to congratulating Alexis and the commission on her selection. Thank you.

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**From:**  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 11:22 PM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Cc:** akaamoseby@aol.com  
**Subject:** Candidate for a seat on the newly formed Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

My name is Adrienne Brown-Moseby, and I live in Council District 7. Patrice/Mrs. McKenzie has a vision for good government. I agree with her view that government does not work (or cannot work effectively) without the trust and support of the people. The Pasadena Police Department certainly cannot. Patrice/Mrs. McKenzie's goal for the Commission is to enhance accountability and transparency in policing, eliminate police violence and build community trust through civilian oversight. I believe Patrice/Mrs. McKenzie's vision is one that will lead the PPD to fair and professional law enforcement responsive to community needs. I have lived/work/volunteered/whatever in Pasadena for 8 years, (if it's been a long time).

I am writing to support the the nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission. Patrice/Mrs. McKenzie was nominated by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's Pasadena chapter for one of the CBO (community based organization) seats. I have been a member of AKA for 28 years.

Thank you for your time, and understanding,  
Pasadena resident,

Adrienne Brown-Moseby.

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**From:** reo fordecor <  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 7:40 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** public comment for agenda item #8 for 4/19 meeting

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Hello,

I'm submitting my public comment for agenda item #8 in today's meeting. I won't be able to attend the meeting, so I hope you can accept my comment here:

Dear Mayor and Members of the Council: My name is Reo Glancey and I live in Council District 7. I am writing to support the nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission.

Patrice actively works in the community and has earned much trust and respect here, especially on issues of justice and equality. She is the voice that Pasadena needs at this time. I urge you to select Patrice for this important role.

Thank You,  
Reo Glancey

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**From:** Jeanette Mann <[jeanette@pasadenacity.org](mailto:jeanette@pasadenacity.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 8:09 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Juliana Serrano to Pasadena Community Oversight Committee

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Dear Councilmembers,

My name is Jeanette Mann, and I am writing in support of Juliana Serrano for appointment to the Pasadena Community Oversight Committee. I believe Ms. Serrano is very well qualified for appointment to this position because of her background and experience as a woman of color as well as her long history of social justice work as a Senior Associate for Peace and Justice at All Saints Church and her service to the city and the community on the Coalition for Increased Civilian Oversight of the Pasadena Police, on the Pasadena Police Chief's Community Advisory Committee, and on the Executive Committee of Pasadenans Organizing for Progress.

As a former Trustee at Pasadena City College and a long-time active community member, I know how important it will be to have a Latina on the Community Oversight Committee. According to a recent study by UCLA, thirty-five percent of the people arrested by the Pasadena police are Latino; appointing a Latina to the Oversight Committee would send a very strong message to the Latino community that they and their community are valued by the city, that they will be heard.

Several very well qualified women have been recommended by the Public Safety Committee to the Council—but I believe that Ms. Serrano is uniquely qualified and urge you to appoint her to the Pasadena Community Oversight Committee.

Sincerely,

Jeanette Mann

jeanette@pasadenacity.org  
Pasadena, CA 91104

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**From:** WIN Pasadena <[redacted]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:50 AM  
**To:** Flores, Valerie  
**Subject:** WIN Pasadena NAACP Branch 1054

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**Hello,**  
**Please accept this letter for Patrice Mckenzie, a candidate for Community Police Oversight Committee.**

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PASADENA, CA 91103

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**From:** Gwendolyn McMullins <  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 1:15 PM  
**To:** Flores, Valerie  
**Subject:** Public Comment in support of Alexis Abernethy for Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear members of the Public Safety Committee,

I'm writing in support of Dr. Alexis Abernethy, as a member of the Pasadena Police Oversight Committee. Dr. Abernethy and I are members of Pasadena Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

I have known Dr. Abernethy for over 20 years. She has excellent communication skills, and has demonstrated her ability to work with a wide variety of people in the sorority and community. She is about teambuilding and has the ability to relate to others. As a psychologist I believe she will bring a new lever of understanding, experience and commitment to transparency and public service and would be of great assistance to the community and Committee. As a long time resident of Altadena, I strongly support Dr. Alexis Abernathy as a member of the Pasadena Police Oversight Committee.

Sincerely,

Gwendolyn McMullins

Retired Educator, PUSD

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**From:** Julie Hoy  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 8:39 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Patrice Marshall McKenzie for CPOC

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I support the nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission.

Julie Hoy  
10 yr Pasadena resident, District 2

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**From:** Denise Jones <  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 9:06 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Community Police Oversight Commission Membership

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Dear City of Pasadena Councilmembers:

This correspondence serve to communicate my support and encourage of your favorable consideration of Dr. Alexis Abernethy and Patrice Marshall McKenzie for placement on the City of Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission.

Thank you.

Stay blessed and safe.

Denise Jones  
Resident

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**From:** Ann Bailey < >  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 9:56 AM  
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**Subject:** Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council,

My name is Ann Bailey and I live in Council District 1. I have lived in Pasadena for more than 16 years. I am writing in support of the appointment of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission. I have known Patrice for several years and she is well qualified for this position. She has been nominated by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority for one of the CBO seats.

Patrice's work with the NAACP, The Good Trouble Alliance, Pasadena City College, Pasadena Unified School District, the Junior League of Pasadena and a host of other community and faith-based organizations make her best suited to represent the community on the Commission.

Sincerely,  
Ann Bailey  
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**Subject:** FW: Community Police Oversight Commission

**From:** Anne Miles <  
**Sent:** Sunday, April 18, 2021 10:00 AM  
**To:** Madison, Steve <[smadison@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:smadison@cityofpasadena.net)>  
**Subject:** Community Police Oversight Commission

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Hello Councilmember Madison,

Do you have any updates on when the Pasadena CPOC will be up and running? All I could find on the website was a list of the nominees for commissioner. Thank you!

Best,  
Anne

Anne Miles, Ph.D.

Pasadena, CA 91105

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**From:** Treasure Sheppard  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:02 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Community Police Oversight Commission

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Pasadena City Councilmembers,

I am writing to urge the Pasadena City Council to select Patrice Marshall McKenzie as the third CBO seat representing the community (via Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.) in the Community Police Oversight Commission.

Over the years, Patrice has remained consistently active with the most marginalized communities impacted by police brutality and the likes. While she has formally applied as a representative of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., she has done impactful work with the NAACP, Junior League of Pasadena, LAUSD, Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute and a plethora of other organizations with their feet on the ground and running. Patrice's strength is in her dependable and unfailing commitment to Pasadena's community members and their resiliency in response to issues the Community Police Oversight Commission will be working on and around. Having representatives with established connections to those they represent is vital to the immediate success and community trust of the Commission and its resulting policy recommendations.

While Dr. Alexis Abernathy and Dr. Mikala Rahn each have impressive credentials, I believe their expertise would be best used in the form of consultancy versus a seated position on the commission. Each could contribute to and design the DEI curricula that will be necessary to assist the City of Pasadena in accomplishing its goal of building trust between the community and the Pasadena Police Department.

Should the Pasadena City Council opt to choose another candidate for the last CBO seat, I would strongly urge Councilmember Gene Masuda to consider selecting Patrice Marshall McKenzie to represent District 4 as the aforementioned qualities of Patrice still apply.

Thank you for your consideration and time! I look forward to learning the final makeup of the Commission. Again, thank you!

Treasure Sheppard  
Recreation & Parks Commissioner, District 3  
President, Pasadena Recreation & Parks Foundation

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**From:** Larry Hygh  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:02 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Support for Patrice Marshall McKenzie to Community Police Oversight Commission

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To Whom It May Concern:

I support the nomination/application of Mrs. Patrice Marshall McKenzie to the City of Pasadena's Community Police Oversight Commission. Patrice is the person we need for this commission because she is deeply rooted in service in Pasadena and represents the voice of the people. She is a product of Pasadena, raised here since childhood and is a PUSD graduate.

Patrice has been serving her community since her PUSD days as a classroom tutor, junior docent at the Gamble House and Pasadena History Museum, and was a campus leader at John Muir High School. She is active in several Pasadena based organizations including Pasadena NAACP, Women in NAACP Pasadena, Junior League of Pasadena, National Women's Political Caucus Greater Pasadena Area.

Patrice is a 24-year member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority, a sorority that has been serving Pasadena for over 60 years. The AKAs have been consistently advocating for legislation pertaining to increasing accountability and transparency of law enforcement at the state level.

Patrice would be a valuable asset to this commission because she is a person who seeks to help transform lives and uplift our community.

**Dr. Larry R. Hygh, Jr.**

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**From:** Kora McNaughton <...>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:05 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse  
**Subject:** Support for Patrice Marshall McKenzie for Police Oversight Committee

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Hello,

I am a resident of Council District 4 and a member of Indivisible Alta-Pasadena and would like to express my support for the nomination of Patrice Marshall McKenzie for a seat on the Community Police Oversight Commission. Patrice has worked actively in the community for many years and has the knowledge and experience needed to help re-establish trust between the Pasadena Police Department and the community.

Thank you,  
Kora McNaughton

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**From:** Ruth Richardson < >  
**Sent:** Monday, April 19, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** PublicComment-AutoResponse; Wilson, Andy; Madison, Steve; Gordo, Victor; Williams, Felicia; Masuda, Gene; Kennedy, John; Kennedy, John; Hampton, Tyron  
**Subject:** Please consider Dr. Mikala Rahn for the citizens police oversight commission

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To whom it may concern,

I am glad to see that the City of Pasadena is blessed with so many qualified choices for the citizens police oversight commission. I just want to add my recommendation for Dr. Mikala Rahn, and I hope you will take into consideration her years of experience working with at-risk youth here in Pasadena. Mikala has worked with the affected youth, including gang members, for many years, personally advocating for them every step of their journey, whether that be helping with their education---including founding a charter school for dropouts---advocating for them in the courts, working closely with the police, providing them with resources for their families, anything that the youth need. She has also completed the PPD citizens academy program.

She has an extremely informed view of the interaction between police and youth, and a balanced one.

The commission would benefit from her years of experience working with the youth in Pasadena that interact with the police and the justice system. In addition, she has worked closely with Homeboys and Father Greg Boyle and provided education for his youth, and she served on the Pasadena School Board, so she has experience helping groups of people with different viewpoints come to a consensus.

I hope you will consider including her on the commission as the police, the community, the young people, everyone would benefit from her experience.

Thank-you,

Ruth Richardson

Pasadena, CA 91107

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