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Sunday, August 2, 2020 5:40 PM

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Subject:

Public Comment for Meeting on August 3, 2020 about Agenda Item #6

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Name: Jim

Phone:

Address: '

Barry

Pasadena, CA 91125

Comments:

I certainly would like a civilian oversight committee for the police. I am amazed and disappointed that we don't have one already.

Jim Barry

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Kate

Email:

Phone:

Address: 1

Wagner

Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

July 31, 2020

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmembers,

The country has been encompassed by protests over the brutality of Black U.S. citizens by police officers sworn to serve and protect all citizens. The City of Pasadena and its police department has been at the forefront of numerous controversies over the inappropriate behavior of officers toward minority citizens. So now is a time for healing and change, and so, I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when accountability is transparent.

This proposal establishes a bridge to unifying our city and builds a platform on which future change and growth can help our city to heal and be an example to the country.

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

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Name:

Email:

Address:

Nona

Phone:

Pasadena, CA

Edelen

91106-3938

Comments:

Good evening Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am asking that the Pasadena City Council vote unanimously to approve the Public Safety Committee's proposal for a civilian's police oversight committee.

The time has come for an independent body will provide a framework to foster understanding, collaboration and trust for the benefit of the Pasadena police department and all residents.

Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Tyesa

Pasadena, California

Morey

91103

Comments:

Dear Councilmembers,

As a young Mother I have spent my life in the wonderful city of Pasadena! My husband and I think about our 12 year old son and his safety; so we spend time teaching him how to respond if ever stopped by the Police – WHY, because we want him to not experience police brutality or harm. We need police officers and we are grateful for their services and we depend on them to protect and serve; but the reality is that we need additional layers. The Public Safety Committee is presenting a Civilian Oversight Proposals that is a step in the right direction.

I asked my 12 year old son what would he say to you and these are his remarks: "I want to live a full life free of police brutality and I want to be treated fair like my white counter parts – I want to live in a society that is fair and respect me for who I am – I WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE – I want to live!"

We ask that you vote "YES" on the proposal presented by the Public Safety Committee under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Subject:

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Public Comment for Meeting on August 3, 2020 about Agenda Item 7

Name: Elizabeth

Email:

Address: Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

My name is Elizabeth and I am a Pasadena resident born and raised here. I am also a person of color and have noticed the mistreatment of black people and people of color not only by fellow residents of Pasadena, but by our own police department my entire life. Now that you have an opportunity to better the treatment of black men, women, and children I urge you to take the next step and modernize yourselves for the better good. I am calling on elected officials of this council meant to help the residents of Pasadena, to vote YES to amend the city charter, which will put it on the ballot November 3rd. Allow for the creation of a civilian oversight commission and the hiring of an independent police auditor with subpoena powers.

Do not shy away and attempt to protect the image of the city, this is a matter that will impact everyone. Make this city liveable once again, so that black people and people of color can truly live.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Subject:

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Name: Labell Delfosse-

Email:

Phone:

Address: Pasadena.

Washington

CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and the Pasadena City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J, Kennedy.

All citizens in the city of Pasadena including members of the police department are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a step in the right direction and a platform on which we can continue to build for the safety of the city.

I am a member of the Tournament of Roses association and I am involved in charity work as well as ministry endeavors to which I dedicate much of my time here in the beloved city of Pasadena,

I am urging and requesting that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Respectfully,

Labell Delfosse-Washington

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Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Thomas Carter

, Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmembers,

As a young black man raised in Pasadena and a graduate of the University of Southern California, I understand the need for police oversight. I appreciate the leadership provided by Councilmember John Kennedy in the proposal for Civilian Police Oversight. I support the proposal as presented by the Public Safety Committee and I am asking the Pasadena City Council to vote Yes for civilian police oversight.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build. Please consider voting today for civilian police oversight.

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Sincerely,

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Subject:

Public Comment for Meeting on August 3, 2020 about Agenda Item 7

Public Comment for Meeting on August 3, 2020 about Agenda Item 7

Name: Anne

Email:

Phone: '

Address:

Tipton

Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Hello. My name is Anne Tipton and I am an Altadena resident with a long history of living and being involved in Pasadena. Creating a strong civilian oversight of the Police Department is a tangible step Pasadena can take to reimagine how police duties and public safety are handled in our city. I am calling on the elected officials of the Pasadena City Council to vote YES to amend the city charter, thus putting it on the ballot for November 3rd.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: China

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Pasadena,

Spratling

CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Pasadena City Council Members,

As a young woman and mother in this community, I am asking you to please support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy. I understand the importance of oversight and I am asking you to think of what Hon. John Lewis fought for his entire life and you could honor him and the life of George Floyd by voting YES!! All the many black men in our community whose lives ended at the hands of the Police - you give honor to them today with a Yes Vote!

There is more to be done and I pray all the Civil Rights groups including the NAACP will work with Councilmembers Kennedy and Hampton to continue the effort and development of this proposal which is the first step in the right direction, and a platform we can continue to build on. Let us all work together!

I close, again in urging the Pasadena City Council to vote in favor of the proposal presented by the Public Safety Committee. We can rise together!

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Name: Cheryl	Email:	Phone:	Address:	-
McCuin			Pasadena, CA 91	103

Comments:

Good evening Councilmembers, as a Pasadena resident for more than 25 years I urge each member of the Pasadena City Council to please vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

The citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department and this proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

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Pasadena, CA 91103		
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Cheryl McCuin		
Sincerely,		
Thank you for your consideration!		
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Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Jairus Ellis

Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmember,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee. From Council member John Kennedy and Committee Member Mayor Terry.

I believe everyone will feel safe when they know there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a definitely a step in the right direction, an avenue that can continue to add and make better for everyone .

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safe Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Jason

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Johansen

Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee. As many are aware, Councilman John Kennedy envisioned a Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee many years ago. I have followed his progress as a Pasadena resident having a family of color. The committee will monitor actions and hold police officers accountable, which is important to me!

Everyone will be safer with a independent police oversight committee. The public will have confidence in the system. With a watchdog group in place, the police will do their jobs fair and correct.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

I am hopeful that each member of our City Council will stand on the right side of history. Please vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

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Name: Elena

Email:

Phone: /

Address:

Johansen

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Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee. I agree as a Latina with Councilman John Kennedy, envisioning a Pasadena Civilian Police Oversight committee. The committee is needed and will monitor actions and hold police officers accountable.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when there is independent police oversight..

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

I am hopeful that each member of our City Council will stand on the right side of history. Please vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Thank you,

Elena Johansen

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Name: Robert

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Niemack

Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Sincerely,

Robert Niemack

Grew up here, went to Wilson & PHS, and am currently a Pasadena resident

3 generations of my family were born at Huntington Memorial Hospital

Produced a TV documentary with former Pasadena PD Lt. Bruce Linsenmeyer about police

involved shootings	
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Sympathetic to the pressures cops feel on the job in a world full of guns

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Alma

Email:

Phone.

Address:

M. Stokes

Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

I support the need in the City of Pasadena for a Civilian Police Oversight Committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee, under the leadership of Chairperson John J. Kennedy. We citizens, as well as the Police Department, are safer when we have independent oversight. This proposal is an important foundation on which to build the future of our City.

I urge each Councilmember to vote for the needed Civilian Police Oversight Committee as proposed.

Sincerely,

Alma M. Stokes

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address: \(\)

Helen Carter

Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

I totally support this proposal that there be independent oversight over the Pasadena Police Department. This proposal is a very positive step in the right direction and is a win-win situation for all concerned,

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:

Email:

Address:

Arnold

Phone:

Pasadena, CA

Siegel

91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Members of the Pasadena City Council,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight commission and independent auditor as presented by the Public Safety Committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy and with the support of Mayor Tornek...

I have been a resident of District 1 for over 40 years. Even though my personal interactions with the police have been few and far between, I believe that all Pasadena residents will have greater confidence in our police department if we have an independent oversight commission with the added expertise of the auditor.

This proposal is a step in the right direction and a platform on which we can continue to build. We need to move ahead on this issue now in light of the public protests and the string of unfortunate incidents involving our police. This commission can only make the police better. We cannot lose momentum.

I urge that each Council member to recognize the significance of this moment and vote in favor of the proposal before you. 2020/د

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Name: Sonja K Berndt Email:

Address: Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

I am a longtime resident of Pasadena and a retired attorney who conducted hundreds of investigations. I submitted correspondence for today's meeting supporting effective civilian oversight of the Police Department which can be accomplished only with a Charter amendment. For all of the reasons stated therein, the Tornek/Kennedy proposal does not ensure accountability and does not meet the goals of transparency and public trust. Under that proposal, the investigation will be flawed because the IPA has no power to subpoena critical documents and witnesses for testimony under oath. Significantly, if the Council approves Agenda Item 7, Item 6 becomes moot. Our City DESERVES an up-or-down vote FIRST on whether to allow residents to vote on a Charter amendment that will provide effective civilian oversight. Councilmembers need to show whether they support the status quo, ineffective oversight under the Tornek/Kennedy proposal, or effective oversight under Vice Mayor Hampton's proposal requiring a charter amendment. Finally, I urge the Council to revise the resolution for a charter amendment to require citizen participation in the process of choosing commissioners. In order to be truly independent, the commissioners need to reflect the views of our residents as a whole rather than a select few. Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:

Email:

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Address:

Jacqueline

Snell

Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jacqueline Snell

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Name: Barbra

Email:

Phone:

Address:

McPheeters

, Pasadena,

CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Councilmembers,

I have been in this City of Pasadena for years and I serve on the Steward Board of First AME Church the oldest black church in the community, I support and volunteer with PCC basketball team, in addition to serving and volunteer with other grassroot organizations.

I know the work of Councilmember Kennedy and his long history in fighting for justice and I urge each member of the Council to please vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

I have great respect for the Police Department, yet the citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department. This proposal is the right step to move us forward, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

Thank you for your consideration!

Barbra McPheeters

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Name: Zoila

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Herrera

Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

As a community we need to stand together and work together for a better nation. The Pasadena citizens and Pasadena Police department needs to be held accountable for their actions. We need to create guidelines and training in deescalating confrontations. We need to use our racial difference to our advantage so we understand each other and work together as a community.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Julian

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Spratling

Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and Pasadena City Councilmembers,

As a young black man in America, I appreciate the leadership provided by Councilmember John Kennedy in the proposal for Civilian Police Oversight. I support the proposal as presented by the Public Safety Committee and I am asking the Pasadena City Council to vote Yes for civilian police oversight.

Everyone, citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight over the police department.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

I urge that each member of our esteemed Pasadena City Council rise to the moment and vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee.

Sincerely,

Julian Spratling

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From:

City Web

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Name: Judith

E Nelson

Email:

Phone:

Address:

, Altadena, CA 91001-

3605

Comments:

Pasadena City Council: Please vote in favor of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by that committee and under the leadership of Chairperson and Council person John J. Kennedy.

The citizens as well as members of the police department, are safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight of the police department and this proposal is a step in the right direction, and a platform on which we can continue to build.

Thank you for your consideration!

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Dr.

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Stephanie

Threatt

California 91101

PASADENA,

Comments:

Good evening Councilmembers, I urge each member of the Pasadena City Council to please vote in favor of the proposal for a civilian police oversight committee as presented by the Public Safety Committee under the leadership of Chairperson and Councilmember John J. Kennedy.

Our nation is at an inflection point following the killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis, and our Pasadena community must acknowledge the need to address police violence and misconduct within our city. Police incidences involving excessive use of force, including Reginald Thomas, Jr in 2016 and Christopher Bellew in 2017, necessitate the expansion of independent police review processes that include civilian oversight.

Our citizens, as well as members of the Pasadena police department, will undoubtedly be safer when everyone knows that there is independent oversight of the police department. The civilian police oversight proposal is a step in the right direction and a platform on which we must continue to build in order to establish a just and safe community for all residents of Pasadena.

Thank you for your consideration!

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Sincerely,