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From: City Web
Sent: Friday, November 13, 2020 11:38 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 16, 2020 about Agenda Item 9

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Name: Jon **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

Applications for the Police Oversight Commission need to be public and DISTRIBUTED ASAP. The commission needs to be in place 11/30. We demand ongoing Crossroads and Trauma training. It's abhorrent that PPD shoots and kills indiscriminately, while expecting us to believe they are doing so to "protect us." And what is worse, Michele Bagneris protects cops and puts black women in jail over petty charges. The commission and independent auditor need to have real teeth.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 16, 2020 about Agenda Item Police Oversight

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Name: Lynnette
West-Cater

Email:

Phone:

Address: ---
Avenue, Pasadena, CA
91104

Comments:

Hello, my name is Lynnette West-Cater. I am a business owner in Council District 5.

I believe NOW is the time to publicly display applications for the Civilian Oversight Committee of the Pasadena Police Department.

Many have worked on this issue and would like to see an Oversight Committee selected in part by the current council.

It would be beneficial for the appointees to the Oversight Committee to agree to ongoing training in trauma informed care and anti-bias, diversity and sensitivity training.

I am asking that the voices of the community be heard. Please release the application at this time to appoint and seat the members of the Police Oversight Committee by the end of the month. Thank you.

Lynnette West-Cater

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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From: City Web
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Name: Mary Christine Boomhower **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

We asked for a police oversight committee and nothing has been done in 3 months. I'm extremely disappointed. I feel like it was all a publicity stunt, just to make the city of Pasadena look better without actually doing anything to improve the community. I want Pasadena to follow through on their promises and do something to keep the police in check. If they have no one watching their actions they can act like they are above the law, and that makes our city less safe.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Michael Tulsky			, Pasadena, CA 91105

Comments:

Good afternoon Pasadena City Council,

As the election season commotion starts to settle down a bit, let's revisit one particular pre-election intention: Please continue the drive to establish a process for appointment of members to the Police Oversight with Independent Auditor Commission. Thank you for your time, attention, and hard work.

Michael Tulsky / District 6

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Sent: Saturday, November 14, 2020 10:28 AM
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Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 16, 2020 about Agenda Item Open Comment

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Name: Elise Mallory **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** , Glendora, CA
91740

Comments:

Hello, my name is Elise Mallory and I live in Glendora, but volunteer over 300 hours a year in Pasadena.

I am writing to urge the Council to release and publicly display applications for the Civilian Oversight Committee of the Pasadena Police Department TODAY.

Hard work has gone into the Council voting to implement this Commission. It is time to move this process forward and not continue to lose momentum in selecting and seating this crucial Oversight committee. The current council makeup deserves to have a voice in selecting the inaugural members of the Civilian Oversight Committee.

We also want all appointees who will be selected to serve on this committee to agree to ongoing training in trauma informed care and anti-bias, diversity and sensitivity training.

Any additional delays in recruiting and selecting the members of this Oversight Committee will unacceptably silence the voice of our community.

I am calling on the entire City Council to release the application NOW to appoint and seat the members of this Police Oversight Committee by November 30, 2020. Thank you. 11/16/2020
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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Staajabu			PASADENA, CA
Heshimu	.com		91103

Comments:

I am in agreement with those calling for immediate action on establishing the Police Oversight Commission and the seating of its members. Has the municipal code language been completed and released to the community? Have the applications been widely distributed? Has a timeliine been created?

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Name: Daniel James **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** 1
#8, Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Councilmembers,

I join my community in calling for the Community Police Oversight Commission to be established and in place by November 30, 2020. The council stalled too long already.

I also reaffirm the call to make the commission application process public and transparent, and for commission members to take ongoing antiracism and trauma training.

Thank you Mayor Tornek for your work in bringing this ordinance to this point. I look forward to Mayor-Elect Gordo working alongside an already-established oversight commission.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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From: City Web
Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2020 11:53 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
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Name: Bonnie James **Email:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Councilmembers,

I join with my community in calling for the Community Police Oversight Commission to be established and in place by November 30, 2020. The council has stalled too long already. The longer you delay, the further community trust erodes. Please make establishing this Commission expediently a priority.

I also reaffirm the call to make the commission application process public and transparent, and for commission members to take ongoing antiracism and trauma training.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
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Name: Sonja K Berndt **Email:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

I am a long-time resident of Pasadena. The community has overwhelmingly demanded genuine, independent oversight of our Police Department. To accomplish that, the selection process for members of the Community Police Oversight Commission (“Commission”) must be independent of the City Council until a group of recommended candidates is presented to the Council for final approval. The vetting of candidates must be transparent and without any influence from the City Council in order to achieve both actual and perceived independence in the Commission’s work. Allowing each City Council member and the Mayor to simply appoint his/her choice will result in community distrust and will thwart, rather than further, the City’s goal of improving community/police relations, particularly since many of you have received significant political contributions and endorsements from the Pasadena Police Officers Association. In addition, the selection process must result in a Commission that is representative of our racially diverse community and that represents a wide variety of backgrounds and experience, including prior adverse interactions with law enforcement. Finally, current and former law enforcement members cannot serve on the Commission due to their inherent bias and conflict of interest. This should be a “no brainer.” Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Pastor Kerwin Manning	Email:	Phone:	Address: Pasadena, CA 91104
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Comments:

To Our Esteemed Council: I've Pastored in this city for almost 20 years, I've seen the church make the same mistake that you are about to make by determining what the people need without asking input from the people most in need. This single act of disenfranchisement will only exacerbate your inability to connect with the vulnerable. First, **STOP KILLING BLACK PEOPLE**. You don't need a commission to determine this is wrong and to take action against PPD Officers who disregard standard protocol designed to protect them and our citizens. **THEY NEED TO BE FIRED!** Secondly, I implore and challenge each of you to speak to those who have been harassed and taunted by the PPD. Ask them what a fair commission should look like. Furthermore, continuing to ignore the elephant in the room (by endorsing the officer who shot Anthony McClain), you validate the tradition of disconnection with those you were sworn to represent. Oversight **MUST** consider and include the people who are most impacted by the erroneous actions of the PPD. This has to be done without the PPOA **IN YOUR EARS AND POCKETS**. Please don't make the same mistake our churches made. **INCLUDE THE PEOPLE YOU SERVE!**

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Public Comment for Meeting on November 16, 2020 about Agenda Item none

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Name: Wendy Roskin
Email:
Phone: 6
Address: Avenue, Altadena, CA 91001

Comments:

On August 24 the City Council voted to have a Police Oversight Committee. Why hasn't there been any movement on this? It was watered down with no subpoena power and you still can't follow through? The citizens of Pasadena and surrounding areas are determined to rein in the lawlessness and racial bias in the police force and the civilian oversight is necessary! Get those applications out now and stop the dragging your feet!

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Kenichi Yoshida **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

To the Council members of the City of Pasadena, I hereby join with those who have consistently demanded the community's demand for an INDEPENDENT review council of the PPD moving forward, which must include African Americans residing especially in the NW Pasadena area. Their voices MUST be heard. As well, we having been urging the council to not include any PPD affiliated persons on the committee nor that of those whose presence may result in conflict of interest. The Review Committee is for the people of the City of Pasadena to hold PPD fully accountable for its actions, especially actions undertaken toward our Black community and, if necessary, recommend officers who do not follow protocol to be dismissed and charged for their reckless actions, such as in the case of the officer who shot and killed Anthony McClain. Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Pasadena		Address:
Alumni Chapter of	Email:	Phone:
Kappa Alpha Psi		Pasadena, CA
Fraternity, Inc		91109

Comments:

Good Evening, we are the Brothers of the Pasadena Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and we meet In Council district 3.

We are writing to urge the Council to release and publicly display applications for the Civilian Oversight Committee of the Pasadena Police Department today.

We have collectively worked hard to move this process forward and do not want to lose the current momentum in selection process of this crucial Oversight committee. The current council makeup deserves to have a voice in selecting the inaugural members of the Civilian Oversight Committee. We would also like all selected appointees who will serve the n the committee to agree to ongoing training in trauma informed care and anti-bias, diversity and sensitivity training.

Further delays in recruiting and selecting Oversight Committee will unacceptably silence the voice of our community.

We are calling on the entire City Council to release the application now to appoint and seat the members of this Police Oversight Committee by November 30, 2020.

Respectfully,

The Brothers of the Pasadena Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

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Name: Breathe
Justice

Email:

Address: Pasadena, CA
91104

Comments:

Now is the time for councilmembers who complained about opacity in the creation of the Police Oversight Ordinance to demonstrate their own commitment to Transparency in the Commission selection process.

This is particularly important for councilmembers who have received police union money and endorsements.

Unilaterally appointing Commission members would undermine public trust.

To function independently, enhance police-community relations, and build community trust, the Police Oversight Commission must:

-Be selected in full view of the public with input from disenfranchised and over-policed citizens.

-Be chosen from a pool of candidates presented to the Council that has been transparently vetted by the community, without police or City Council influence.

-Restrict current and former police officers and their representatives from membership.

-Equitably apply the same restrictions the ordinance places upon attorneys to police officers.

-Prioritize Commission appointment to African Americans, Northwest and Central Pasadena residents— communities most in need of improved police-community relations, per 2016's study.

-Choose Commissioners who demonstrate commitment to police oversight, and strong understanding of the importance of upholding civil rights and civil liberties in policing.

As you are well aware, Commission composition can render the oversight body effective or completely futile. Listen to the community's cry for Transparency, Community Input, and Independence in the Police Oversight Commission.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Rev. Tera Klein			Pasadena, CA 91101

Comments:

Dear Council,

Please continue moving forward the Police Oversight Commission.

This should be a transparent process so community members can be confident in the Commission. Applications should be public, and the eventual Commissioners need to take on-going anti-racism/anti-oppression/multiculturalism training as well as ongoing Trauma Training.

Thank you for your service to our community.

Take care,

Rev. Tera Klein

Throop Unitarian Universalist Church

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Name: Michele Saywell **Email:** **Address:** Los Angeles, CA
90062

Comments:

Greetings Councilmen:

I am Michele Saywell, a resident of Los Angeles who volunteers and has business clients in Pasadena. I understand that the current Council approved the formation of a Police Oversight Commission to bridge the gaps between the Pasadena Police Department and the community that it serves. In that effort, I support the current Council having a hand in the selection process of the Oversight Commissioners by immediately publicly posting the application along with ones received. Additionally, the criteria for the Oversight Commissioners should include ongoing training around anti-bias, diversity, sensitivity, and trauma informed care.

I fully support and request that the Police Oversight Commissioners be seated by 30 November 2020.

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Elizabeth Murphy			, Los Angeles, California 90020

Comments:

I implore City Council to get the Police Oversight Committee up and running ASAP, with a public and transparent process for the Community applicants and an emphasis on proper training. I call on the committee to be up and running by Nov. 30, 2020, with job applications available now and open to the public. There should be ongoing anti-racism, anti-oppression, multiculturalism training for the police, as well.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: No

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Name:	Email:	Phone:	Address:
Gleason Bauer			Pasadena, CA 91107

Comments:

I am writing as a concerned citizen of Pasadena about the urgency and procedures for appointing members to the Civilian Oversight Committee. First, I urge the Committee to make applications for appointments available immediately and then to ensure that all appointees are confirmed no later than the end of November. Second, appointments should be made public. And third, once they have been made, all participants must engage in ongoing Crossroads training and trauma training. Please do not delay this important process. We need change now. Thank you.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Ferne Hayes **Email:** **Phone:** **Address:** Pasadena, CA 91106

Comments:

The selection process for the Community Police Oversight Commission must be completed and instituted quickly. First, it is crucial that the process be more than just allowing each Council member and the Mayor to simply appoint someone. Interested persons should be able to apply and there should be a vetting process that includes community input. The final selections must be done with high regard to accurate representation of our racially diverse community and to include a variety of backgrounds and experiences. Representation from those who have had prior adverse interactions with the police has been recommended and I concur. Although some communities have apparently benefited from representation of current and former law enforcement, I believe these should be eliminated from inclusion at this time in Pasadena. Our goal is to improve community/police relations in Pasadena, end the high incidence of police violence among people of color and ensure safety in our whole community.

Ferne Hayes

Pasadena resident since 1971

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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