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From: Ellen Lafler <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:07 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Selection of members for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

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Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

As a member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Pasadena, I support Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).

Both of these strong and dedicated women of color bring established legacies of involvement in issues of police oversight. They were interviewed, vetted, and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting.

I strongly urge you, Mayor Gordo, and all the Council members to place your trust in the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee and confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

Sincerely,
Ellen Lafler

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From: Suzanne Bruins <s
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:14 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

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*Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,
While I live in Altadena, I have attended Pasadena Presbyterian Church for years. I also taught for PUSD for 39 years. I am writing in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).*

Both of these strong and dedicated women of color bring established legacies of involvement in issues of police oversight. They were interviewed, vetted and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting.

However, at the last City Council meeting a decision was taken, for no apparent reason, to reconsider the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee and substitute your own decision following another round of interviews at the City Council meeting on Monday, April 26th.

While the Ordinance creating the CPOC permits consideration of other applicants, it is very odd that the Council decided to reject the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee and it appears to be a strategy to deny two strong activists seats on the Commission.

I strongly urge you, Mayor Gordo and all the Council members, to place your trust in the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee and confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

*Sincerely
Suzanne Bruins*

Altadena, CA 91001

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From: Stevi Carroll <j
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:15 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Appointment of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano

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Dear Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council:

I live in Pasadena and am confused about why Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC) have been rejected.

These women have a record of involvement in the issues of police oversight and were interviewed, vetted and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting. I realize you can consider other applicants, but why would you reject the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee?

Please reconsider and trust the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee to confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Stevi Carroll
Pasadena resident since 2004

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From: Crystal Jones <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:23 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Pasadena Community Oversight Commission-Annang and Serrano

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Dear Councilmembers,

I have reached out to Mayor Gordo, and my Councilmember, Tyron Hampton with a similar message.

The Pasadena Community Oversight Commission is an important body of individuals that will have the opportunity to have a positive moral impact on our city. As a third-generation African-American Pasadena family with several generations of Black men and women in my family, this is a critical commission to keep front and center the moral compass that is necessary to the liveability of this city. Additionally, Pasadena has worked hard to be a city that is governed well, provides a good environment for businesses, and provide a nonprofit sector that works with the government, and the private sector to provide services and benefits to all of its citizens. I think Pasadena and its Council is smart enough to know that a strong nonprofit sector is critical to a healthy, functioning, life-giving American democracy -- something I hope we all value.

Last week it was disappointing for me to hear that the Pasadena City Council rejected the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee to appoint Florence Annang of the Pasadena Branch of the NAACP, and Juliana Serrano of All Saints Pasadena to the Commission, despite the unanimous recommendation by the committee.

Additionally, in terms of governance of this process, it is quite concerning that the recommendation would be completely disregarded and that the City Council would ask that all the finalists return to Council and provide only a two-minute presentation in order to aide in their decision making. Annang and Serrano are two knowledgeable, women of color, activists, with deep knowledge of this community, and they are both associated with organizations that have not only enhanced the living environment in this city, but they have also helped facilitate issues of justice, and love.

I strongly support appointed both Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano to the Pasadena Community Oversight Commission. This would be the right thing to do for our City and our future.

Sincerely,

Crystal Jones

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Crystal Jones

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From: BRANDON LAMAR <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:25 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Speaker card

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Good Afternoon Everyone,

As a resident of Pasadena and an individual who was born and raised here, it is always my hope for a better Pasadena.

I am writing you in regards to the community-based appointments. I, along side other organizations that I've work with have been fighting not only against injustices but also pushing for a more accountable and transparent police department.

With that being said I strongly support and stand behind Florence Annang (NAACP) and Juliana Serrano (All Saints Church). The two organizations that they represent are well respected and has been known for representing minority communities.

We need people who has been actively doing the work in our community. We cannot just place people on this commission because of their title or former title. Pasadena has a bad habit of recycling and reusing leaders for political gain. This is not a political commission, lives are at stake in our communities. It is important that whoever is chosen represents the community that has faced injustices with Law Enforcement Agencies.

I appreciate your consideration.

Best Regards,
Brandon D. Lamar

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thampton@cityofpasadena.net, cbell@cityofpasadena.net

April 26, 2021

Dear Mayor Victor Gordo and Pasadena City Council Members:

As a long-time resident of NW Pasadena's District 1, and of All Saints Church and its Racial Justice Ministry, I am writing to encourage you to appoint Florence Annang (Pasadena Branch NAACP) and Juliana Serrano (All Saints Church) to the newly created Community Police Oversight Commission. They were both unanimously approved and recommended just recently by the Public Safety Committee to fill two of the community-based seats on the commission. That the City Council would reject this recommendation last week and decide you want to re-interview them and all finalists after well-considered recommendations were made by our trusted servants is incomprehensible. I am especially surprised at my own District 1 Council Member Tyron Hampton, whose ideas I normally support, rejecting the recommendation after initially voting in support of these two women. The logic here escapes me.

I strongly urge you to appoint both Juliana Serrano and Florence Annang, since both are highly qualified with years of experience in community activism including police reform, both are women of color representing the very people who inspired creation of the Police Oversight Commission, and both women have been leading the work in all aspects of racial justice, police reform, social justice, and fairness and equality for all. While they have worked together in some groups, they have different styles and approaches that can strengthen the work of the new Commission, not detract from it. I find it incredulous that anyone, especially councilmembers, would assume that these two supremely qualified women would give "too much power" to a particular way of thinking, implying that because they have worked on some of the same groups they do not have individual minds and individual opinions and insights. Further, the fact that both women have worked over the years with groups that give voice to the needs of *all* Pasadena residents—the poor, people of color, those whose voices are not always equally represented, the very people that the Community Police Oversight Commission was created to serve—is a strength for the Commission.

I am particularly concerned that Juliana Serrano, the one Latina applicant, who was already unanimously recommended, is now being reconsidered. The commission needs the voice and years of experience of Ms. Serrano. She represents All Saints Church, a leader in standing up for social and racial justice within our city and beyond. Anyone who has heard her speak—including all of you—immediately recognizes her impressive ability to understand multiple perspectives on a deep level, communicate in a respectful and thoughtful way with people of opposing views, and bring people together rather than divide them on the quest for true equality, accountability, and transparency that benefit all. Add to this her invaluable years of experience,

her knowledge of the issues affecting our city's most vulnerable, her commitment to speaking the truth, and you have a woman who the Oversight Commission simply cannot do without.

The Commission needs leaders who have been spearheading police reform efforts and have a demonstrated record of effectiveness. Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano meet these criteria and would be assets to the newly forming Community Police Oversight Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Bucci Bush

Professor of English and Creative Writing

California State University, Los Angeles

Member of All Saints Church

Member of All Saints Church Racial Justice Ministry Steering Committee

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From: Pam Jefferson <[REDACTED]@[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:38 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Re: Pasadena City Council for Patrice McKenzie

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

*My name is Pam Jefferson and I live in Council District 1. I have **[lived]** in Pasadena for 39 years.*

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.

*I met Patrice at **[Lawrence and Colbert through my friend, Debra Jones it's her daughter.]**. I have watched he grow up from a child to a matured young lady. She has served others for as long as I have known her and I believe she will represent the best interest of our community in this position. Patrice has continuously been involved with a number of issues and causes in our community and has broad network in Pasadena to draw from in representing the people's voice.*

I urge you to appoint Patrice Marshall McKenzie to the Community Police Oversight Commission. Thank you.

Name

Pam Jefferson

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From: Bonnie James <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:40 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Community Police Oversight Commission

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Hello City Council and Mayor,

I want to again write in for my support of Juliana Serrano and Florence Annang for nomination onto the Community Police Oversight Commission. I have worked with both these women on a variety of different community projects, and I believe they have the experience and community involvement needed to be good representatives for this commission.

I would also like to express my disappointment that some on the City Council believe these women should not be elected together because they happen to be on the same board of one community organization. These women work with and serve a variety of community organizations and to claim they are incapable of bringing their own thoughts, experiences, and voices to this commission is insulting.

For the last seat for the community organization seats, I want to voice my support for Alexis Abernathy. While I have not worked with her personally, I was very impressed by her interview at the Public Safety Council meeting. I think she would be an excellent candidate for this position.

Bonnie James
District 5 Resident

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From: Staci Kennelly <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:51 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Community Police Oversight Commission

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Hello,

Last Monday, you rejected the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee to appoint Florence Annang of the Pasadena Branch of the NAACP. and Juliana Serrano, on behalf of All Saints Church - to the newly-created Community Police Oversight Commission.

You made this choice despite the unanimous recommendation by the committee.

Also, many of you are choosing a person to represent each district in secret without any oversight.

Who are you representing? Yourself or this community? I am outraged at your dishonesty and lack of transparency.

Kindly,
Staci Kennelly
She/here
Pasadena resident

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From: KristinOckershauser <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:55 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: FW: Pasadena Public Safety Commission

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April 26, 2021

City Council Members
Pasadena City Council
Pasadena, CA

Dear Councilmembers:

The two women unanimously selected by the Public Safety Committee for the new Community Police Oversight Commission, representing community based organizations, should be retained.

Their combined experience over the past several years of working in and with NW community residents and leaders on police reform issues, as well as with Pasadena police leadership on improving relations with this community make them uniquely fitted to offer help to the new Commission as it undertakes a critical, high-stakes job in difficult times.

Due to their work in community and with our police department to close a critical gap of trust, both are seen as trustworthy by both the community and the police. Without this trust on both parts, the new Commission will be a non-starter.

This promising effort of giving a voice in civic affairs to representatives of those who have had none in policing matters should take advantage of these two exceptional women, Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano, and welcome them to the Commission.

Thank you,

Kris Ockershauser
CICOPP

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From: Elizabeth Ruffman <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 11:55 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: 4/26/21 City Council Meeting, Agenda Item 15

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Please approve Florence Annang, nominated by the local chapter of the NAACP, and Juliana Serrano, nominated by All Saints Church, Pasadena, to occupy two of the seats on the Community Police Oversight Commission. These two strong candidates have been advocates for justice in Pasadena for a long time. They are personally experienced in the social justice arena and have the full backing of two of the most important, long-standing and deeply rooted institutions in our City.

Please remember that the City Council's Public Safety Committee gave Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano their unanimous endorsement and recommended them to the Council using established protocols. I would like to think the City Council would adhere to its own protocols in these matters. How else are we citizens to follow, make sense of, and respond to anything the Council does? How do we trust you if you don't follow your own rules?

Sincerely,

Martha Ruffman
District 2

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FW: Public comment re: Pasadena Police Oversight Commission member selections

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From: **Daniel James** <_____.>

Date: Sat, Apr 24, 2021 at 11:30 AM

Subject: Public comment re: Pasadena Police Oversight Commission member selections

To: <vflores@cityofpasadena.net>

Cc: <mlmorales@cityofpasadena.net>, <jerivas@cityofpasadena.net>

Ms. Flores,

I would like the following to be included in the public comments for this Monday's council meeting discussion of the police oversight commission member selections:

I am a resident in District 5 and would like to express my full support for Florence Annang of NAACP and Juliana Serrano of All Saints Church for the police oversight commission. I cannot express how disheartened I am to have listened to the last council meeting where these selections were called into question AFTER a unanimous agreement on these two extremely-qualified candidates. They are absolutely the right people to include in this commission and they each have my full support.

Additionally, for the third appointment to the commission, I support either Patrice Marshall McKenzie or Alexis Abernathy. They are both fine candidates and each would bring value into the commission. I do not believe there are other qualified candidates in the pool.

Finally, I would like to voice my deep concern for the effects of dragging out this process. I support and appreciate Councilmember Rivas' effort to not put off this selection, though the council ultimately put it off. Every meeting that goes by without making substantial progress erodes the community's trust in the council to do what they have said they will do.

Respectfully,

Daniel James

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Daniel James ([he/him](#))

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From: Lawton Gray lii <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:11 PM
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Subject: Agenda Item 15 - Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor Gordo and Members of the Council:

My name is Lawton Gray and I live in Council District 4. I have lived in Pasadena for over 35 years, ever since moving from Altadena in the 6th grade.

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. I have continually been impressed by the ongoing student and campus support that the Pasadena AKA Chapter has made at John Muir High School. Their investment of time, mentorship and scholarship dollars have benefitted our students for over 20 years.

I met Patrice at Eliot Middle School in 1986. We continued to attend school together at John Muir High School. We went away to different colleges, but we have stayed close as she has always looked for ways to support me in my educational career, as well as the community. Patrice has served others for as long as I have known her and I believe she will serve the best interest of our community in this position. Patrice has continuously been involved with a number of issues and causes in our community and has a broad network in Pasadena to draw from in representing the people's voice.

I urge you to appoint Patrice Marshall McKenzie to the Community Police Oversight Commission. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lawton A. Gray
91107



Lawton Gray, Ed.D. - Principal

*John Muir High School
Early College Magnet
1905 Lincoln Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91103
(626) 396-5600, ext. 82095*

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From: Anthony Manousos
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:14 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: ADU Pilot Program #16 Support

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Dear Mayor Gordo and City Council members,

I strongly support the loans being requested by the Housing Department's award-winning ADU pilot program. This is a significant step forward and deserves your support. It seems fitting that most of the loans go to NW Pasadena residents since this area has historically been discriminated against by the City's restrictive ADU policies. I hope that this pilot program can be expanded and encourage residents in all parts of our city to build ADUs for Section 8 renters.

I also encourage you to make ADUs more affordable and easier to build by adopting the following policies:

1. Drop all fees for affordable ADUs, since all other affordable units get fee waivers.
2. Streamline and fast track all affordable ADUs, since all other affordable units get to fast track—which saves time and money.
3. Remove the 12-foot top plate requirement so the full 17 feet allowed can be utilized—must better stewardship of space. I also recommend allowing ADUs to be built over garages and carports using the 17 foot state limit.
4. To allow for both detached *and* attached ADUs, which is the case in all other CA cities.

Supporting ADUs can be seen as a racial justice issue since it helps homeowners, particularly low-income homers, many of whom are people of color, to stay in our city and build generational wealth. It al It is time for Pasadena to recognize the implicit biases in past housing policies and to make amends.

Respectfully yours,

Anthony Manousos

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From: Jennifer Vaughan <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:16 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: High Support for Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies FOR Pasadena CPOC

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Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

Greetings! I am writing an important issue that needs to be addressed and considered!

I am a seriously concerned citizen in Pasadena's writing in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).

Both of these strong and dedicated women of color bring established legacies of involvement in issues of police oversight. They were interviewed, vetted and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting.

However, at the last City Council meeting a decision was taken, for no apparent reason, to reconsider the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee and substitute your own decision following another round of interviews at the City Council meeting on Monday, April 26th.

While the Ordinance creating the CPOC permits consideration of other applicants, it is very odd that the Council decided to reject the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee and it appears to be a strategy to deny (VERY WRONG INDEED) two strong great activists seats on the Commission.

I strongly urge you, Mayor Gordo and all the Council members, to place your trust in the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee and confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Vaughan

661-833-8817

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From: Patricia Coulter <[patricia.coulter@pasadenacalifornia.gov](#)>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:24 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: Gordo, Victor
Subject: Community Police Oversight Commission Nomination Process

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Mayor Gordo,

As an All Saints Church Member, I write in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's appointment to Pasadena's Community Police Oversight Commission. This new commission is a step in the right direction in building trust, transparency and accountability with the Pasadena Police Department and the Community it vows to protect and serve.

These two Women of Color who are known Community Advocates, were unanimously nominated by the City Council's Public Safety Committee after a thorough interview process, and to now learn that the Council is disregarding the PSC's recommendation is both unprofessional and questionable as to why. I, and many others, perceive this as political backlash against Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano and the organizations they represent. It begs to question the seriousness of the City Councils' goals in creating the Community Police Oversight Commission in the first place.

The commission needs leaders who have been spearheading police reform efforts and have a demonstrated record of effectiveness. Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano meet this criteria and would be assets to the 11 member commission.

Patricia A. Coulter

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From: James Symons < >
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:29 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

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James Symons and Patty Compeau

Pasadena, CA 91107

Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

We are residents of Pasadena writing in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).

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Sincerely,

James Symons and Patty Compeau

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From: Judy Mc Adoo
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:31 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Pasadena Community Oversight Commission

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Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

I am 1/2 bl out of Pasadena City limits and am effected by Pasadena policing in my daily life ie shopping, recreation, walking, medical care, ect and am writing in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).

Both of these strong and dedicated women of color bring established legacies of involvement in issues of police oversight. They were interviewed, vetted and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting.

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I/We strongly urge you, Mayor Gordo and all the Council members, to place your trust in the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee and confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

Sincerely,

Judith McAdoo

ve, Pasadena 91104

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From: Wesley Reutimann
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:43 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve
Subject: Public Comment - Agenda Item 15 - CBO Appointments

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Good afternoon Mayor Gordo, Council Member Madison, and members of the City Council,

As a resident of Pasadena District 6, I am taking the time to write to urge your support for the Public Safety Committee's unanimous recommendations for Community Based Organization representatives to the PPD Oversight Committee.

Florence Annang (NAACP), Juliana Serrano (All Saints Church), and Patrice McKenzie (Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority) have well-established track records of working on civil rights issues in the City of Pasadena. Their organizations have also been doing this work in the community for years, and as such are well-qualified to have representation on the committee.

The City Council would do well to appoint these hard-working, passionate, community leaders to the committee.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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From: Todd Mandel <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:47 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Today's public meeting

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Hello. I'm writing as I'm unable to attend the public meeting today that will include the issue of PPD Oversight Committee staffing. Please consider the importance and opportunity that comes at present with appointing Adjoa Florence Annang, Juliana Serrano and Patrice Marshall McKenzie.

All my best,

Todd Mandel

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From: Charlotte Maya >
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:51 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: City Council Meeting -- Police Oversight Commission

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Hello ~

As a business person in Pasadena and a member of All Saints Church, I write in support Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's appointments to Pasadena's Community Police Oversight Commission. This new commission is a step in the right direction to improve community-police relations and in building trust, transparency and accountability with the Pasadena Police Department. The commission needs leaders who have been spearheading police reform efforts and have a demonstrated record of effectiveness. Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano meet this criteria and would be assets to the 11 member commission.

I have worked directly with Ms. Serrano and find her to be insightful, honest and reasonable. I believe she will promote positive community relations with police and that she will do so with respect and thoughtfulness.

Thank you for your continued service and advocacy for the entire Pasadena community.

*With gratitude,
Charlotte Maya*

Charlotte Maya (she/her)

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From: Robert Brummel · >
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 12:53 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: Therese Brummel
Subject: Candidates for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Committee

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Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

We are 43-year Pasadena residents/homeowners active in our community, writing in support of Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's candidacies for the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC).

Both of these strong and dedicated women of color bring established legacies of involvement in issues of police oversight. They were interviewed, vetted and unanimously selected for the Commission at the last Public Safety Committee meeting.

However, at the last City Council meeting a decision was taken, for no apparent reason, to reconsider the recommendations of the Public Safety Committee and substitute your own decision following another round of interviews at the City Council meeting on Monday, April 26th.

While the Ordinance creating the CPOC permits consideration of other applicants, it is very odd that the Council decided to reject the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee and it appears to be a strategy to deny two strong activists seats on the Commission.

We strongly urge you, Mayor Gordo and all the Council members, to place your trust in the prior unanimous decision of the Public Safety Committee and confirm the appointments of Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano.

*Sincerely,
Robert and Therese Brummel*

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From: Alfredo Resendiz <alresendiz@gmail.com>
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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

My name is _____ and I live in Council District X. I have **[lived/worked/volunteered]** in Pasadena for X years (if it's been a long time).

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.

I met Patrice in high school and have known her for 30+ years. She has served others for as long as I have known her and I believe she will represent the best interest of our community in this position. Patrice has continuously been involved with a number of issues and causes in our community and has broad network in Pasadena to draw from in representing the people's voice.

I urge you to appoint Patrice Marshall McKenzie to the Community Police Oversight Commission. Thank you.

Alfredo Resendiz
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