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From: [redacted]
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:06 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Comment for City Council Meeting 4/26/21

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I strongly support the Second Unit Accessory Dwelling Unit Loan Pilot Program, and urge the City Council to approve the budget amendment and loan agreements for the five selected projects. This is an innovative project that has won recognition for its potential to be "a model for cities nationwide" on how accessory dwelling units (ADUs) can help ease the affordable housing shortage. Additionally, to strengthen the production of ADUs in the city particularly towards affordable housing, I also urge the Council to consider allowing for both attached and detached ADUs on multifamily properties. At the moment, only attached OR detached units is allowed, which limits the flexibility of multifamily owners when considering additional units, and sets Pasadena apart from many other cities in Southern California which already permit this. Thank you.

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From: Renee Larios <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:07 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Letter in support of Florence Annang and Julianna Serrano for the Civilian Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

As a life-long member of All Saints Church, an alumna of the PUSD, and the Student Community Engagement Coordinator at Polytechnic School in Pasadena, 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, 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 activist 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. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Renée Pickering Larios

Renée Pickering Larios |

Student Community Engagement Program Coordinator

Polytechnic School, 1030 E. California Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91106

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Lois J Gaston

Los Angeles, CA 91010

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April 26, 2021

Mayor Victor Gordo and City Council Members,

This is my second letter of recommendation in support of Florence Annang, a candidate for the Community Based Organization position on the Community Police Oversight Commission (CPOC). I am stunned that the Pasadena Police Oversight Commission might not include a person with Ms. Annang's longstanding NAACP experience and "in the middle" community involvement. Below are reasons why I, a life time member of Pasadena Branch #1054, recommended her for CPOC. **The thought that she and a person from All Saints Church are active with another community organization and therefore both of them should not serve on CPOC is not rational.** Pasadena NAACP and All Saints Church have been more, or as much, involved in civil rights and social justice matters than any other group in the community. Both of them are trusted advocates and in daily contact with persons who will benefit the most from their serving on the CPOC. I urge the City Council to accept the Public Safety Commission's recommendation to seat Florence Annang on CPOC for the following reasons:

- She is an effective, dedicated Executive Board member of the NAACP Pasadena Branch #1054. I have known her in that capacity for more than ten (10) years. She exemplifies the unbiased, well rounded community service volunteer needed to fill this new position.
- Florence has earned the respect and trust of much of the Pasadena and surrounding areas' diverse populations, including those of all ages, economic positions, and education backgrounds.
- Equally important is her relationship with an expanded network of racially diverse individuals and groups who reside, work and/or own businesses in Pasadena and Los Angeles County.
- Ms. Annang is an outstanding NAACP member and will be an ideal CPOC member. She understands the root causes and the devastating effects of social injustice, inequality and bias. She values our citizens and our civil servants. This gives her an advantage that CPOC needs. She is a good listener who is in tune with persons whose voices are often not heard or considered. Flo is well informed and knowledgeable of the governing bodies, elected officials, public and private school administrators, religious leaders and social organization officers.

I have worked closely with Florence on the NAACP Pasadena's Executive Board and Finance Committee; observed her planning and organizing skills as a lead coordinator of the Ruby McKnight Williams Committee (our annual major fundraising event); observed her timely actions when she recommended programs that benefited small businesses and the elderly during the current pandemic; and witnessed her lead community-wide rallies that brought citizens and law enforcement together for productive dialogue and follow up that helped bring about peaceful

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Lois J Gaston

., Duarte, CA 91010

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I highly recommend Florence Annang for this role. She is experienced in team building and communication techniques that help remove barriers of racial, religious, economic, gender and social discrimination through fairness and the democratic process. Please contact me direct at 626 827-6732 or at ljgaston@verizon.net for additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lois Gaston

Lois Gaston, NAACP Life Member
NAACP Pasadena Executive Board Member
Pasadena/Duarte ACT-SO Co-Chairperson
Former Mayor City of Duarte

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From: Kimberly Kenne <I
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:12 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: 'Kimberly Kenne'
Subject: Support for Dr. Mikala Rahn to be recommended to the City Council for the Community Police Oversight Commission

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Pasadena Public Safety Committee Members/City Council,

I would like to support the selection of Dr. Mikala Rahn of Learning Works as a community representative for the Community Police Oversight Commission. She has extensive knowledge and experience in the community of Pasadena and around issues related to policing. Her skills as a researcher and former school Board member will be very useful as this Commission is formed and in her service on the Commission. Dr. Rahn's work has been focused on people living in poverty who are disproportionately affected by 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 organization's mission.

As someone who has known Dr. Rahn for many years and served on the Pasadena Unified School Board alongside her, I believe she would be an important asset to the Commission. In addition to her intellectual capabilities and years of experience, she also brings humility, passion, grace and love. During her service on the school board she was both forthright in calling out areas needing improvement and forgiving in recognizing we are all human.

I can't think of a better candidate for the Community Police Oversight Commission than Dr. Mikala Rahn.

Kim Kenne
Pasadena Unified School Board Member

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From: Rachel Torres <r >
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:17 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Support for Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano

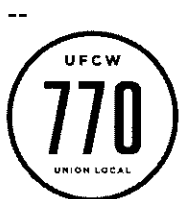
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Good afternoon Mayor Gordo and Fellow City Council Members,

As a long standing community partner of All Saints Church of Pasadena, 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 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.

We thank the Pasadena City Council for your consideration on this matter.

Best regards,
Rachel Torres



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From: Stratz Financial <t
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:23 PM
To: Gordo, Victor
Cc: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Community Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor Gordy and Distinguished Members of the City Council,

Thank you for all of your efforts during these most difficult times.

As a business owner in Pasadena, and All Saints Church Member, I am writing to you in support Florence Annang's and Juliana Serrano's appointment to Pasadena's Community Police Oversight Commission. I was excited to learn of this new this new commission and believe that it can only enhance community-police relations.

Because of their longstanding commitment to education and social justice, Ms. Annang and Ms. Serrano will bring a much needed perspective to the 11 member commission. Ms. Annang's background as Director of Thrive Learning Labs in NW Pasadena, <http://www.thrivelearninglabnwpasadena.com/> and Ms. Serrano's activism in peace and social justice, (<https://allsaints-pas.org/juliana-serrano/>), will serve you/us well.

Thank you for your consideration, and for all you do.

Best,

Tim

Timothy R. Stratz
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Stratz & Company Financial Services
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:24 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: COUNCIL MEETING DATE: April 19, 2021; AGENDA ITEM #15

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Esteemed members of the Pasadena City Council,

The national and local crisis with police shootings (as well as gun violence in general) demands 21st century, innovative thinking and triggers an opportunity to create a reality in which all segments of our community justifiably believe that “protect and serve” applies to them. We can meet this critical moment by developing a transparent structure that gives the community as well as our police department assurance that accountability, fairness, and equity guide policing. With those lofty goals in mind, the success of the Police Oversight Commission most critically depends on its members and their abilities to work well together, understand the nuanced tradeoffs implicit in policing, process complex information, and apply experience and education to devise solutions and policies. Guided by that criteria, I strongly urge the City Council to appoint Dr. Alexis Abernethy to the Police Oversight Commission. Her extensive experience and history of advocacy are well suited to guide our city through this crucial challenge. I believe that her selection will send an important substantive and symbolic message about the city of Pasadena’s commitment to long overdue police reform.

Danny Parker
District 3

Iraheta, Alba

Subject: RE: activists recommended by the committee

From: sarah < >

Sent: Sunday, April 25, 2021 6:51 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: activists recommended by the committee

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I do not understand why the candidates unanimously recommended have not been selected and approved. The only concern I have is that both are women of color and therefore have the same thoughts and aspirations. These would definitely be advantages. These candidates must be considered thoughtfully.

Living in a district extremely well policed in Pasadena ,and as a black woman, I think these candidates are well qualified. Thank you for listening.

Iraheta, Alba

Subject:

RE: Appointment of Florence Annang & Juliana Serrano

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Mayor Gordo and Members of the City Council,

I resident, shopper & church member in Pasadena 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.

Thank you for making these appointments that will make a positive difference in our fair city.

Sincerely,

Olga V. Sarabia

Playhouse District Resident

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From: Nicholas Taylor <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 1:30 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Pasadena Community Oversight Commission (public comment)

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Dear City of Pasadena Official:

I am writing this in strong support of Juliana Serrano and Florence Annang's appointment to the Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission. The Commission is a crucial step in the right direction, to secure and sustain better law enforcement accountability; improving community - police relations, building trust and transparency inside and out of the PPD. Both Ms. Serrano and Ms. Annang have outstanding track records of effective leadership in police relations and in social justice issues. Without a doubt, both of these stellar individuals would be great assets to the 11 member Commission.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this matter and for doing the right thing for Pasadena -- appointing Ms. Serrano and Ms. Annang to this Commission.

Sincerely,

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Nick Taylor, MPH

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From: Brett Shears <
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Flores, Valerie; PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Letter of Support for Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano Re: City Council Agenda Item 15

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Hello,

Please including the following in official correspondence for City Council agenda item #15:

Mayor Gordo and esteemed members of the City Council, please accept my heartfelt endorsement of Juliana Serrano and Florence Annang for two of the community-based seats on this new and important Community Police Oversight Commission.

I can say with confidence that these two strong, competent, and capable women will do a wonderful job reflecting and serving the interests of the community. In the five years that I have come to know them, they have clearly demonstrated the knowledge of, and deep connections to, the community that this commission will need to make tough decisions and, ultimately, inform the City Council about what it needs to know in order to make their own decisions.

Thank you for considering my recommendation and these two outstanding candidates.

Brett Shears
Los Angeles, CA
Co-Chair of PEPPEG
PCC Class of 2010

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Brett Shears Contact Info

Pronouns: He, him, his

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From: Allison Henry
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 1:42 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Item for 4-26-21 Agenda Item 15--CBO Member of Police Oversight Commission

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Greetings Mayor and Members of the City Council:

My name is Allison Henry, I live in district 3. I am a housing and tenant advocate and organizer, and a 15 year resident of Pasadena. I was also recently asked to serve on the Mayor's Housing Element Task Force.

I write 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 met Patrice at housing events and forums in Pasadena, hosted by organizations such as Making Housing and Community Happen, Union Station, and others. I welcome her support and interest in Pasadena housing and tenant issues. She recognizes the housing and tenant struggle; and as a woman she is deeply aware of the way housing costs and injustice disproportionately hit us women, particularly women of color. I feel Patrice would bring a key perspective to the Police Oversight Commission. I am honored to write this letter of support for her to serve on the Oversight Commission.

We are lucky that so many Pasadena community members stepped forward to apply for this important body. As a resident who volunteers A LOT of my time, I wish to say a big thank you to ALL my fellow Pasadena peeps who applied for the Police Oversight Commission.

Sincerely,
Allison Henry
District 3

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From: Nancy A. Macky
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:43 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: A voice for diversity.

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I am a senior resident, a church member and voter in 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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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,

Nancy A. Macky, Ph.D.

Pasadena 91107

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Subject: RE: comments for City Council Meeting TODAY

From: Beth Elder <be >

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:45 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: comments for City Council Meeting TODAY

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As residents of Pasadena, my husband and I support the following candidates to be our representatives to the Community Police Oversight Commission. I know all three of these candidates to be dedicated to helping our community be fair and just to all of our citizens. A critical part of that is based on good policing practices. We believe community involvement in oversight of police is critically important to a fair justice system.

The first two have already been recommended unanimously by the Public Safety Committee, and should be approved immediately. The third is highly qualified, and would be an excellent third citizen member of the commission.

- 1.) Florence Annang
- 2.) Juliana Serrano
- 3.) Patrice Marshall McKenzie

Please share this comment for the Public Safety Committee Meeting today, 4-26-2021

Thank you kindly,

Beth and George Elder

Pasadena, CA 91107

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Subject: RE: Police Commission

From: Katherine Gillespie < >

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:55 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Police Commission

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

Regards,

Katherine Gillespie
186 Sierra View, Pasadena

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Subject: RE: Pasadena Police Oversight Commission

From: Juanita Tillman < >
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 2:56 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: Pasadena Police Oversight Commission

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To: Pasadena City Council
From: Juanita West Tillman
Pasadena Business Owner
Pasadena NAACP Secretary

Dear Mayor Gordo and Councilmembers:

I am again writing to support the appointment of two well-qualified candidates, Florence Annang and Juliana Serrano, who represent community based organizations. The effectiveness of the Commission will be tremendously enhanced with Florence representing Pasadena NAACP and Juliana representing All Saints Church.

Florence and Juliana have proven that they are committed, courageous and enthusiastic community bridge builders. They bring a level of trust to situations that involve strife and have worked tirelessly for police reform. The relationships they have developed with the police and community will prove to be assets for the commission.

I urge you to go deep in your thought processes and come up with a decision that will lend direction and clarity to the Police Oversight Commission selections. Indecisiveness leads to chaos and confusion. Please let's do better in Pasadena so we can be better.

Sincerely,
Juanita West Tillman

Iraheta, Alba

Subject:

RE: Dr. Mikala Rahn appointed to commision

-----Original Message-----

From: Charlena Green < >

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:05 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Dr. Mikala Rahn appointed to commision

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To whom it may concern,

I have worked for learning works for 5 years. Everyone here is like family to me. Ms. Rahn is such an amazing role model an inspiration. Working for her is such a blessing. I am a single mom and have gone through many struggles. Ms Rahn has been my biggest supporter and always there anytime she is needed. I have seen kids start here, scared angry and lost, but after spending time with Ms. Rahn they have changed in so many ways and graduated. I am truly honored and blessed to work at such an amazing school. At age 46 being a high school drop out myself, never even considered going back to school or GED, but as of next month I will also be getting my high school diploma because Ms Rahn and our students have been my biggest inspirations!!!!!!

Thank you

Charlena Green

Iraheta, Alba

Subject: RE: Alexis Abernethy for the Police Oversight Committee

From: Yvonne Hill < >

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:08 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Alexis Abernethy for the Police Oversight Committee

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Alexia Abernethy would be a great asset to this committee, she is a very fair minded and highly intelligent person. I have been a resident of Pasadena for over 25 years and I have known Alexis for over 10 years. I highly recommend Alexis Abernethy for a seat on the Police Oversight Committee and request she be strongly considered.

Thank You,

Yvonne Hill

Iraheta, Alba

Subject:

RE: Police Oversight Commission

From: Anthony Moore < >

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:09 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

My name is Lewis Moore and I live in Council District 4. I have lived in Pasadena for 8 years. I grew up in Altadena and attended John Muir High School.

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 John Muir High School. We are both class of 1993. 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.

Lewis Anthony Moore III
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Iraheta, Alba

Subject:

RE: Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

From: Maurice Shrader-Frechette <>

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:10 PM

To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Pasadena Community Police Oversight Commission

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Sincerely,

Maurice Shrader-Frechette

Lower Hastings Ranch

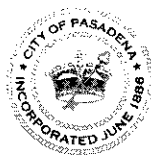
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Subject: RE: Police Oversight Commission

From: Morales, Margo <mlmorales@cityofpasadena.net>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:23 PM
To: Carolyn Garner-Reagan <clg708@gmail.com>
Cc: Rivas, Jessica <jerivas@cityofpasadena.net>; De La Cuba, Vannia <VDeLaCuba@cityofpasadena.net>; Public Comment <publiccomments@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: RE: Police Oversight Commission

Hello and Thank you for your email. I will make sure Councilmember Rivas receives it before today's meeting and that it's made part of the public record.



Margo L. Morales
Field Representative, Council District 5
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From: De La Cuba, Vannia <VDeLaCuba@cityofpasadena.net>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 1:40 PM
To: Rivas, Jessica <jerivas@cityofpasadena.net>
Cc: Carolyn Garner-Reagan <clg708@gmail.com>; Morales, Margo <mlmorales@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: Fw: Police Oversight Commission

Councilmember Rivas,

Carolyn asked that I forward the below email to you as she was unable to find your email on the District 5 page.

Kindly,

Vannia

Vannia De La Cuba
Deputy to Mayor Victor M. Gordo
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Subject: Police Oversight Commission

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Dear Victor,

I am writing to urge you and the entire Council to confirm Juliana Serrano and Florence Annang to the Police Oversight Commission

While I do not know Ms. Annang, I do know Ms. Serrano and I think she would make an excellent member because of her knowledge of Pasadena and its citizens as well as her open and thoughtful manner.

As a longtime community volunteer, my experience is that it is very common for active volunteers and concerned citizens to cross paths or end up involved in the same organizations - Pasadena just is not that big. I hope you will point that out to your fellow Council members who are concerned about Ms. Serrano and Ms Annang being on the same Board. I believe that this is an entirely unwarranted concern and a spec argument.

Sincerely,
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Subject: RE: In support of Mikala Rahn

-----Original Message-----

From: Fajima Bedran <>
Sent: Monday, April 26, 2021 3:28 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>
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My name is Fajima Bedran. I live on North Raymond Avenue, in Pasadena. I have had conversations with Mikala, and and Father Greg Boyle regarding the issues that Pasadena faces. I work at Homeboy Industries, in mental health, alongside Dr. Rahn. I'm speaking in support of Mikala being appointed to the Commission representing the community-based organization Learning Works. She has extensive knowledge and experience in the community of Pasadena and issues related to policing. 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. 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.

Thank you,
Fajima Bedran
Pasadena resident