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It's crazy to me that Pasadena City Council is essentially a group that rubber stamps all these contractor budgets without thinking critically about the benefits of each program. In the case of todays meeting, you are considering giving Axon an additional \$1 million to provide body worn cameras for the police department. How is that footage used, are video made available to the public? Do videos get sent to Axon for storage? Is it secure? Are we any safer for spending this money? Are the residents of Pasadena really getting their moneys worth from these programs?

We know that police lie, commit crimes and steal and have no problem turning these cameras off when doing so. How can we be sure we're not just throwing money away to make it seem like there is some kind of accountability? I think the residents of Pasadena deserve REAL accountability! The civilian oversight committee should be granted more power to investigate personnel within PPD and the power to determine how to ensure more transparency in the operations of PPD to determine what actual accountability would look like.