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Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Anna

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address: Pasadena,

Lou Parker

CA 91104

### **Comments:**

I strongly support the Tornek-Kennedy proposal for police oversight. Please pass it without further delay.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item #6

Name: Katy

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Townsend

a

Street, Pasadena, CA 91103

### **Comments:**

Dear Mayor Terry Tornek and City Councilmembers,

An officer who is doing the right thing on a daily basis would want to have a camera on them and would not mind having a Civilian Police Oversight Committee. There are a lot of different types of oversights of the police and I feel strongly that the proposal the Public Safety Committee has structured will allow us to feel a level of confidence, and will allow the City to begin moving in the right direction. I support the efforts of Councilmember John Kennedy in pushing for Police Oversight. His leadership and policy positions are steady and don't waiver based on the populism – he has my trust and the trust of many other in the community, now we want to trust the Pasadena City Councilmembers to collectively do the right thing and vote "Yes" on Civilian Police Oversight as presented. I do not want a Councilmember marching with Black Lives matter because of a political election agenda, yet they take money from the police unions, and they vote contrary to their pretentious ceremonial marching, show me action by your VOTE — "VOTE YES"!

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Butler -

Email:

**Phone:** 626-

Address:

Elder Day CAre

Pasadena, CA 91104

### **Comments:**

Hello City Council,

I am the proud owner of Butler - Elder Day care in Pasadena. The parents are essential workers, Nurses, Store clerks, Postal employees, etc. The latest shooting has caused the parents to feel uneasy within our city. I ask that you put the stall tactics to rest and vote for the Civilian Oversight commission. Some of the parents shop in our community as well as work. For the sanity of our City and Guests, Vote Yes for a Civilian Oversight commission.

Thank you,

S. Butler - Owner

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Alice Custance-Baker Address: Pasadena, CA 91106

### **Comments:**

I am a Pasadena District 5 Resident. I am asking you, our elected officials, to create a police oversight body comprised of an INDEPENDENT auditor and selected community members for the commission WITH SUBPOENA POWER. There is no ambiguity in my ask to align a proposal with the Community Bill of Rights. This is more crucial than ever following the murder of Anthony McClain at the hands of a Pasadena Police Officer on August 15th.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item #6

Name: Mary

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address: Pasadena,

Crosby

CA 91001

### **Comments:**

I support the proposal for a community police oversight commission - now is the time to Vote "YES!"

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 16

Name: Paul

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Gibson

Street, Altadena, CA 91001

### **Comments:**

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Council Members,

All four of my children graduated from Pasadena High School. One of my daughters has been teaching in Pasadena Unified School District for 19 years. I have lived or worked in Pasadena for over 44 years. I'm taking this opportunity, though I no longer live within the city limits, to raise my voice in support of the Pasadena Community Bill of Rights.

The City of Pasadena is an incredible city!! I think we can do MUCH more to guard and protect the SANCTITY of LIFE for all inhabitants. The Pasadena Police Department must surely find ways to eradicate attitudes, actions and policies which allow infinitely valuable lives to be extinguished without due process. I know that each one of you would consider it a ABSOLUTE travesty if one of your adult children was executed without receiving a fair trial.

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO...THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA...WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL! We must spare no effort to make what we pledge, an experienced reality for ALL American citizens!!! THANK YOU.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address: 280 E. Elizabeth,

Slomique Elder

s.elder21@yahoo.com

296-0133

Pasadena, CA 91104

### **Comments:**

Hello Mayor and City Council,

The City of Pasadena will absolutely benefit from a Police Civilian Oversight committee. Coupled with the Independent Auditor, the basic framework can be further developed. This committee will review Officer behavior, a check and balance system. But there has to be visibility, no side deals, and no back door tactics. Isn't this latest officer involved shooting a concern for you? I'm very concerned, and a little afraid for the safety of family and friends. As you can tell my family is black. Protests, protests, protests...do Black lives matter? The time is now, Vote in favor of the Oversight Committee.

Thank you,

Slomique Elder

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Fabienne

Doiron

St, Pasadena, CA 91107

### **Comments:**

Dear Pasadena City Council Members,

I am a Pasadena resident who cares about the health and safety of EVERYONE in our community. I am writing today because I am concerned about the current state of the proposed Civilian Oversight Committee. The events of Saturday, August 15, 2020, in which Anthony McClain was shot three times while running away from the police (who later pepper sprayed a justifiably angry crowd of family members and friends, including children) clearly demonstrate the need for accountability in the Pasadena Police Department. However, the proposed oversight committee does little to ensure that policing in our city will change.

I urge you to postpone the vote on the Civilian Oversight Committee until it can be amended to integrate the demands of the community. This Committee should include representation from Black Lives Matter Pasadena, it should NOT include police officers or law enforcement appointees, any and all video footage from police-involved shootings or other police misconduct should be released within 24 hours of the incident.

Thank you,

Fabienne Doiron

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Greta

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Banks

Pasadena, CA 9113

### **Comments:**

Hello Mayor & City Council,

The officer involved shootings are becoming the norm. I believe the reason is because of the lack of police oversight. Saturday's event is unfortunate, but was it the only option, I would like the City to act swiftly with the help of a Community Oversight commission. This City Council should no longer hesitate. I've read that some of you have accepted funds from the Police Union. Now you can fix a systemic problem and vote Yes, to a Civilian Oversight committee.

Sincerely,

G. Banks

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Janneke

street, Pasadena, CA 91104

**Briggs** 

### **Comments:**

My name is Janneke Briggs, I am a Pasadena resident district 2, a mother, and a teacher at a PUSD school in North West Pasadena. I am concerned for our city, I am concerned especially for the marginalized in our city. Our city needs healing. Our residents need to be heard. Our city needs trust.,

I once again ask you to create a police oversight committee with an independent auditor and elected members from our community with subpoena power. This commission cannot include any law enforcement (current or retired) and should have direct authority over the Independent Investigator. Given the tragic death of one of our residents and the pain and questions it has left behind I once again urge you to move on this swiftly. We don't have any more time to lose.

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# Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Drueciel

**Bolton Ford** 

Email:

Phone: .\_.

Address:

..., Pasadena, CA

91103

Comments:

Greetings Mayor and City Council,

The time has come for you to create a Police oversight committee. I have seen the video and it is very disturbing. Don't you use better behavior when you know that you will be reviewed. This will be for the good of the city, because the City will adopt an Independent auditor. Please help the city to feel safer and to sleep better. Vote in favor of a Police Oversight committee.

Thanks,

Drueciel Bolton Ford

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Sarah Tatum

Pasadena, CA 91104

### **Comments:**

Pasadena should create a citizen oversight commission made up of community members most impacted by police violence, and selected by the City Council in an open, transparent and public process. Pasadena should hire an Independent Police Auditor who does not report to the City Manager, who has subpoena power to provide true oversight in the review and investigation processes along with the commission. M

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Kathee

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Hennigan

Bautista

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Monrovia, CA 91016

### **Comments:**

Pasadena should create a citizen oversight commission made up of community members most impacted by police violence, inclusive of those living in Northwest Pasadena, selected by the City Council in an open, transparent, and public process.

Pasadena should hire an Independent Police Auditor (IPA) who does not report to the City Manager (to whom the Chief of Police also reports), who has subpoena power to provide true oversight in the review and investigation processes along with the commission.

The City Council should insist that an investigation take place regarding the aggressive actions of the Pasadena Police and their partner police departments towards peaceful protesters who are expressing their civil rights.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Amy Turilli Address: Pasadena, CA 91103

#### **Comments:**

On May 31, 2020, I attended a candlelight vigil at Pasadena City Hall to honor the memory of George Floyd, a black man who was killed by the Minneapolis Police on May 25, 2020. Less than three months later Anthony McClain, a black man, is shot and killed by a Pasadena police officer whose body camera wasn't operating when he fired his weapon. As I write this comment, Kenosha, WI is a tinderbox ready to blow as Jacob Blake, a black man, fights for his life after being shot seven times by a white cop. Pasadena needs a police oversight commission with subpoena power and an independent auditor. There are 141,000 people living in Pasadena. The budget for the Police department is \$91 Million. That roughly comes out to \$65,000.00 that the Pasadena Police are allotted per resident. I don't call the police, because I don't want anyone to get shot, or smacked with a nightstick, or tased, or gassed, or choked, or knocked down by a cop using a bicycle like a battering ram. Please use my share of that bloated police budget to help fund the civilian police oversight commission. Thank you.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Jessica

Phone:

Address:

Pasadena, CA

Valentine

91103

### **Comments:**

Mayor Terry Tornek and Councilmember,

I am pleased to write a letter urging the Pasadena City Council to vote in favor of the Proposal submitted by the Public Safety Committee chaired by Councilmember John Kennedy. I am over 90 years old and safety is a priority, and not just for me, but the community, my neighbors, young people, and the blacks who are in fear of fair treatment by the Police department. We need our police department as they are to protect and serve I believe it the Police department and I think we have a fine Police Chief in John Perez and wonderful Deputy Chief Cheryl Moody, but we must find ways to create healthy relationships that are built on trust. The Civilian Oversight Committee will be a good start. I am grateful that John checks on me to make sure I am safe and okay. We are blessed to have his leadership. Tonight I ask you to please vote "yes" on the Civilian Police Oversight Proposal!

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Caryn

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Clayton

Av., Pasadena, CA 91104

### **Comments:**

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a community police oversight commission. The Public Safety Committee has worked to get the proposal to the city council. After the Officer Involved shooting event of August, 15, it is very importance that the "basic steps" are approved as a starting point. Residents are feeling uneasy. Please vote Yes for the Police Oversight Committee.

Sincerely, Caryn Clayton

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item # 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Helen Carter

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Pasadena, CA 91106

### **Comments:**

As I voice my support for the proposal for a community police oversight commission, as presented by the public safety committee, it is clear to me that a "YES" vote by each member of our city council is the right choice for the entire community.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Jacqueline

Collier

, Altadena, CA 91001

### **Comments:**

Dear Pasadena City Council,

My life is dedicated to serving my neighbors, friends, family and those who I don't know. I have watched the McClain video, Officer involved shootings are very disturbing me. It would be in the City of Pasadena's best interest to vote Yes for a Civilian Police oversight commission. Why wait for another incident to happen? Vote yes, without delay.

God Bless,

Jackie Collier, your next door neighbor

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item #6

Name: Barbra	Email:		Phone:	Address: ^^^
McPheeters	•		•	Pasadena,
		<del>-</del> -		California 91103

### **Comments:**

Dear Mayor Tornek and City Councilmembers,

I support the proposal for a community police oversight commission as presented by the Public Safety Committee. After the Officer Involved shooting event of August 15, it is importance that the Council approve the proposal. Councilman John Kennedy envisioned the need for a Civilian Police Oversight committee many years ago - now is the time to Vote "YES!"

Our Community is crying for justice!! The Pasadena Police department will appreciate the Civilian Community Oversight and an Independent Auditor – we will learn to work together.

This proposal is a step in the right direction, and a basic platform on which the City Council will be able to improve.

I am hopeful that each member of our City Council will stand on the right side of history. Please vote "YES" for the proposal before you submitted by the Public Safety Committee.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Vanessa

Email:

Address:

Bailey

Pasadena, CA 91101

### **Comments:**

I strongly support the formation of a Community Police Oversight Commission and an Independent Auditor. These steps are necessary to ensure a fair and full investigation into alleged police misconduct, including the death of Anthony McClain. I also request that the officer who shot McClain be taken off of active patrol while the investigation is underway. Over the past several months Pasadena leadership has decried police brutality in other cities and touted progressive ideals for our police force. Now more than ever we must follow through.

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Tony

Email:

**Phone:** 626-

Address:

Collier

1., Altadena, CA 91001

### **Comments:**

Hello Mayor Tornek and City Council,

I am disturbed by the shooting of Anthony McClain. Even though my family resides in Altadena, we are all of God's children. Black men are dying at disproportionate numbers. I ask that you do something, cast a Yes vote, for the Civilian police oversight committee. Save some lives, work with the young people, offer training and jobs. Correct your ancestors wrong, do what's right. Vote for a independent Auditor and police oversight.

God Bless,

Tony Collier

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Wesley Reutimann Address: Pasadena, CA 91103

### Comments:

Preventable injuries and fatalities. Families torn apart. Lifelong psychological impacts. Millions in legal settlements.

Regardless of legality, the status quo in Pasadena over the past decade remains a no win situation for all parties.

We can do better.

As a community that values science, evidence-based public policy, and good governance, Pasadena cannot look at recent events and say this is the best we can do.

As a community that has experienced and discussed life-changing and fatal use-of-force incidents for years, but taken little formal action, Pasadena cannot pretend doing the same thing will result in better outcomes.

Other communities have managed to prevent dangerous and life-changing interactions between law enforcement and members of the public. Effective policing need not come at so high a cost to human life, public health, and municipal finances.

Your first step should be avoiding further delay, supporting Item 6 before you, and formally starting the process to 1) create a Citizen Oversight Commission made up of companity open bers Items 6

selected by the City Council in an open, transparent, and public process; and 2) hire an Independent
Police Auditor with subpoena power to provide expert, third-party oversight in departmental review
and investigation.

We can do better. Please support Agenda Item 6.

Thank you,

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name: Delano

Email:

**Phone:** 626-

d, Pasadena,

Yarbrough

CA 91104

Address:

### **Comments:**

It is requested that the City Council approve the "Proposal for a Community Police Oversight Commission" as presented by the Public Safety Committee. The needless OIS on August 15, 2020 is just another example indication that PPD needs objective oversight. The proposal is a "starter" that provides a beginning platform for further development. The time is now as officers are killing or injuring Black males needlessly. PPD policy could also be addressed such that it would be a winwin situation for officers and the victims of needless OIS. A yes vote by the Council moves the City of Pasadena,

the PPD and the citizens that distrust the PPD toward building a more effective and improved relationship. Vote for acceptance of the proposal by the Public Safety Committee for a "Community Police Oversight commission and Independent Auditor".

Sincerely

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## Public Comment for Meeting on August 24, 2020 about Agenda Item 6

Name:

Email:

Phone: 626-

Address:

Pamela Gasper

Altadena, CA 91001

### Comments:

Hello Pasadena Mayor and City Council,

The death of Anthony McClain is very upsetting. But it is even more disturbing that your city council can't work together for the better of your city. I'm responding because I patronize your city. But some actions are uncalled for. For instance, it has been reported that some of you have accepted money from the police union. Is that the reason you don't want to vote for Police oversight. The time is now, Altadena, LaCanada-Flintridge, Alhambra, So PAsadena, Arcadia and others are watching your choices. Why not take the high road, Vote yes, for the Independent auditor and a civilian oversight committee. Show that Pasadena can and will do what's best for it's residents and neighbors.

Sincerely,

Pamela Gasper