

Communication from Public

Name: Charlie Burke

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello- I am reaching out to voice my support of the City Council motion to replace police officers with unarmed trained professionals for calls about unhoused individuals, mental health and substance use emergencies. This is incredibly important and a great use of resources and taxpayer money, which should not be going to an inflated police budget. Defund the police! MORE THAN 150 MILLION!

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Name: Jo Ann

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Comments for Public Posting: The reduction of officers will have a negative impact on our poor communities. We need officers to respond in a timely manner to our calls for service. Our children will greatly suffer at the hands of criminals. In addition, the youth programs that LAPD offers has been instrumental in helping our kids develop social skills as well as discipline, which is needed to lead a child to advancing in life. This letter is in response to item #1 on the agenda. I don't want items J and B to be passed as it will guarantee that crime will increase as there will be fewer first responders available. We want to feel safe in our community. Don't take our officers off the street.

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Name: Marisol Rivera

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Comments for Public Posting: The city of Los Angeles needs to reform the budget allocated to policing. Our city is in dire need for funds to be fairly distributed to the sectors that will actually make a difference in the lives of its working-class citizens, such as education, health, and affordable housing. The inequity that exists in these sectors has led to the societal repercussions that are rampant in this city (in this country) - crime, drug abuse, homelessness, lack of opportunities, etc. And it is deplorable that this city's representatives think it appropriate to allocate more than half of this city's budget to policing; to a task force that does not protect and serve, but instead has proven time and time again to abuse its power and murder innocent people - black and brown people! How many more killings of people of color - of people with mental health issues - of people with special needs - are we supposed to tolerate? Pumping more money into a broken system is insanity. The people have spoken - defund the police!