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At: Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 2:19 PM

Hi again, Everyone!

Happy Monday! The start of another week means we all have another opportunity to be productive and get the week off to a great start. I'm an Angeleno and I live in District District 4. I am writing to demand you consider the People's Budget LA for the 2020-2021 fiscal year and revise the current budget accordingly.

Unlike the Mayor's budget, which — even with cuts and proposed reapportionments — gives more than half of unrestricted funds to the LAPD, the People's Budget LA gives only 5.7% to the police. Survey takers determined that the city should prioritize universal needs (such as housing, childcare, healthy food, clear air and water), pandemic recovery, built environment, and reimagined public safety over the police department. You need to engage directly with communities, especially Black and Indigenous communities — the most at risk of police brutality and murder — to create a budget that serves ALL Angelenos.

Over the past several weeks, our city has shown its overwhelming support for defunding the LAPD. It has made clear — through both physical and digital actions— that LA must not use its money to fund the murderous LAPD.

Throughout this time of mass protest, the police have reacted with extreme violence and unwarranted escalation towards peaceful protestors and our unhoused neighbors. LAPD Commander Cory Palka flashed a White Power signal on television. Chief Moore blamed the police murder of George Floyd on LA protestors. Many police officers have hurt, abused and maimed.

This is unacceptable and LAPD must be defunded, now. I urge you to support the People's Budget LA.

All the best, Megan Salinas

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Peoples Budget LA/Measure A/Defund the Police

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From: 'Melissa Chalsma' via Clerk Budget and Finance Committee <Clerk.BudgetandFinanceCommittee@lacity.org> **To:** clerk.budgetandfinancecommittee@lacity.org **At:** Mon, Jun 22, 2020 at 11:05 AM

I am in support of the PeoplesBudgetLA and a radical re-imaging of how we allocate funding towards public safety.

Now is the time to act boldly.

\$150 million is not enough pulled from the LAPD is simply not enough—More must be done to keep our community safe, housed, and secure.

I believe in a Los Angeles that is a safe, just, and thriving city for ALL.

And I support Measure A and it must be implemented fully, bravely, and with adequate funding to actually make a difference.

Defund the police.

Melissa