

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Anti-racist training must a requirement for ALL officers and staff before any funds are released to the LAPD. I mean real training run by actual anti-racist experts. You have to change the culture. The LAPD must identify and remove all white supremacists in the police force TODAY. The amount of money being spent on policing the population, specifically, the Black and Latino population is out of proportion to our needs. Do not spend our money on military grade equipment, President Obama stopped the militarization of the police and President Trump removed those restrictions. Do not fall in line with Trump. Just because you can, doesn't mean you should. Militarization takes money away from real initiatives that actually help us. We need education. We need housing. We need help for the homeless. WE NEED PPE FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL because this pandemic is not over and it is hitting communities of color harder than the rest. Please make the words of todays powerful council meeting manifest in ways that we can SEE and FEEL. Thank you.