

Communication from Public

Name: Val
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:48 PM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: Please keep LA safe. I DO NOT support DEFUNDING of LAPD.

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Name: Marti

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:55 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I DO NOT support DeFunding the LAPD!!

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Name: Craig

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:33 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We need a safe Los Angeles. Do not defund the LAPD.

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Name: Stefany Koval

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:47 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police will have a tremendous negative impact in our society. Crime is up over 300% and we will follow suit if we do not take action to protect our citizens. Defunding the police is not the answer and will have irreversible consequences on our society. The public no longer feels safe!

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Name: John hsu

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:16 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I do not support cutting LAPD's budget.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am against defunding the LAPD. This movement to blame our police for society's problems is entirely wrong and I am opposed to any elected official pandering to these anarchists who have destroyed our cities and won't be happy until they overthrow our democracy. Most if not all of the new reform measures being discussed nation-wide for police have already been a part of LAPD policies and procedures for years. Have the LAPD report on the last time anyone was placed in a choke hold and where it is at on their use of force scale and you will find they consider it lethal force and it is seldom used. Ask about civilian oversight and their community safety partnership programs. Defunding the police will result in fewer officer on patrol, you will find out that sending unarmed non law enforcement to minor dispute calls and similar will be a failure and end up getting someone hurt and you will be to blame and expose the city to even more litigation losses. Be leaders and stop pandering to small numbers pf groups with the loudest voice who call everyone racists who don't agree with them, groups that are violent and hell bent on destruction. SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT 1. Restore overtime funding immediately. 2. Restore the LAPD budget 3. Restore funding to get LAPD civilians back to work 4. Fix the vehicles you allowed to get destroyed by pandering to the protestors. 5. Have the chief of police flatten out the organization and push more officers back to patrol and increase the community safety partnership. STOP HAVING LAPD OFFICERS BABYSITTING THE COUNCIL AND MAYOR you disrespect the police officers, but some of you still have personal protection details. While you make the rest of the city more unsafe, you have a taxpayer funded private police force to protect you. This is hypocritical behavior. The council is making a grave mistake turning their back on our police, voters are watching, the kind that vote and don't destroy the city....the silent majority....

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Name: SK

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:32 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I categorically oppose any defunding of our police! I want a safe LA and we need our police 100% funded. We need safe streets and protection in a timely fashion. Lives depend on our police!

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Name: Agudath Israel of California

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Submitted on behalf of Agudath Israel of California: On June 16th the Los Angeles City Council adopted a motion directing the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to identify \$100 to 150 million of reductions in the Los Angeles Police Department Budget for the purposes of reinvesting these funds into disadvantaged communities and communities of color. The report back to the City Council has now been made public. Despite assurances to the contrary, the proposal will seriously impact Public Safety. In addition, the proposed use of these funds is vague, far from thought out, and not directed toward improving police performance or redirecting provision of service currently provided by the police to other more appropriate entities. For these reasons we strongly feel that this proposal be defeated by the City Council and rethought in a way that will fulfill the goals of Police Reform without devastating the safety of the public. The following should be guiding principles for any proposal to address Police Reform: 1- Racial discrimination is a serious problem in our society. Despite improvements, many African Americans still fear harassment, bodily harm and even death when encountering police officers. This demands immediate and effective action to correct. 2- Such action should be well thought out so that it effectively addresses the problem. 3- Public safety is of paramount importance. Every neighborhood, no matter the income level, influence, or racial makeup deserves and wants protection so that people can live their lives without fear. Any proposal that compromises the safety of the public, should be rejected. The CAO/CLA proposal to the City Council fails to meet the above stated requirements and should be defeated. Please note the following deficits from the report itself: Public Safety: 1- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by \$16,631,000 with the actual number of sworn officers being 10,009 as opposed to the 10,103 budgeted for in 2020-21. This will prevent the Department from filling 94 sworn positions above the attrition of 495 officers. 2- The report aims to reduce civilian overtime for a reduction of \$2,000,000. This will reduce the Department's flexibility to assign civilian employees such as police service representatives and detention officers. 3- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by \$74,307,000 by reducing non-reimbursable sworn overtime. This will negatively impact

deployment due to officers using banked overtime to take time off. 4- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by \$5,000,000 as reduced funding for replacement vehicles. This will increase the fleet's out of service rate from 11% to 20%. 5- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by \$3,280,000 in expenditures for technology in record keeping and work stations. The antiquated existing systems increase response time. 6- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by \$5,000,000 for expense accounts. This covers such items as firearms, ammunition, and field equipment purchase. 7- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by close to \$26,000,000 by reducing hiring of sworn officers from 503 to 251. This will reduce the sworn deployment to 9,757 by June 30,2021. This will result in delayed response and the elimination of 35 basic car patrols. 8- The report aims to reduce the LAPD budget by close to \$9,000,000 by reducing civilian hiring from 145 to zero. This will result in many sworn officers being assigned to civilian duty. Use of the funds saved by reduction of the LAPD Budget: There are only general statements as to how these funds are to be allocated. The CAO and CLA are directed to report to the Council with recommendations on how to reinvest this money back to impacted communities. The following City agencies are being directed to report on programs that could support the equitable use of these funds, devise a community engagement strategy and a monitoring system to track the funds: 1-Economic and Workforce Development 2- Housing and Community Investment 3-Youth Development Taskforce 4-Recreation and Parks 5- Civil and Human Rights 6- Human Relations While these are all wonderful agencies, none of them deal with police reform or retraining. None are involved with restructuring the Department so that trained civilians respond to calls that don't require police force. None of them address the issues that this redirection of funds is meant to address. For the above reasons Agudath Israel of California feels that this motion should be defeated and a well thought out approach that addresses the serious issues of racial discrimination consistent with principles of good governance, be brought forward in it's place. Please feel free to respond or to reply with any questions. Dr. Irving Lebovics on behalf of Agudath Israel of California Dr. Irving Lebovics Chairman, Agudath Israel of California 310-659-8152 310-4

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Name: Lucy

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:43 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: It is a disgrace that you would allow the mob to dictate policy. Your jobs as civil servants is to review and make decisions based on facts, not emotions. Review the changes that were made to improve community relations after Rodney King . LAPD must be used as the model for other departments. You can't judge LAPD based on what occurred in MN. I personally feel your votes would be different if you lived in the communities that rely on the Police to protect and serve. I pray you focus on facts and not political agendas and FALSE narratives.

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Name: Mayda
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:44 PM
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Name: Steve
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:52 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding LAPD

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Name: Jon Nierengarten

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:03 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund the police at all. LAPD does an excellent job, and I'd like to continue raising my children in a clean, safe Los Angeles. I don't want to see this beautiful city revert to the bad old days.

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Name: Ariana Bella Gutierrez

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:09 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE HEAR OUR VOICE - The Angelinos who support our law enforcement officers! Shame on the city council members for even considering “defunding the police” and caving in to BLM movement. Citizens, teachers, and small businesses support our law enforcement officers!! We must defend them and support them during this time. Shame on you, we will vote at the ballot!! SUPPORT OUR POLICE OR GET OUT OF OFFICE!!! As our city leaders, you MUST hear our voices! As a small business owner and mom, I fear what life would be like if we defunded the police! Stop giving in to demands of criminals!

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Name: Mario Camberos

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:10 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a senior citizen and member of the community of Los Angeles I'm so incredibly disappointed to witness the anti-police rhetoric that is occurring, more so the lack of support by city leaders!! I'm appalled and outraged that law abiding citizens don't have a voice, rather today's disrespectful youth that "march" in the streets, riot, and loot are being heard. The radical views of BLM are being embraced. This is insanity!! I support the police, my community and small businesses need the police. Without police crime will increase, domestic violence victims will suffer, child abuse victims will suffer, innocent hard working people will suffer! Victimization towards seniors will increase, burglaries, robberies, and homicides will all increase! The blood is on your hands!! I run a 385 member strong senior center in Los Angeles and we VOTE!! If you defund the police, we are watching!! We need MORE police in LA. Los Angeles has one of the lowest in a large metropolitan city per capita. Our police need support! Our public transportation systems need police! The citizens of Los Angeles don't need to be victimized by criminals and transients. Wake up people!!!! We ARE WATCHING! We will vote you out! Defend and support our law enforcement and the law abiding citizens of this city!!!

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Name: Gene

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I want a safe Los Angeles and do not support defunding LAPD in any way. They do a great job often times in difficult circumstances.

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Name: Kevin

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:15 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: From a family living in Studio City, please do not defund the police department. We do not want the LAPD defunded in anyway whatsoever. We want a peaceful and safe county and it has not felt safe or peaceful for the last several years. Quality of life in the Valley has been going downhill. We need a strong, well funded LAPD now more than ever. Calls to 911 in the Valley have significant wait times. Filing police reports for burglaries, smash n grabs, and assaults takes so long now many/most folks can't afford the time to bother with a report. Due to this discouraging state of affairs true crime, non reported crime is rampant. We know, we live here amongst all of our hard working neighbors. Please stop listening to the vocal minority. Please listen to the hard working taxpayers and do not defund any part of the LAPD. We need them.

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Name: Justin

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: LAPD CANNOT BE DEFUNDED!!! Police make this city safe so that I can go to work and come home. We NEED more not less!!!

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Name: Maria Gonzalez

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: This message is for those who want to Cut the budget to our Police Officers. Your decision will impact negatively the life of the children in this community. We the people, support Law enforcement. We the people, support our Police Officers. Defund our Police Officers means more Crime on the streets and our children will pay the consequences for your decision. We the people are against Defund our Police Officers

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Name: Artin

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:31 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the LAPD would do more harm than good. As a citizen of this city I am against defunding. If anything investing more funds to create better, more efficient and coherent ideas and programs would be more beneficial. With that said i say no to any budget cuts for LAPD. We need all the help we can get during these times.

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Name: Ama

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:59 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding LAPD, I want Los Angeles to be a safe place. We need the police. Crime will not end if we defund the police. If the police are defunded, there will be delayed response when people who are in need call 911. If we defund the police, those most affected will be the poor and the marginalized. I want to live in a safe city. Thank you

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Name: Michelle Fors

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Los Angeles City Council, Thank you for taking up this important issue regarding defunding the LAPD. Los Angeles is a large City with too many problems to count. I feel it would be a huge mistake to even consider defunding the police during these incredibly uncertain and frightening times. Please DO NOT defund the police. In fact, I respectfully request you defend, not defund

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Name: Alejandro Camarillo
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Name: Ana Reed

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:08 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund LAPD. We need them. Our city needs them.
I do want to leave or have to get a firearm to feel safe.

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Name: X. Wells

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:09 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We want a safe City of Los Angeles. Please do not defund LAPD

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Name: Shannon Sommer

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:19 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: We do not support defunding the LAPD. I foresee many issues stemming from this, including higher crime areas being directly impacted.

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Name: Deborah

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:19 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I believe the police department should not be defunded. The LAPD protect and do great work in our community. I want a safe Los Angeles and do not want to defund the LAPD!

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Name: Jason

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:24 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a resident of Los Angeles. I want to live in a safe place to raise my family. I am NOT in support of defunding the LAPD.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I URGE YOU TO NOT REDUCE THE LAPD BUDGET !!!

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Name: David

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 04:47 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Do not defund the LAPD. The City of Los Angeles will not be any better and lose all the gains the LAPD accomplished over the past few decades.

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Name: Stephanie D.

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:04 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: This is a request to NOT defund the LAPD. They are absolutely necessary to our communities and are being mistreated due to a few bad apples. It is not right to defund our police departments. Thank you! Stephanie D.

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Name: Wafah Haddad
Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:19 PM
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Name: Angela Dawson

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:25 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I want a safe Los Angeles and do not support defunding LAPD in any way. I urge you to vote NO on defunding/cutting back funding for LAPD. In truth, we need more police officers patrolling the West Valley, which has become the equivalent of the Wild Wild West. If you want to move officers from one part of the city to another, please send them to the West Valley. We'll welcome them and appreciate them and their service to our community.

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Name: Russ

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:41 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Do not cut budget for police department. In fact, they need a bigger budget for training And recruiting new employees that can be trained in In the new procedures. Thank you

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Name: Deborah Jordan

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:42 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am against defunding the LAPD in any way. My family and I wish to live in a city/community where we are safe and protected by law enforcement.

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Name: Johnny

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 05:57 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm voting against de-funding LAPD We need our officers 24/7
We need to keep our crime rate under control. Officer's work hard
to serve and protect us and are needed. No on De-Funding LAPD

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Name: Rebecca Gutierrez

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 06:10 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am requesting the city council to reconsider defunding and putting a hiring freeze on the LAPD. As a senior citizen it is extremely important to me that you keep our city safe. I urge you to withhold any and all cuts to law enforcement, please think of your city and the people you represent.

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Name: Leo

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 06:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a born and raised citizen of Los Angeles. I believe in a safe Los Angeles. It is preposterous to consider cutting the Police Departments budget. In no way do I support this decision by the mayor and some of city council. I remember the 70's and 80's where thousands of Los Angelinos lost there lives due to violence in the streets. I don't want to go backwards. Our City has made so many Leaps forward despite the actions of few in recent times. Let's keep moving in the right direction. Give the police the funding they need to continue doing their jobs the right way.

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Name: David Bare

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 06:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: DO NOT DEFUND the LAPD in any way! If you take a single penny from LAPD I Will do everything in my power to remove all you from office! David Bare U.S.M.C. veteran 949-246-4880

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Name: Alejandra Arambula

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 07:00 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I do NOT support defunding LAPD at all!

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Name: Eugene

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:53 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hi, I live in Los Angeles, support our police department and completely against defunding LAPD in any way. Thank you

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Name: K.B. Edwards

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:56 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Not only am I against cutting funds for the LAPD, I am in favor of more funds going to the LAPD. We have the best, most community connected Officers in the nation. They should not be crucified, penalized, or punished for the faults of other city's police departments. We have fewer officers, per capita, than any other major City of our size, and we need MORE officers, not less. The residents who will suffer the most from decreased police support will be the poor and disenfranchised in the higher crime areas. I ask that you not cave to the demands of nationally organized groups who have no right to dictate what is best for the Citizens and residents of Los Angeles. MORE FUNDING, not less!!!

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Name: Joseph

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:59 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: DO NOT DEFUND THE LAPD OR ANY OTHER POLICE AGENCY. I SUPPORT THE MEN AND WOMEN. IGY6

Communication from Public

Name: Maya

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:06 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I strongly disagree with defunding the police and instead I feel we need to defend them, as they work all hours of the day to protect our community and our families. We need them. I have only had the best of the best experiences with our police officers. Safety for our children and our homes is beyond needed and important . Please do not defund them. Thank you

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Name: Dorali Gomez

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:10 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police will lead to higher crime rates and anarchy.

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Name: EVELYN MAESTAS

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:39 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a tax payer Im outraged by the fact that someone would ever think of doing this dangerous act of taking any amount of money from police officers! Who would we call incase of an emergency! why cant money be allocated for more police training! Be part of the solution , not adding to the problem!

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Name: Robert Edgar

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:18 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Most of us living in the San Pedro community are absolutely and totally opposed to any cut in LAPDs budget. In fact, we believe more police...and more support of the police by YOU, the City Council. Please do not defund our great department. It is the only thing keeping us safe. Should you decide to do so, trust me, the silent, tax paying majority will actively oppose your future political endeavors. We are serious about our safety and demand that you support us, the taxpaying good people. Robert Edgar San Pedro

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Name: Samantha Carter

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:21 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I DO NOT support defunding LAPD. Our neighbors are getting worse and worse and we need all the support we have to assist us with our safety.

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Name: Denise Garcia

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:40 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the LAPD is irresponsible and I'm afraid the repercussions could cost the city more in lawsuits. The department has made great strides in terms of serving the community (ie. Coffee with a cop). Defunding the department will hinder response times to 911 calls, cases will go longer without being solved. Get ready for the angry citizen calls cause that's who will hurt by the defunding.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:46 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: LAPD has come so far. There are grant funds tied to our LAPD invests to consider. There needs to be more investment in police as more has been put on them with the explosion of homeless and increase in ex-cons due to AB 109. There has been so much wasted on consultants and studies that have resulted in Nothing. Our rank and file are the Heroes, the front line with more responsibility put on their plate again and again. These are very hard working citizens putting their lives on the line to protect our lives. I implore you to not turn your back on the people that run towards danger, while we are run the other direction.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:38 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Look at what is going on in Seattle with the Anarchist trying to take over portions of the city using barricades and automatic weapons. Is this really what we want for our City. Defunding the police is completely unreasonable! A Police officer in Minnesota did a horrible thing and should be held accountable for his despicable actions. No police officer, and I have worked with them for over 41 years, agrees with what that officer did and infanticidally believes that officer should be held accountable and punished for what he did However, defunding the police is the absolutely he wrong thing to do. The police are not the enemy!!!! 99% of the police officers, professional, compete, committed, concerned and community driven individuals. What about all the community and excellent programs that LAPD do? Giving toy out to the unprivileged children and socks, mittens and scarfs to the elderly each and every Christmas, fund raisers "Tip a Cop" for the Special Olympics , the Cadet program, Community Outreach, Civilian Police Academy, Town Halls, Asian-Pacific and African American Forums, Jeopardy Program with at risk youths that have such positive outcome for so many young men and woman. This is just to name a few. LAPD have been leaders in community policing and partnerships programs and law enforcement. These officers are a diverse representation of the City and in many cases, which have gone unreported, have used deescalated tactics with positive and non-violent resolution. Where is the recognition for those LAPD training and accomplishments for this type of policing. They put on their uniform every day to serve their communities with the threat that they may not return home to their families because they have a target on their back. In EVERY profession, including yours, there are bad apples but that does not mean you through the baby out with the bath water. What about the law bidding citizens that rely on the police when criminals (Black, White, Asian, Latino, etc.) perpetrate crimes against individuals. The only recourse is to contact the police for assistance and protection. They are already over worked and the response time takes much longer and can have devastating results. How about protecting and caring for the majority of good citizens instead of giving in to those who want to tear down our country and our cities. You were put into office to serve the majority and protect our laws. Now it is time for you TO DO YOUR JOB and

protect law and order and the safety of our community.

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Name: Alicia

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:47 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a long time resident of Los Angeles, I have seen the tremendous work LAPD has done. They are the only City entity that are held responsible for the job they do. LA City Councilmen have ruined the City with their no bail and easy on crime policies. The City looks like a third world nation. LAPD is the only agency keeping the City together. By defunding the LAPD we will quickly become Chicago !

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Name: Misty Sperling

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:02 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing to ask you to please not cut the budget for the LAPD. As a single mother I rely on the LAPD for my and my son's safety. I think it will do harm to our community to have the budget cut.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:23 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: It is ridiculous to defund the police in anyway. Doing so would be idiotic and would not favor anyone in our areas and in all of Ali's Angeles County

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Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:25 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please for the love of all things Holy do not even consider the absurd notion of defunding LAPD. And don't cut the budget either. We cannot survive without them. Thank you

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Name: Carol Nelson

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:34 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I DO NOT support defunding the LAPD. Defunding the department is a potential for disaster.

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Name: Jonathan Zimmerman

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:45 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a resident of the City of Los Angeles and I reside and vote in Paul Krekorian's North Hollywood District. Please do not defund the Los Angeles Police. The LAPD is already underfunded and their response times here in the San Fernando Valley reflect the lack of officers available to respond in a timely matter, even in good times. Los Angeles has one fifth the number of police as New York City, yet we have half the New York City population. The LAPD officers are already stretched so thin that any further cuts will have disastrous consequences. It's easy to sit in front of a budget and say, well, we don't need this and we may not need that, but in fact, we need all of it and more. If you have a bad guy hiding in your back yard, as we did not too long, any delay in police response is excruciating. The LAPD has done such a good job of changing their culture and integrating the force it is a slap in the face to threaten to defund them. Are more changes necessary? Always. Change for the good is always necessary, but it's not cheap -- it requires funding for policy development and training. I fail to see how decreasing the LAPD budget is somehow going to make things better. My neighbors and I know the long wait times are a direct result of the lack of funding for more 911 operators and the lack of officers available to respond to calls for service in North Hollywood. We know that funding is a political issue, not a policing issue. By defunding the LAPD you are telling us you have decided we need less police protection, not more. That's something we won't forget. Remember the increase in sanitation charges and the promise to use it to pay for an additional 1000 police officers? What's going to happen to that? "Every new dollar residents pay for trash pickup will be used to put more officers on the streets," [Mayor] Villaraigosa said in a press release. If you decide we need less policing and defund the LAPD, are you going to refund the extra 'police fund' charges on our Sanitation bills? You should, you know, if you break the mayor's promise. I support additional spending on education, health care, and homeless services for the citizens of Los Angeles who need them. I fail to see the connection for increasing the funding for social and educational services at the expense of public safety. I know from personal observation that the North Hollywood Division of the LAPD does not have the resources to service any but the most urgent calls in any sort of timely manner.

Any cuts to the budget of the LAPD will be disastrous for public safety. Those of us who live in North Hollywood know how little protection we actually have in public safety emergencies. We should be increasing the LAPD budget, not cutting it.

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Name: Amanda

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:51 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I am a Hispanic, 26-year-old, born and raised Angeleno, woman, and I am asking this council to STOP the talk, and actions of defunding the Los Angeles Police Department. Taking away funding is doing the opposite of what the community is asking! We are asking for more training, more advancements in hiring. You can not do these things without the funding that you are considering taking away. More training equals longer academy time. More academy time equals more money being invested into these officers. It's not rocket science! When you want a nicer house, you spend more money on refurbishing it and in the end you receive a great product. Cutting the budget is not the answer! As for the argument of reallocating the money to the community. I do not believe you. I do not believe that the money you are willing to take away from hard-working officers will really be helping this city out. If you want to help my community and I then put that money back where it should be! With the Los Angeles Police Department. Thank you for your time.

Communication from Public

Name: Courtney

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:59 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Hello, I do NOT support defunding the police in anyway. Crime rates will go up, longer 911 response times, and critical matters will take longer to resolve. DO NOT DEFUND THE POLICE! Keep our city safe!

Communication from Public

Name: Stephen

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:05 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please DO NOT defund the LAPD! You need to look at the consequences before making this decision. As a firefighter I have seen first hand how “non-violent” calls for help can turn violent. YOU will be putting firefighters and social workers (who will be taking the “non-violent” calls in place of LAPD) in very dangerous situations. Those who are asking to defund the police do not represent the majority of your constituents. They are just the loudest at the moment.

Communication from Public

Name: Kathleen

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:10 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Hi, thank you for reading this email. I completely support our police department and respectfully ask you to not defund them. They do an excellent job protecting and serving us. They are extremely valuable in keeping our communities safe. Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Julie

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:24 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: The thought of defunding LAPD is ridiculous! We are not a socialist country, we rely on the police department to keep checks and balances. Without the department lawlessness will run rampant and upstanding citizens will be the ones to feel the wrath of your political biases. Criminals will utilize every means possible to extort, bully, divide, and steal from hardworking Angelenos. If your thoughts are purely monetary for the betterment of your districts, then maybe you all who are voting yes should step down or take a budget cut. You make too much money- been caught taking bribes, and are unethical. Give the city back their hard earned money and for once do the right thing. Claiming your budget cuts to LAPD while allocating funds to neighborhoods that would rather burn their next door neighbors house, business or property down is preposterous. The definition of insanity is repeating the same action or thought over and over. Investing in those that don't care, refuse to make a better life and take the governments handouts all while complaining are the problem and you are only buying into the same BS year after year.

Communication from Public

Name: Lorraine

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 08:48 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund LAPD. I respect them and feel safer in the city with them. My daughter and I are on the road a lot at different hours. I'm a single mom and knowing the lapd will be there to protect me has given me confidence and security.

Communication from Public

Name: Fara Gutierrez

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 09:32 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: CITIZENS appreciate everything the Police Department does for our community. It is a terrible mistake to DEFUND a much needed service to the community!! PLEASE STOP THE ACTION TO DEFUND OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT!!

Communication from Public

Name: Andrea Iturralde
Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 09:34 PM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: CITIZENS appreciate everything the Police Department does for our community. It is a terrible mistake to DEFUND a much needed service to the community!! PLEASE STOP THE ACTION TO DEFUND OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT!!

Communication from Public

Name: Tanya SEPULVEDA

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 09:53 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: CITIZENS appreciate everything the Police Department does for our community. It is a terrible mistake to DEFUND a much needed service to the community!! PLEASE STOP THE ACTION TO DEFUND OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT!!

Communication from Public

Name: Natalia Canseco
Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 09:54 PM
Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I am in disbelief that the City would Even consider defunding LAPD. Who is going to serve and protect our community. I would feel very unsafe as an essential worker that works in the city of Los Angeles. I've been threaten at work and LAPD saved my coworkers and myself that day. I feel that it needs to be reconsidered. In my opinion it is the dumbest thing the city can do. Also, these police officers have put in hard work, made sacrifices to become police officers to serve and protect our community. This is very unfair for them as they have earned and worked hard for there career.

Communication from Public

Name: MAGDA

Date Submitted: 06/24/2020 11:24 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: We need our officers, who protecting us. I don't believe you're doing this.

Communication from Public

Name: Kelsey

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:08 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I do NOT support defunding the LAPD. I want a safe Los Angeles and believe that defunding will lead to more violence in our city.

Communication from Public

Name: Anita

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:12 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding LAPD. If they are defunded they will not be able to protect and serve the city of Los Angeles, leaving law abiding citizens at risk.

Communication from Public

Name: Robin M

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:36 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing this because I feel this motion was made in haste with the protest. Lapd has improved greatly. They could do more sure, but they did not cause all this uprising. I'm for defending lapd. The programs protesters and such are suggesting mostly all exist, and what good do they do. Lapd has many to work with now and have been doing great work. Why undo it all, we need more officers not less. And who is listening to us that are defending lapd??? Who will listen to tax payers??? Hard working citizens that wish to live a safe life!!! At this point all these council people need to think hard and long, stop jumping to conclusions! Please listen to us too... hear our voice... this is so one sided. Respectfully thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Steve Louis

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:40 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I am completely against cutting the budget for our officers. You all have lost your damn minds.

Communication from Public

Name: Stephany Mejia
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:02 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: Against Defunding of Police! Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Communication from Public

Name: Marcy

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:05 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Our police have chosen this career path to protect and serve. LA could not even handle the protests and riots with the current force and budget - to cut back the budget even further, leaves us with diminished protection, hurts morale on the police force with the rightful possibility of a walk out, lack of protection all together for fear of a personal lawsuit - forcing the officers to simply collect information after the crime has occurred vs intervening. How our police force and those officers across our nation are being treated with blanketed ridicule and punishment based on the very few who have made poor decisions is unjust and disgusting when they place their lives on the line every day. Educate yourself on the data and once you have you would be making the worst decision for LA by cutting budgets against our police officers. Stop praising a convicted aggressive felon and support real hero's - LAPD!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 01:27 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police only hurts the law abiding citizens which is the majority in our city while you are appeasing the few that are misguided and misinformed. I say "No" to defunding the police.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:00 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: The taxpayers of Los Angeles, voters of Los Angeles and children unable to have their voices heard but are subject to the COMPROMISE placed because this body of peoples who are violating the Oath to SERVE are making decisions we are all against. DO NOT DEFUND POLICE. You have caused the breakdown of our community and made Los Angeles appear uneducated. You are trying to DEFUND those who have kept their promise while your counsel FAILED protecting and serving. You are abusing your power and proving you were not equipped to represent the lives of other souls. YOUR GROUP we need to change and it will be certain that to attack the only protection for men, women, children, babies, the elderly in a place where you opened every gate subject to lawlessness. Each one of you is trying to save face and selling out the community by removing our only safeguard ...the POLICE. NOT one of you could ever do the Tasks they face each minute. We have good and bad everywhere since the beginning of time for never can we find any group ever without employees Or City Council members that are each without event. That should not have the job or position they hold. B May God hold you responsible that seek to DEFUND that will trigger lawlessness like a City has never known. This is infact forewarned in prophecy for the end of times. Your act will determine where you stand morally on earth and in days of Your departure from this earth. I can promise you this...God will hold us all accountable. Those crying to defund are going to be responsible for every soul in peril. Remember this it will be so. By October of this year many will not be thinking the Way they do now when emotions were fragile. We will have events take place in these next few months that will require the bravest of the brave to be our source of protection and service. It is certain. Your names will forever be marked if you remove what the months ahead will require that funding be vital.

Communication from Public

Name: Stefano Serafini

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:16 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: DO NOT DEFUND the LAPD!!! The department as a whole and the overwhelming majority of its officers are upstanding and outstanding in service to the City of Los Angeles. Defunding the department or cutting its budget is a knee jerk reaction in obeisance to a radical movement which cares more about its hidden agenda than about true reform or the lives of any victims of alleged police brutality. As a native Angeleno who now lives outside the State of California for work reasons, I still vote in California and Los Angeles and believe this matter is important enough to write this letter. DO NOT DEFUND THE LAPD!!
V/R, Stefano Serafini

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 02:21 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Councilmembers, Thank you for your time. I'm AGAINST defunding LAPD. First, not too long ago we saw these same men and women from LAPD aiding with coronavirus resources within their communities. They showed up to work while we were working remotely. We cheered for them and thank them. Please don't switch now and give in into a third party's agenda that is not founded in facts. Second, LAPD is so far behind in training and technology and to make the department better will cost money. The 20/21 budget was merely catching up with past years when LAPD was left behind with not enough resources. Also, much equipment that was damaged in recent events will have to be replaced. Third, defunding the police will not bring in more resources for mental health, or social services, that comes from the COUNTY's budget, and it will also not result in more money for schools, that comes from the LAUSD budget. The City gets 5 cents on the dollar the rest already goes to the County to provide social services and build/acquire facilities and to LAUSD. It's time to push the County to do their job and manage their budget better instead of the City having to take money away from LAPD who keeps Angelenos safe everyday. Even if Service providers were to do LAPD's job by doing outreach, which LAHSA does very poorly, we will have no places to put them. The COUNTY not the City is suppose to build mental health facilities and rehab. On top of that, people have the right to and will refuse services most of the time. We don't want to become another CHAZ. If you defund LAPD, rich neighborhoods will just hire armed private security and disadvantaged neighborhoods will pay the toll for this negligence. I also recommend that as councilmembers you contact the department and schedule a ride along in your district and maybe outside of your districts and tour their facilities so you can see for yourselves the deplorable conditions LAPD Officers have to work under. Also, please do a FOS simulator. If you don't understand what the job they have to do is, you won't be able to make an educated decision. Please don't make a reactive decision without having a wide scope of what's at stake. Consequences of defunding LAPD might have irreparable outcomes. One last thing, if you are against gun violence as I am, know that LAPD removes 10s of 1000s of high capacity guns and hand guns from the streets of Los Angeles from gang activity constantly. In some

divisions they are understaff with only eight Officers in Gangs and Narcotics, eight, total, for entire divisions! Keep Angelenos safe!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 03:21 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Don't defund LAPD! Are you thinking of sending Social Workers to NON-VIOLENT calls? Well, here's a list from prop 57 of NON-VIOLENT Felonies as championed by deplorable George Gascón: ADW - deadly weapon & force likely [245(a)(1) and 245(a)(4)] Battery with Serious Bodily Injury [243(d)] Solicitation to Commit Murder [653f(b)] Domestic violence [273.5] Inflicting corporal injury on a child [PC 273d] First degree burglary [PC 459] Rape/sodomy/oral copulation of unconscious person or by use of date rape drugs. [261(a)(3) & (4), 286(f), 288a(f)] Human trafficking involving a minor [PC236.1(c)] Hate crimes [PC 422.7] Arson of forest land [PC 451(c)] causing physical injury Assault w/ deadly weapon on Peace officer [245(c)] Active participation in a street gang [186.22] Exploding destructive device w/ intent to cause injury [18740]

Communication from Public

Name: Steve

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:01 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not cut the LAPD budget. As a resident of city's Mid-City area, we are impacted by the already tight police budget and we can not afford to lose anymore service. The city as a whole needs faster response times for service calls and a more timely resolution on investigations currently underway. If you compare the numbers of our officers vs other major cities, you will see that the city is already critically under policed. The LAPD has always been a leader in implementing community serviced based policing models. The federal consent decree brought our police department in reducing bias in our officers actions and the city in partnership with the police have continued to operate with transparency. Look at Use of Force numbers vs other major cities and you will see that even with a much higher amount of public contacts the force our officers use is much lower. The LAPD has a proud tradition of hiring and promoting people of different ethnicities and genders in an equal manner and match the demographics of our cultural make up. This vision should not be punished by budget cuts and should be rewarded by our elected officials by public commendation. Change is difficult and the country has been outspoken of it's demand of police policies being reformed. There have been many ideas on how to reform police policy posted on news and social media outlets. If you look at many of these ideas, the LAPD ALREADY implements all of them. They send clinicians to assist on mental illness calls. The officers partner with PATH and other outreach entities to help and reduce homelessness. They don't use chokeholds unless it's a lethal force situation and policies already dictate that they take action against misconduct that is occurring in their presence. The body cameras and a robust Internal Affairs investigation team enforce this and it goes to show that the LAPD policies its own very well. Case in point: the LAPD should be broadcast as a national example on how other departments should act and conduct business. Thank you for your time and consideration in this very important matter. The police should working hand in hand with community resources on improving quality of life for all Angelenos!

Communication from Public

Name: Diane

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:20 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund the police! We need their service for law and order. They do not get paid enough for what they do.

Communication from Public

Name: Javier Fuller

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 04:40 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I write this, not for me, but for my family. My 70+ year old aunt who is a 30 year employee of a drug store and works the night shift relies heavily on LAPD to keep her, her staff and her customers safe. My brother who works in the field at bank branches throughout the city and his wife who manages a bank branch both rely on LAPD to respond quickly and in full force in times of emergency. These are just a few of the citizens, your constituents that you serve, that rely on LAPD and all the critical services they provide in a way that no one else can. Officers provide a show of force when needed against a criminal element as well as a caring hand for a victim, all while being threatened on a daily basis. Nothing is more reassuring during an emergency than the flashing red and blue lights of a black and white squad car coming to the rescue with badged, professional law enforcement officers. In such a large department, there are going to be bad apples. This is true of law enforcement as well as education or manufacturing or any other organization. But in all cases, please do not punish everyone else for the actions of the few bad actors. The overwhelming majority of officers heeded the call of service to their neighbors while risking their own safety. Do not punish them for the actions of a few. And listen to the silent majority of citizens that support the department and their officers, not the vocal minority that gains by stirring trouble. In short please look into the faces of crime victims and let them know what your decision is. Look into the citizens eyes and let them know that you made the right decision. Look into your own hearts and let my family members know that you are protecting them instead of acting to appease a few loud voices. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Savannah
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:05 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: Do Not defund Police Dept.

Communication from Public

Name: Kim
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:24 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding the police.

Communication from Public

Name: Oscar

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:27 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding the police. I have a voice too. I am a citizen of this city and deserve to be heard as well.

Communication from Public

Name: Karen

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:29 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police is not the answer. I have lived in Los Angeles for as long as I can remember. I've only had wonderful, relations with law enforcement. I've seen them come to our defense during riots, during covid, they are the front lines. LAPD is one of the best departments in the country, who pride themselves with training. Defunding LAPD would be the worst possible thing that could happen. Our law enforcement need us now. Please take this into consideration. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Karen

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:37 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police is not the answer. I have lived in Los Angeles for as long as I can remember. I've only had wonderful, relations with law enforcement. I've seen them come to our defense during riots, during covid, they are the front lines. LAPD is one of the best departments in the country, who pride themselves with training. Defunding LAPD would be the worst possible thing that could happen. Our law enforcement need us now. Please take this into consideration. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Michael

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:42 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Sirs Please do not defund the LAPD budget. The LAPD needs their budget as is. This is a great Police Department and they need all the resources they can get . In Addition they need our support to do their job . Thank you for your thinking time and hearing my views. Michael

Communication from Public

Name: David Price

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 05:42 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE do not DEFUND police. RETRAIN. DIVERT some of the Homeless money to social programs etc.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:23 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund the police. I appreciate the work they are doing and feel it is vital to our city. Thanks!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:33 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: We cannot defund our police. They are necessary for stabilizing community safety, necessary for revitalizing neighborhoods, and necessary to ensure the future of our city. Reinvesting in the police ensures that our streets are safer, our families are protected, and our democratic values upheld. At this time the city should not be swayed by emotional propaganda or the flavor of the month. We should be turning to practices that we know work and critically think about the situation at hand. Our city's police has been reformed from its past mistakes. And, as all things do, continues to need to reflect on practices and change and grow. But change and growth can not happen if you defund. Resources and support are needed now more than ever. Create a system that works with them, not against.

Communication from Public

Name: Ray Huston

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:43 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please don't defund our police department. The work they do and the lives they save are not measurable. Several years ago an LAPD officer saved my daughter after an accident. If it wasn't for the officer coming onto the scene and getting her out of a burning car, I wouldn't have her and my grand kids today. Thanks

Communication from Public

Name: Joann S.

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:47 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the Police is the most preposterous and ludicrous thing I have ever heard. If you want me to believe that that there is systemic racism in the United States (where we elected a black president despite the black population only being 13%) as well as all police officers are racist murderers (due to the actions of a few) then let me give you examples and make you aware of what else I am then allowed to believe. 1.) That every Muslim in the world is a terrorist that drives planes into buildings and wants to kill and murder all Americans. 2.) Every Italian is a gun toting mafia assassin. 3.) Every teacher is a pedophile that sleeps with their underage students. See how that works? A situation (George Floyd) that just about every person in the country agreed was a horrible tragedy was allowed to be escalated not to protests like the liberal media would like you to believe, but riots and looting and attacks on innocent people. My 80-year-old mother is now afraid to go out to a store or a walk because she is afraid, that she may be sucker punched like the 92-year-old woman for no reason at all. Law-abiding citizens want to DEFEND THE POLICE and honestly, I believe there is a sinister agenda for those who want to DEFUND. The stupidity of a Defunding the Police protest was caught on camera where a man was holding a sign to Defund while watching two others attack and brutally beat another. The man holding the Defund sign actually said, "Where are the Police when you need them?" Am I the only one that sees the irony in that? We need to not only NOT DEFUND but, in these times, to increase the police presence and PAY them what they deserve. Where most people runaway from danger our officers run TOWARDS it to help you. Let that sink in if you Defunders are every victimized. Don't let this ridiculous movement supersede intelligence and rationality.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 06:57 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please keep our cities safe. LA has so much crime that the simple idea to defund the police is scary. I think some cities might be okay defunding but LA is not one of them. Should be interesting to see if that's part of the plan defunding police so more crimes can happen. I pray LA is smart and doesn't apply. Police need better training such as shooting to hurt and stop them not necessarily kill.

Communication from Public

Name: Cynthia

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:05 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Cutting the budget of the LAPD is a BAD idea! Less equipment, less training, less cops on the street will have a negative effect on the citizens of the city who truly need the police. Please do not bow to those who yell the loudest and ignore the victims of robbery, rape, murder, child abuse, domestic violence, etc who just want justice and to live in peace every day. We are in a pandemic that has seen the numbers of murders go up in the city. The number of children being sexually exploited is skyrocketing. Your desire to take money from the department that investigates these crimes will just create more victims. Instead, please educate yourselves on what each officer dedicates to this city every day that they show up for work. Especially those officer that work in the areas with higher crime rates. The families they leave behind at home, that they will be even more at risk of not returning to when they have less of their fellow officers to back then up when responding to dangerous and violent situations. Then educate your constituents on all that the police do to reduce the numbers of victims in the city of LA. The LAPD is not a political puppet. It's a force of 10,000 officers that have dedicated themselves to making the City of LA a safe place for ALL of its citizens.

Communication from Public

Name: Irma

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:08 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do NOT defund LAPD. The community needs LAPD, please reconsider how important it is to have safe community. LAPD has been working hard on establishing a positive relationship with community. Please don't defund LAPD.

Communication from Public

Name: Chuck

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:10 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Instead of taking money away from the LAPD, it would be put to better use by using that money to train and retrain the police. Giving the money to private groups is only an attempt to quiet the present unrest and doesn't do anything to help train the LAPD or help with community trust

Communication from Public

Name: Robert Roderick

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 07:58 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I want a safe Los Angeles and defunding the LAPD will make our city less safe. I DO NOT support defunding the LAPD in any way or any other police department.

Communication from Public

Name: T. Schmidt

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 08:11 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund the police, but rather increase funding and training for better policing and safer communities. Local Police are the foundation and bedrock of preserving our constitution's vision to "provide for the common defense". When police forces are defunded and weakened, lawless activity naturally increases because criminals thrive when consequences and law enforcement decrease. The forces that are now driving the cultural push to defund the police do not appear to have our constitutional vision to "promote the general welfare" as their guiding principle, but rather appear to be antagonistic to our constitution, our history, and our country. If this observation is correct, then those behind the defund the police mantra are enemies to the general welfare and therefore our country and constitution. Our leaders take an oath to protect "we the people" from all enemies, foreign and domestic. Therefore, to those leaders in the city of Los Angeles, we the people request that you do not elevate one life that was tragically and wrongfully killed to the detriment of we the people. Those behind the 'black lives matter' movement are now threatening to burn down the system if 'we the people' don't give them what they want. However, we the people do not have a skin color, we have a common love and affection for the general welfare of all people. The definition of racism is to elevate one skin color over another. Historically, It was wrong for the Democrats to fight to preserve slavery in the south during the Civil War and it was wrong for Woodrow Wilson's KKK to lynch so many blacks to promote their segregationist vision by fear and fire tactics. It now appears that the antifa and BLM forces are using The same fire and ffear tactics rather than sound reason to scare people into accommodating their requests. Please do not defund the police, but rather increase funding and training to promote the general welfare and to provide for the common defense to secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Adriana

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 08:27 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I'm completely AGAINST in defunding the police DO NOT DEFUND THE POLICE Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Polly

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 08:38 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I DO NOT support the defunding of LAPD, we need to support them not degrade them. I really did not like our Mayor calling them killers either! We nee the brave men and women that protect our city and it's residents.

Communication from Public

Name: Judith Giglio

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 08:45 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I implore you to not cut the budget for LAPD. OUR police had nothing to do with what happened in Minnesota and they should not be made to dsuffer for another states police actions. Stop being a liberal tool and sheep. You must not defund . We need more police, not less, and God forbid you ever need them to protect you I hope you don't reap what you sew. We, the people, do not deserve to suffer from your actions to cut LAPD's budget.

Communication from Public

Name: Jack Peery

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 08:58 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not punish our city's police officers by defunding. I believe this will make things in our city worse. Just say "NO" to defunding .

Communication from Public

Name: Martha Caballero
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:27 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: No cuts at all.

Communication from Public

Name: S. dominguez

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:34 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Do not defund the LAPD! I will not set foot in the city without them! Public protection is extremely important and there are so many good officers that outweigh the bad. Do not bend to radical believes!

Communication from Public

Name: Mike

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 09:34 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: To whom it may concern If you as the City Council choose to make cuts (defund) the police department, you will be doing a disservice to public safety and the community as a whole. These are trying times, but caving to the pressure and coercion is irresponsible and reckless. Crime stats are already on the rise and the ones who will suffer will be the honest law abiding citizens of this City. Re-think this decision or the consequences will be dire. You can see all across the nation, that when police are absent (Seattle) lawlessness effects everyone. Would you rather trade the police for a dictator or warlord? Be careful for what you ask for and do! You can not un-ring the bell. Make the right decision and FUND the police as necessary. Continue to make LA one of the safest cities in the Country. Sincerely, Mike

Communication from Public

Name: Darlene

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:04 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: How dare you! The less think should be on the table is to cut budget to essential workers as police, firefighters etc. Why not cut your salary? Full fund police and school police!!!!

Communication from Public

Name: Connie Elliot

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:12 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not defund LAPD, and if budget cuts require cutting, please do it sparingly. I own a car but like to take the MTA Red Line and Gold Line when going downtown and other areas. LAPD's budget uses overtime and police on their days off, etc. to police MetroRail. We need more policing of our subways, and reducing overtime pay will result in less policing and less safety. People see what other police departments are doing and assume that ours are doing the same bad things. They need the facts not fewer police.

Communication from Public

Name: Gary L

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:21 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please Do NOT make the irreversible mistake of defunding our LAPD, we need them now more than ever.

Communication from Public

Name: Federico Sicard

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:22 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a proud retired LAPD officer with the rank of Detective. I served during the 92 riots. Thereafter, we received a great quantity and quality of training equal to no other. Defunding the police department means that less training will be provided to the officers. What you are seeing and complaining about now a days is not lack of Police TRAINING?? So how is that you will try to "better"the LAPD by removing money from the budget that is used to "better" train the officers? Think about it, if you really care about the citizens of Los Angeles, my advice after serving 30 proud years with the best Police Department in the world, provide more training to handle the community at large. I was born in Colombia South America and LAPD reinforced my conviction to treat people with DIGNITY and RESPECT with the "proper training." God bless you all.

Communication from Public

Name: Jerry Bichlmeier

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:31 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Defunding the police is a bad idea. The future safety of our community requires a well trained police department.

Communication from Public

Name: Matt

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:35 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: We can not defund the police. Look what's going on in Seattle. Do you really want that here in LA. LAPD has been doing a great job in keeping the city safe from crime. We are short on officers and need to hire more to keep with the demands the city needs. LAPD did nothing wrong here in our city. It happened in Missouri not LA. All the things they want LAPD to change, has been in place since the Rodney King incident. Let's keep LA safe by not defunding them.

Communication from Public

Name: Dana

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:42 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I am AGAINST the defunding of the LAPD- they are a long-standing, well respected arm of the law- we need LAW and ORDER!

Communication from Public

Name: Stefanie

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 10:56 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I do not agree with defunding LAPD. We need to keep LA safe, we need the police. It will be complete anarchy without them.
Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Mollie Murphy

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:02 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Do not defund our police departments. We need our so called leaders (you) to stand up and be brave, and not coward down to protect our cities, states, statutes, businesses that are being destroyed and burned down. We (you) need to stand with our police officers who protect us, who protect you. ALL LIVES MATTERS...

Communication from Public

Name: Hilary

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:03 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: We need to keep LA safe. We need police on the streets. We need to get guns off the street to protect the innocent. We need to keep funds the way they are if not increase them for the police. There are ways to put the money to good use for the police- trainings, mental health support, etc... Do not defund the police.

Communication from Public

Name: Cherie
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:11 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: Do not support any budget cuts for LAPD

Communication from Public

Name: Magda Marroquin

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:12 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Default the police is the worse i heard they are very important for the citizens. Im very proud for the police officers most of them do a great job. We need them.

Communication from Public

Name: Georgiann

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:15 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I am asking to please DO NOT DEFUND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT! ! We need our men in blue full strength to take care of our community. It would be a bad decision to do that.
Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Luis
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:25 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: I do not support defunding the LAPD. They are our first responders and our heroes

Communication from Public

Name: Everardo Gutierrez
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:30 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: Please don't defund the LAPD or the LAUSD school police.
Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Frank Loez
Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:32 AM
Council File No: 20-0692
Comments for Public Posting: DO NOT DEFUND THE LAPD, WE NEED TO KEEP OUR CITY SAFE!

Communication from Public

Name: Peggy

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:43 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I want a safe Los Angeles and do not support defunding LAPD.

Communication from Public

Name: jon nissley

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:43 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am apposed to defunding the police!! I believe that it will cause a rise in crime and it will take more time to undo the damage done by defunding. Your actions will have consequences

Communication from Public

Name: Christine

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:46 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I want out city safe! I DO NOT support defunding police in any.

Communication from Public

Name: Stephanie

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:46 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I DO NOT want to defund the Police, we actually need more law enforcement. I have a right to feel safe and be protected.

Communication from Public

Name: T Bradshaw

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:53 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: defending won't resolve it will result in revolt

Communication from Public

Name: Sara V.

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:54 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Please please please DO NOT DEFUND our lapd. Without safety, security and law & order, we will have nothing and our communities will crumble. Please do not Be reactionary and cave to the loudest screaming voices. We need our brave men and women of law enforcement!! TAKE TIME, WORK OUT ALTERNATIVES but DO NOT DEFUND! Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 11:58 AM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: I do not support the defunding of police. I am a law abiding citizen and feel safe and protected because of the men and women who risk their lives and are out patrolling the streets of Los Angeles. We need to support our LEO's and if anything, put more money into training and making them even better.

Communication from Public

Name: Yuri

Date Submitted: 06/25/2020 12:07 PM

Council File No: 20-0692

Comments for Public Posting: Do NOT defund or reduce the LAPD budget, increase training and assign non-police functions like homelessness issues to other public agencies