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Hello,

3 weeks ago, the Los Angeles Times released an article about Dijon Kizzee, Noel Aguilar, Christian Cobian, and many other Black and Brown men who died from bike-stop police shootings in Los Angeles alone. This is just one tiny piece of a much larger problem of widespread racial targeting. Whether a man of color is driving a car, riding a bike, or walking down the street, he is in danger of dying at the hands (or guns) of law enforcement.

I plead with you to stop equipping local law enforcement with tools to kill our community members without accountability or impunity. There are better ways to protect and serve our city than to funnel more power and money to the police’s militarization.

Thank you for your time,

Bridgette Ramirez
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To Whom it May Concern,
I am writing to ask this commission to support a complete re-funding of the Los Angeles Police Department.

Removing funds from the department is already having a direct and negative impact on public safety. This year Los Angeles is experiencing a 15% increase in homicides and a 10% increase in shootings. It makes NO sense to reduce resources in light of these increases.

Prior to defunding, Los Angeles had achieved unprecedented crime reductions. This commission and department has a responsibility to provide for public safety, and statistics show that you are failing at that. The victims of these crimes deserve better!

The LAPD has a history of being innovative and nimble in implementing change. They have led the way in initiating training, technology and creating new ways to engage the community (all of which require resources). The CSP was created a decade ago and independent research has proven its success. Other departments look to the LAPD as an example of how to improve their departments.

I fully support Chief Moore and the Los Angeles Police Department and ask for the reallocation of the 150 million dollars that were unfortunately, redirected. Not re-allocating these funds will result in the department further reducing staffing and the elimination of important and necessary specialized units. This will have catastrophic consequences to the residents of Los Angeles.

I urge you to DEFEND, not defund the LAPD!

Sincerely,
Ana Genizzotti

Please note:
- Crime Statistics - Homicides up (31.8% in the last 2 years), Shootings up (32.6% in the last 2 years),
  Attacks on officers up (12.5% in the last year), Arrests and public contacts down. This will not improve with the reductions in specialized units taking place. Public safety is at risk! We
are all at risk and urge you to make things right for us all.

- Fallen Officers Memorial - We want to urge the Approval of a $600k donation from the foundation to refurbish the memorial honoring the 215 fallen officers of the LAPD. This is the same memorial damaged during the riots. This has to be something we can agree on, 215 officers who can’t defend themselves any longer yet we can and they deserve to be honored with respect.

We love and support for our officers!

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Subject: My general public comment for the Nov. 10th PC meeting & to become part of the public record

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It's laughable when LAPD "defenders" act like the LAPD's budget is being cut in a manner that would even slightly effect it's ability to continue operating status quo, the fact is that the budget, as it is shown on the city's books, is not a legitimate and accurate accounting of how much money the LAPD actually has at its disposal to fund it's activities. And I am referring to activities that cause immediate and documentable harm, including the surveillance of targeted communities of poor, Black and Brown people and activists exercising their rights of free speech.

The IG's audit of donations presented earlier in October 2020 doesn't go nearly far enough and makes no mention of the conflicts of interest I mentioned above with respect to LAPF, Weingart (whose CEO, Fred Ali, is on the board of the Mayor's Fund), Liberty Hill, LegacyLA and others. Truthfully, as shocking as it is that LAPD received over 50% of LA's general fund in the city's budget and the fact that all settlements paid out to victims of the LAPD's frequent excessive (and often fatal) uses of force come from the city's budget rather than LAPD's, the reality (not the public perception) should factor in the many hundreds of thousand dollars that LAPD gets to spend every year as a result of the PC consistently and reliably approving all donation requests on the agenda each week.

No matter how many conflicts of interest that community members point out regarding how some of our police commissioners (Calanche, Sobo roff, Murphy-Goldsmith, to name a few) are closely tied to organizations that provide hundreds of thousands of dollars to LAPD (either directly or indirectly), the PC continues to accept ALL donations. No matter how many times the community asks for LAPD to stop taking donations from manufacturers of surveillance technology and those who continue pouring money into the CSPs, there is no heed to those demands.

Regards,
Audrey Georg

"If you are neutral in situations of injustice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor." Desmond Tutu
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Subject: Demand for LAPD to apologize for its lies about using facial recognition technology (provided for inclusion in the public record)

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Comment for PC's 11/10/20 meeting:

The recent LAT article on this topic revealed a scandal of epic proportions and facts about a matter that activists have long been aware of and have tried to raise repeatedly at PC meetings - i.e., that LAPD regularly uses Facial Recognition software and technology that should be outright banned.

We demand an accurate reporting of all details regarding the past and current use of facial recognition software and technology. I also demand that PC commissioners acknowledge that these revelations were not a result of some miscommunication between LAPD spokespersons and the public, but were an intentional effort to mislead, distract and prevaricate about the true facts of the matter.

Regards,
Audrey Georg

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Subject: Urgent civil rights demand to made part of the public record as a
        comment
        for the 11/10/20 PC meeting

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I join with the demands from BLM-LA, SLAPDSC and many other
        organizations and community leaders that you immediately open up
        public comment so that everyone has an opportunity to speak openly
        and freely and not just the first 15 or 16 people you call upon (which
        doesn't appear to be a random selection process even though Decker
        proclaims it to be so).

Hundreds of community members, if they thought they'd have a
        chance to speak, would sign up. So many of those that get called on
        each week since the 45-minute limit was imposed are police
        defenders - urged by LA Councilmember Buscaino, the PPL and
        others to call in, as they have the right to do. However, I want to point
        out that BLM, SLAPDSC, LACAN, WP4BL and other activist
        community members have been coming to every single PC meeting
        for many years to listen, learn and speak truth to power, and none of
        those to whom you are now giving priority to steal our thunder have
        been active attendees in the past. Where have they been in the
        past? Moreover, you are cutting short the comments of impacted
        family members as well - which should NEVER be done.

You are limiting comments in this manner not because the PC needs
        to attend to important business at hand, but because the
        commissioners all refuse to be inconvenienced by doing your jobs
        and refuse the call to devote more than just a couple of hours each
        week to these PC meetings. It is inherent upon the responsibility you
        assumed, which would require the PC to act in good faith and allott
        sufficient time for all interested community members to speak should
        result in longer meetings, you much agree to the burden it imposes
        upon your day.

Regards,
Audrey Georg
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Subject: My comments for the 11/10/20PC meeting & for inclusion in the public record re: biased policing complaints

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After releasing the recent report saying that of 734 complaints of biased policing, zero were justified, your own data again shows you stop Black people at a highly disproportional rate. You can't racially profile Black people and say biased policing doesn't exist.

So, the only conclusion one can reasonably draw from the report that revealed how LAPD dismisses biased policing allegations is that when you ask LAPD to investigate complaints against LAPD, the result you get is pure junk and deception. I join the demand for an independent review of these allegations and all of those in other categories, as well.

Is it any wonder why most of the people truly impacted by the harm and devastation caused by racially biased policing are fearful and distrustful of the entire system to the extent that thousands of complaints probably aren't even formally reported in the first place?

At the crux of the matter is the fact that 52% of the biased policing complaints in 2019 were made by Black men, 16% by Black women. So, clearly, nearly three quarters of all complaints of biased policing in 2019 were made by the same Black people you pulled over and searched at a rate more than 3 times their population city-wide - and this applies to officers in all but 1 LAPD coverage area. Inexplicably LAPD tries to deny the blatant racism this reveals by blaming the disproportionate stops of Black people on tourism. Are we to believe that Black people coming from out of town and getting pulled over? Notably, no other racial categories reflect disproportionate rates of stops and searches.
I challenge the PC to defend the absolute fact that stops of Black people for traffic violations were more than 5 times as likely to result in a search than stops of white people for traffic violations, even though your own report says that white people were actually found to be in possession of more “contraband.” How does this not constitute biased policing.

It is appalling that the OIG’s recommendations include: “the [LAPD] should conduct its own analysis of stop data to identify relevant trends, evaluate the effectiveness of its crime-fighting strategies, and identify areas for improvement.” In other words, the LAPD should investigate ITSELF regarding racism. This conclusion is baffling, nonsensical, and dangerous.

Regards,
Audrey Georg

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