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From: april <aprilawest@earthlink.net>
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 11:45 AM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Public Safety Sub Committee Meeting Oct. 13 Item 5.3

To the Public Safety Sub Committee:

We were alerted that on October 13th 2021, there will be a Public Safety Sub Committee meeting. to discuss the changes being made to what calls the Santa Rosa Police Department will be responding to.

I am a life-long resident of the Montgomery Village area, and have called the non-emergency SRPD line this past year to report gunshots and fireworks. Both of these issues are a threat to the safety of our community, due to violence and fire danger respectively. Both issues have increased dramatically in the past years; I never remember these issues when I was a child. I am concerned for the safety of people and animals in this part of the city.

I would strongly urge these types of calls to continue to be responded to as we move forward. These are of great concern to a property owner and tax payer like me.

Respectfully,

April West

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From: Craig Gaylord <craig@sonomatechsupport.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 4:32 PM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: agenda item number 5.3

Dear City Council and City Leaders,

Our city continues to grow and crime just seems to be getting worse. I never understood who thought it was a good idea to defund the police. Defunding means less police which means more crime. If anything I want to fund the police more. Fund them so that we have enough officers out there to take care of what needs to be taken care of, give them funding for training so that you don't have a lot of the bad things that have happened in the past. But we don't need to be giving them less money we need to be giving them more. It just seems like between the homeless, the drug addicts and the crazy people running around our crime is just gone through the roof. The last few years have made my wife and I actually consider moving out of our beloved City just because it feels like it's getting worse and worse and becoming more and more like a crime ridden inner City. I am a small business owner in Santa Rosa and I vote. This has nothing to do with race, or politics. It's just common sense!

You can't take money away from a police department when we have more crime.

Thank you for listening to my comments.

Craig Gaylord

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From: Kimberly White <kawwhite7@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 6:15 PM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item 5.3 /police

The city and the Santa Rosa Police Chief has already done away with a gang unit. WE HAVE A GANG PROBLEM. YOU KNOW IT. WE ALL KNOW IT. It is continuously talked about in various businesses throughout Sonoma county. Do not reduce Police positions! This will achieve the opposite of what you are trying to accomplish. Plus I know first hand the OT they are making while taking care of crime with less officers! Defeats the purpose doesn't it.

So many citizens of Santa Rosa and beyond are fed up with the leadership. Don't make it worse.

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From: Hien Pham <phamth27@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda item 5.3

To whom it may concern,

We need our officers. Without more officers on duty, every one of us are affected. Our children will be affected! You, as elected officials need to think about the safety of this city. You have the responsibility to make sure that this city is protected and safe. Are you doing your job? Why not defund yourself and leave the police department alone! Crimes are on the rise and you guys are not doing anything about it! Shame on you! We have the right to feel safe within our community, but you don't care about us or our children. Until it affects you personally, you don't care. An angry and disappointed resident,
phamth27

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From: Greg <goyler@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 10:05 AM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] public comment

Hi, I have a comment regarding agenda item number 5.3 concerning Police staffing. I have lived in Santa Rosa since 1989 and have seen the city grow. I have seen crime grow along with the population and I have witnessed police response decline, not even staying up with the population growth.

I witness individuals stealing in stores because there will be NO response by the police department, due mainly to staffing levels and prioritizing responses. Just yesterday I witnessed two male juveniles stealing a case of beer each and jogging in the parking lot to their vehicle. They were not concerned with store staff or police responding to the theft as they display no sense of urgency fleeing.

Nightly, I hear cars racing as I live near Fulton road. There is NOT a night I do not hear that. The city is understaffed regarding Police Officers. There is no deterrence as there is only time for response. What happened to preventing crime from occurring?

If all we do constantly is responding to crime, it will continue to grow and cause MORE problems.

Please do the right thing for our community and increase the staffing levels for the Santa Rosa Police department sworn staff as well as support staffing to take on responsibilities to free up the sworn staff.

Sincerely,

Greg Oyler

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From: Ellen <obwho@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, October 11, 2021 10:40 AM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Public comment for Wednesday's subcommittee meeting

Dear members of the Public Safety subcommittee,

I urge you not to support additional funding for the Santa Rosa Police Department (SRPD). Because Santa Rosa is close to implementing a cahoots-style program, the SRPD will be responding to fewer calls. Increasing funding to them is therefore unnecessary and will do nothing to address the underlying causes of crime. In contrast, increasing funding to social programs addressing community needs will address underlying causes of crime.

Thank you for your consideration,

Ellen Forman Obstler

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From: Brittany Welch <brittwelch123@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 11, 2021 10:27 PM
To: Public Safety Subcommittee Comment
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item 5.3

I support the SRPD and believe they need MORE staffing.

Thank you,
Brittany