

Martha Alvarez

From: Kelly Ankwicz <rbelkell@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:07 PM
To: List - City Council
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Do NOT Defund MB Police

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To Whom it May Concern,

Please DO NOT Defund the MB Police Department. Our community is so grateful that MB Police Department helped save downtown recently with the onslaught of "protesters" who were coming into town to loot and destroy downtown. There is no doubt in my mind that without their quick action, our south bay cities would have been destroyed- just like Santa Monica.

Please do not defund the police- we love our police force and are very grateful and fortunate to have them.

Thank you,

Kelly Ankwicz

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From: Phillips Lee <leephillipsmd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 10:18 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Community meeting on Police practices

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Hello

Thank you for allowing me to comment on the proposed community meeting on police practices..

I want to take this opportunity to further elaborate:

Any meeting should be impartial, beginning with "systemic racism" or "police departments are racists" automatically shifts the discussion. This should be a local discussion on local issues.

If this is a discussion on national issues then it becomes political and should not be funded or hosted by the city.

Secondly, any data present should be reliable and scientifically sound. making the rounds on social media, is the following:

Black people are 43 times more likely to get arrested in Manhattan Beach than white people, according to 2018 FBI data. In fact, the number of Black people arrested in 2018 in Manhattan Beach (225) outnumbers the total population of Black people in Manhattan Beach (190).

I do not have to tell you this is not good data. Presenting this type of data will only inflame the discussion.

Thirdly, activists, bringing in outside activists and non residents of Manhattan Beach, especially if those activist are associated with BLM further slants the meeting. Bringing BLM as a panelist, makes the meeting political and should not be funded by the city.

The panel and their affiliations must be disclosed prior to finalization of the community meeting.

I urge the council to work as a non partisan group in implementing the community meeting to bring the community together.

Lee Phillips

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From: Thomas Chang <changhathomas@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 10:02 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager; Derrick Abell; Bruce Moe
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fund and support the police

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Fund and **support** the MBPD

Broadly calling to defund, disband or significantly cut the MBPD budget does not help our city and is bad public policy.

It is not enough to fund the police but the police must be supported by the City Council.

Implementing and continuing meaningful policy changes: Body cameras, Integrating social and mental health workers on mental health calls; Continued Police training on de-escalation tactics; Better salaries to encourage retention of MBPD officers will take more money, not less.

For these reasons, and many more, calls to cut back on the MBPD's budget are a step in the wrong direction. This unproven model leaves the public vulnerable and unsafe during times of domestic violence, armed robberies, mass shootings or worse. The actions of a few bad officers in Minneapolis shouldn't equate to Manhattan Beach's residents and visitors left without the safety and protection of police.

There are police departments with problematic cultures, however MBPD is not the Minneapolis Police Department.

I support fully funding the MBPD

Thomas Chang

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From: Edward Gajdicar <edward.gajdicar@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:58 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager; Derrick Abell; Bruce Moe
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support For MBPD

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I support fully funding the MBPD. MBPD works there should be no budget cuts

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From: Nicole Andrews <nic0le.andrews@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:56 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager; Derrick Abell; Bruce Moe
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support For Full funding of the MBPD

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Calls to defund the Manhattan Beach Police Department. Broadly calling to defund, disband or significantly cut the MBPD budget is bad public policy.

Body cameras, Integrating social and mental health workers on mental health calls; Continued Police training on de-escalation tactics; Better salaries to encourage retention of MBPD officers will take more money, not less.

For these reasons, calls to defund the MBPD's budget are a step in the wrong direction. This unproven model leaves the public vulnerable and unsafe during times of domestic violence, armed robberies, mass gatherings.

On summer weekends thousands of people come to Manhattan Beach, we have a high end mall and numerous banks that have been robbed.

The actions of a few bad officers in Minneapolis shouldn't equate to Manhattan Beach's residents and visitors left without the safety and protection of police.

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I support fully funding the MBPD .

Nicole Andrews

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From: vicky.purvis@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:50 AM
To: List - City Council; City Manager; Derrick Abell; Bruce Moe
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Support For MBPD

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Vicky P