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Subject: FW: Police Oversight

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To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Police Oversight

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I support the proposal by Mayor Tornek and councilman Kennedy.

I believe that we are only going to be successful with true cooperation between the community and the police department.

I believe that at the last meeting there was a lot of political posturing. I ask you all consider the pain and tension in the community and work together to make this proposal happen to begin the hard work.

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From: Ralf Tiede <ralf.tiede@gmx.net>
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Subject: Question for Public Safety Committee special meeting Aug 12

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In the past, police unions throughout the nation have resisted efforts to establish and implement effective civilian oversight committees. What measures will the City Council utilize to ensure that the Pasadena Police Officers' Association acts as a productive and cooperative partner in this effort to improve relations between the police and the community and reduce instances of unjustified use of force and racial discrimination?

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From: Kimberly Rink <kaqrink@gmail.com>
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My name is Kim, and I am a Pasadena resident that lives in District 3, and a professional that works in District 1. I believe that our elected officials of the City of Pasadena have a personal responsibility to care about all Pasadena residents. I am in support of creating a police oversight body comprised of an independent auditor and selected community members for the commission **with subpoena power**.

Even if this ask requires a change to the city charter, that is not an excuse to stand down--real change takes work. Independent oversight should be established in order to build my neighborhood's relationship with the police, which in turn will increase their efficiency and effectiveness. The police are not above the law they enforce.

-Kim

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Subject:

FW: A Outright Ban On Facial Recognition is the Correct Choice

From: Vincent De Stefano <vdestefano54@gmail.com>

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Subject: A Outright Ban On Facial Recognition is the Correct Choice

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To Public Safety,

The Pasadena Police have been using facial recognition for over three years without the knowledge of the City Council or the citizens. When I asked Chief Perez last year in a Public Safety meeting if the City was using this technology he immediately replied no. However, after consultation with City Manager Mermel, he amended that statement to say yes it seems it was used since 2017. At a later meeting with Perez, Marmel and Mayor Tornek I asked if, during that 3 year time frame-time, there was a set of rules, guidelines or any plans to monitor their 3 year use of Facial Recognition. The answer was that there was a draft that they were working on. Another more honest way to answer my question would have been no. That is why the City must impose a complete and immediate ban on it's use now. The fact that the City has already spent a half a million of our tax dollars to install this highly flawed and racially biased technology at the Rose Bowl, again without one scintilla of public knowledge, approval or protocols in place to protect Pasadena citizens or anyone else who uses the Rose Bowl's civil liberties shows that The City and Police are acting with impunity by continuing to erode our civil liberties. **Benjamin Franklin** once said: "Those who would give up essential **Liberty**, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither **Liberty** nor Safety." The City must stand up for the people they were elected to represent. They can do that by forcefully and clearly protecting our

Constitutional Rights granted to us by the Fourth Amendment of the US Constitution now. Ban Facial recognition immediately, no ifs ands or buts!

Vincent De Stefano

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