

**Flores, Valerie**

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**Subject:** FW: Public Comment for Northwest Commission Meeting on October 21, 2020 on Agenda Item Chief Report/ Anthony McClain Memorial

**Importance:** High

**From:** City Web <cityweb@cityofpasadena.net>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020 1:32 PM

**To:** Sabha, Tamer <tsabha@cityofpasadena.net>

**Subject:** Public Comment for Northwest Commission Meeting on October 21, 2020 on Agenda Item Chief Report/ Anthony McClain Memorial

## Public Comment for Northwest Commission Meeting on October 21, 2020 about Agenda Item Chief Report/ Anthony McClain Memorial

**Select one City legislative body for the comment** Northwest Commission

**Meeting Date** October 21, 2020

**Agenda Item** Chief Report/ Anthony McClain Memorial

**Name** Maximilian Boyle 

**Email**

**Phone**

**Address**

**City** Altadena

**State** California

**Zip Code** 91001

**Comments (under 200 words)** My name is Max Boyle and I am the youth pastor at Pasadena Foursquare Church. Since the police shooting that involved Anthony McClain and the PPD on August

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15th 2020, I have partnered with clergy members and others in the community to be a presence of peace at La Pintoresca Park to partner with the neighborhood during this traumatic time.

To hear that the memorial has been removed this morning has been discouraging, heartbreaking and yet another triggering point of trauma for the neighborhood. The memorial represented more than just Anthony McClain's life, it represented a sense of hope that the relationship with the PPD and the residents in Northwest Pasadena can be indeed mended.

Chief Perez, you have the opportunity to rewrite the reputation that the PPD has in the area of La Pintoresca Park. Do right by the community. We need our young people to experience a sense of partnership and gratitude at the presence of the PPD, not hostility and fear of being harassed or racially profiled. Chief Perez, be part of the hope and change this community has been praying for. Removing this memorial was not the solution to mend relationships with the neighborhood.

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**From:** City Web  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020 12:28 PM  
**To:** Flores, Valerie  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Public Safety Committee Meeting on October 21, 2020 on Agenda Item 5

## Public Comment for Public Safety Committee Meeting on October 21, 2020 about Agenda Item 5

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**Select one City legislative body for the comment**      Public Safety Committee

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**Meeting Date**      October 21, 2020

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**Agenda Item**      5

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**Name**      Pastor Kerwin Manning

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**Address**

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**City**      Pasadena

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**State**      CA

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**Zip Code**      91104

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**Comments (under 200 words)**      Public Safety Committee: in my 20 years of pastoring here, I've never witnessed such blatant disregard for our residents, especially people of color, as I have this week. After a shooting that could have killed many citizens(clergy included), the PPD continues to promote a narrative that oppresses the very people they should be protecting. Furthermore, the shooting at La Pintoresca Park was not initiated by our residents, rather from an outsider. However, the PPD's responses are interpreted as aggression, not cooperation or community building. Today they removed the Anthony McClain memorial and later parked a squad car in its place, along with a

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tent full of officers... Not So Great Community Relations. This is beyond inconsiderate, it's hurtful. I'm asking you to investigate these actions, as well as implore our PPD to commit to working WITH those of us who are on the front lines. We need you to stop only showing up with force and intimidation. Instead, do what's right and things will go well(Genesis 4:7). Let's start by firing the officer that ignored protocol and standard policing practices by chasing and killing Anthony McClain. Blindly protecting officers then paying them to return to work is unacceptable... We Must Change!

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**From:** City Web  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2020 1:58 PM  
**To:** Flores, Valerie  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Public Safety Committee Meeting on October 21, 2020 on Agenda Item 5 - Police Chief Monthly Report/Shooting at La Pintoresca and McClain Memorial

## **Public Comment for Public Safety Committee Meeting on October 21, 2020 about Agenda Item 5 - Police Chief Monthly Report/Shooting at La Pintoresca and McClain Memorial**

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**Select one City legislative body for the comment**      Public Safety Committee

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**Meeting Date**      October 21, 2020

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**Agenda Item**      5 - Police Chief Monthly Report/Shooting at La Pintoresca and McClain Memorial

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**Name**      Brita Pinkston

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**City**      Pasadena

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**State**      CA

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**Zip Code**      91106

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**Comments (under 200 words)**      I'm Brita Pinkston and my husband and I Pastor at the Pasadena Foursquare Church. We were at La Pintoresca Park on Monday when the shootings occurred. We've been coming to the memorial weekly since the shooting of Anthony McClain, and every Monday in the park for over a month to be present with the community providing free food and praying on the hour at the memorial site.

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Our presence now gives me the place to bear witness. I have read reports that perpetuate a narrative that is false. No incident that I have witnessed has been tied to the Anthony McClain memorial. The decision to remove the memorial and link to the shootings Monday is an appalling decision that bears the fruit of reactivity to divert the real issues and lay blame upon the community.

Such decisions have deep impact upon members of our city who live in other parts and read reports by the media. The racial divide of “us” and “them” is furthered in comments such as “close the park.” This only perpetuates the narrative that more policing and show of force is needed and further justified. I implore you to listen and partner with the neighborhood.

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**To:** City Web  
**Subject:** RE: Public Comment for Public Safety Committee Meeting on October 21, 2020 on Agenda Item Police Chief's Monthly Report

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Select one City legislative body for the comment	Public Safety Committee
Meeting Date	October 21, 2020
Agenda Item	Police Chief's Monthly Report 5
Name	Kimberly Drake
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City	Pasadena
State	California
Zip Code	91103
Comments (under 200 words)	I am hoping that the Police Chief will address what happened this morning across the street from my home: the police arrived at 6:00 am to dismantle the memorial to Anthony McClain. Since community members have already been discussing removing the memorial and replacing it with a rock garden of some kind, this action was ill-timed and served to further inflame a very sore spot in our shared consciousness. As a resident homeowner in the immediate area of the Anthony

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McClain memorial, I want to express my disappointment about the way the Police Department has handled the shooting investigation and every subsequent action related to it and to the memorial, including rhetoric intended to blame the memorial for police calls to the area. The Police Department should work harder to establish trust with residents of this street and be willing to take responsibility for the death of Anthony McClain instead of treating us like we aren't worthy of respect.

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<b>Meeting Date</b>	October 21, 2020
<b>Agenda Item</b>	5
<b>Name</b>	E Loren Jones
<b>Email</b>	
<b>City</b>	Pasadena
<b>State</b>	CA
<b>Zip Code</b>	91103
<b>Comments (under 200 words)</b>	<p>It would behoove PPD to treat community members with respect and not dehumanize us. There is a false narrative about specific demographics... people being criminalized just because of where they reside, or even the lack of sufficient housing. It is a blemish on the face of the City of Pasadena and the PPD that will not be removed until the powers that be step into humanity and began to cultivate relationships that build our city up. The disconnect and distance is blatant and disgusting. The disregard of the people must not continue.</p> <p>After the shooting incident on Monday 10/19/2020, of all the officers on the scene, only one took the opportunity to connect with community members beyond the questions of what was witnessed. Another disrupted the conversation, blatantly removing the officer from connecting with us. It's truly disgusting the lengths PPD</p>

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will go to keep the separation. Before the officer left for shift change, I thanked him for taking the initiative to connect and build a rapport. The city and PPD are getting in their own way as it pertains to relationship building. We are due some honest conversation and civility.

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