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Sent: 6/16/2018 3:38:38 PM
To: Sheneika Smith
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Subject: Re: TODAY"S CHECK INS

Councilwoman Smith,

Here are my thoughts on the first drafts in general: The language was weakened to provide more control for APD, which will not be enough to push us towards 21st Century, Community Policing practices. Community values are named, but not all people are being policed the same, so the current practices are not in line with our values. Additionally, the popular saying is "you can't please all the people all the time." Any effort to back down now is even more dangerous for our black, brown, poor, unhoused, and undocumented neighbors, since weak policies will empower return to old habits and practices.

1. Regarding De-emphasizing Enforcement of Minor Violations:

- The new resolution adds "work with" the APD to implement policy of "minor" violations, with examples.
- This is too broad. I suggest keeping " will de-prioritize regulatory" stops.
- Consider adding "pedestrian" stops.

2. Regarding Consent to Conduct Searches:

- The biggest thing here is "suspicious movements." As we know, both and home and across the U.S., being black is used as suspicion in policing practice. We need policy that removes race & class as tools in our APD.
- The original language instructs the City Manager that the APD "would not" base searches, the revised language includes "work with" regarding "apparent nervousness." From my position of privilege, I acknowledge that nervous is the FIRST reaction my black and brown neighbors have expressed when approached by officers on duty.

I have not yet seen the revised resolutions, but hear there is support from the community in returning to the original mandates for the City Manager office.

Regarding this year's budget: Chief Hooper has named increased poverty, officer discretionary time, gun violence, and work load as reasons to increase the police budget. This year's increase will mean \$5.6 million in additional funds over fiscal years 2016-2019. Thank you for voting "no" on this year's budget so we can maintain the work in prioritizing community-lead efforts! I'm looking forward to seeing what work can be done to implement participatory budgeting and the non-police community support system similar to the one in Fort Collins.

Peace,
Kim

On Thu, Jun 14, 2018 at 4:34 PM, Sheneika Smith <sheneikasmith@avlcouncil.com> wrote:

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Mayor and Council Members,

Please find attached the following items for our check ins today. We will have copies at the meeting.

- Agenda for today's meetings
- Draft agenda for June 19, 2018 Council meeting
- Draft resolution for written consent
- Draft resolution for consent search criteria
- Draft resolution for deemphasizing regulatory stops
- Report on Community EMT Pilot Program proposal
- City Owned land powerpoint

I will see you later today.

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