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6/22/2020 14:56	Christie Toth	I am deeply disappointed at the paltry cuts to funding for the Salt Lake Police Department in the budget passed by City Council. The moment demands transformative change to fund our communities, not token gestures that fail to address the underlying system of racialized violence and criminalized poverty and mental illness. We need real change and real accountability, and my vote will go to the candidates who are willing to dl'mantle the white supremacist structure that killed Bernardo Palacios-Carbajal and George Floyd and Breonna Taylor and many, many others.

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6/22/2020 15:00	DENNIS EYRE	<p>I am in complete agreement with David's comments! That said, I understand the position the City Council was in and that it needed to do something to demonstrate they were listening to the protestor demands, other than just saying they would take their demands under consideration. However, as David noted, the vast majority of those who live in the EBCC area have for years complained about, in their view, the inadequate police presence and monitoring of the area to address the crime in the area, in addition to the past very slow response times or even the non-response to citizen calls. It is a fact that a presence is a deterrent. A couple of years ago I reported a suspicious person, and the police arrived about 3 hours later and asked for description and location, and then called me and reported they were unable to find him!!! Over the years the City has been telling us that changes were on the way which would address our concerns ( a change in how patrols are dispatched, bike patrols, more officers, patrols assigned to specific beats)---non of which materialized or were effective in dealing with crime in our area. Of course there were also the City's comment that our area had one of the lowest crime rates in the City, implying that we should be happy with the service, regardless of how much crime was occurring in our area. One of the major problems, is that even if those committing the crimes are caught, they are just about immediately let loose to continue their ways the next day! In my opinion, this problem was one of the major factors which resulted in your election. We hope that you will be able to address this problem and would be more than willing to visit with you about the history of what has occurred and not occurred <b>*Continued 1/2*</b></p>

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	DENNIS EYRE	<p><b>*Continued 2/2*</b> I'm vice chair of the EBCC and I am very concerned to have our police department's budget cut by 5 million plus dollars to reallocate some 2.5 million to social work and another 2.5 million to be held in reserve for other options. Our area has been short of basic police coverage for years and efforts by the City Counsel last year were made to hire additional police officers to meet the needs city wide including our area. Last year we were told that the Police Department was trying to hire 50 additional officers but applicants were not as forthcoming as hoped and careful training of new police officers takes up to a year. Now the Council has put a hiring freeze on the police department. How does this action solve the existing shortage of officers? How will social workers fill the gap for needed enforcement and coverage? I would hope to see the 5 million dollars originally budgeted for the Police department spent to upgrade our police force. More competitive salaries and education requirements for them would go a long way to solve the problems of enforcement. Emotional reactions need to be tempered and decisions made that will strengthen this important segment of our society.</p>

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6/22/2020 15:59	Laura Roy	Please protect out 4th Amendment! NO to forced COVID testing. NO forced vaccines

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6/22/2020 16:00	Lynn Averett	Your recent vote of removing police department funds was an extreme disappointment. I realize there are no leaders on the city council, rather only elected representatives who are expected to do the bidding for the majority of their constituents, not the minority. The majority want law and order, not lawlessness. Also, It's safe to say that 98% of law enforcement interactions show they responded correctly. It's past time that residents/citizens take accountability and responsibility for their actions. Everyone is not a victim and we cannot continue blaming others for our actions. What has become of basic common sense? Would you remove the mayors security detail? Would you remove law enforcement from open council meetings that may get out of hand where your safety is in jeopardy? Of course not, that directly affects you. Have you been in countries where law enforcement is nonexistent or ineffective? I have and we do not want that here. Law and order must be supported and we cannot give in to those that crave anarchy. Please support civility, law and order. Sincerely, Lynn Averett
6/22/2020 16:00	Michael Collins	Completely disappointed in you all. We need more funding, not less. Will do everything I can'to make sure you lose your power. Please rethink your lives
6/22/2020 16:01	Sherri Doxey	Thank you for this information. For the record, I am sad that the voices of the majority were not considered. 90% of Utahns value and appreciate our good police. I am disappointed that our city leadership acted short-sighted and ignorant of principles of the freedom. I feel less safe in Utah. This will aggravate the racial injustice, and in the overall picture it is going to diminish justice for all. Please keep me informed.

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6/22/2020 16:02	Natalie Allsup-Edwards	<p>Hello Ana, I am an artist and business owner in Salt Lake City and a member of your district. I wanted to write you today for a couple of reasons. First I wanted to apologize that In my last letter I mentioned that I didn't see your face in the city council virtual meeting, but I was mistaken, and you were there! Of course! I also wanted to thank you for your work for our city. I know you are really working hard to meet the demands of Salt Lakers to defund the police. And though demands are still unmet, I trust that this will be an ongoing process that hopefully yields sustainable results. It was difficult for me to watch many commenters scolding you and the council and mayor Mendenhall at the most recent virtual meeting. Though I think that these scoldings were mostly well founded, I wanted to encourage you to persevere and not let the anger of the people dishearten you. I hope instead that their chiding maybe inspires you, that you realize people are angry because they believe in you and your ability to do everything they want and more. I believe in you, and I also know you are human. Let the surge of civilian participation inspire you to take brave action. I believe the our city should divest from police force and reinvest that money into community aid and better systems (as proposed by many of my peers in the recent meetings). I do realize this could take time, but I believe it doesn't have to. That said I wanted to voice my opinion about three other, somewhat related issues that I think if we got a grip on could have cascading positive effects on our society. I am writing many my legislative representatives about these topics and I want to make sure you are aware of these issues and make time to bring them up when form new bills or plan meeting with your colleagues.</p> <p>Issue 1. I think it is very important to implement ranked choice voting (aka instant runoff) in every single election on every level. <b>*Continued 1/3*</b></p>



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	Natalie Allsup-Edwards	<p><b>*Continued 2/3*</b> If you at any point in your career have a chance to voice this I implore you to work towards implementing a system. I bell've ranked choice voting gives a more accurate representation of votes and also allows the opportunity for third parties to viably enter the race without affecting the spread of votes. Ranked choice voting if implemented can have numerous positive effects on how our representatives are chosen. Please put this on an agenda, please talk about this with your colleagues, bring this up at every level which you hold any influence. Issue 2. I have recently learned about something called Qualified I'munity that seems to allow police (or other officials) I'munity unless the plaintiff shows that their actions violated "clearly established statutory or constitutional rights of which a reasonable person would have known.? I think that removing this doctrine may be a good step for Utah in general in our fight to end police brutality and, in terms of your re-election, may gain some voter support for you and your colleagues who may have a hand in its undoing. Issue 3. I bell've we need to legalize Marijuana and release prisoners who are serving time for offenses related to the sale or possession of this plant. I bell've it is long overdue to settle this. It is legal in many states and is even medically legal in Utah. Marijuana was deemed an essential service during the major closures of the COVID-19 pandemic and It'seems unfair and unjust to leave people in jail for distributing or possessing it. Maybe when these people were jailed marijuana was more illegal, but in light of the changes in the law, there should also be changes in the punishment especially retroactively.</p>
	Natalie Allsup-Edwards	<p><b>*Continued 3/3*</b> Changing this law and releasing people imprisoned for the sale or possession of marijuana is an essential step to end the extremely high incarceration rate and end privatized prisons. I hope that you take this issue seriously and bring it up at your meetings to address. Thank you for hearing my comments, and thank you for your service to our community. - Natalie Allsup-Ewards</p>

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	Matthew Willm Talbot	<p>Dear Ana, As a resident of Salt Lake City 84102 District 4, I would like to extend my concern that measures by the city council to reduce the police budget are not enough. The links include: 1) An Op-Ed from Professors and activists discussing what "defunding the police" would entail and why it deserves real consideration. Vox "What does defund the police" mean? &lt;<a href="https://www.vox.com/2020/6/3/21276824/defund-police-divest-explainer">https://www.vox.com/2020/6/3/21276824/defund-police-divest-explainer</a>&gt; 2) Second is an article from Nature: human behavior, a well-respected scientific journal, which presents compelling evidence that in NYC, over-policing was strongly correlated with increased major crimes (i.e. burglary, grand larceny.) In other words, aggressive law enforcement perpetuate and incite more severe criminal acts. I would argue there are systemic issues that cannot be addressed by anything less than "starting fresh." Law enforcement officers were trained and have long existed in an echo-chamber enforcing their role as "going after the bad guys." As reforms passed in 2017 did not quell the worst year of SLCPD-related killings in 2018, why would we try much the same reforms that have proven ineffectual? I cannot understand how police could shoot a man with his back turned, much less how moderate reforms would change their minds. People of color are 9x more likely to be killed by Utah police. Let's put a stop to that. Best, Matthew Talbot</p>
	Bonnie Jurges	<p>June 20, 2020 Dear Council Member Valdemoros, Dear Sir or Madam, I am reaching out to your office as one of your local constituents with a very important issue. I want you to know that I stand 100% with my local police officers and do not want to see any budget cuts to their department. All police officers are not perfect, but I know that the vast majority of police officers put their lives on the line to protect us. Do not cut their budget or punish them because of the tragedy that took place in Minneapolis. We need to work with our local police department to improve their practices, not defund them. Defend the police, don't defund them. Sincerely, Bonnie Jurges</p>

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	Frances Dingivan	<p>Hello Mr. Dugan, I saw that the city council cut the SLCPD budget by roughly \$5 million, but \$2.8 million is in a holding account that is still accessible to the SLCPD through council approval. \$2.5 million of the "cuts" goes to social workers within the police department. Instead, 1) Cut the SLCPD's budget by \$30 million. Use this money to rel'vest in schools. Utah ranks among the states that spend the least amount of money per student in the country! 2) Instead of using \$780,000 to purchase more police equi'ment, I'vest that money into programs that support our homeless community members. 3) No more spending on de-escalation training. This doesn?t work. It didn't save Bernardo Palacios. 4) No new hires in the police department for the 2020-2021 year. We don't need more police. We need more teachers and mental health counselors. I voted for you because I bell'ved you would put the well-being of our community above all else. Now is your chance to follow through. Sincerely, Frances Dingivan</p>

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	Trafton Drew	<p>Hi Representative Dugan, I am a constituent of yours who lives near 15&amp;15 and works at the U. I voted for you this fall and was excited to do so. I wonder what you and the rest of the city council are planning on doing about policereform. I think the protests and the subsequent inquiries into police budgets have revealed a systemic flaw in the system where police are being asked to do too much, resulting in bad outcomes that differentially hurt minorities. There are many situations where sending someone with a gun and taser into the situation is much more likely to make it worse than it is the to make it better. I went to graduate school in Eugene, OR and they had a program there called Cahoots (<a href="https://whitebirdclinic.org/about/">https://whitebirdclinic.org/about/</a>) that is just one example of how rethinking when police are deployed can lead to better outcomes for citizens and save the city money. Now is the time for a real reevaluation of police practices and budgetreform. We clearly need to change something! In addition, there is now very convincing data that suggests 8 clear ways to reduce police violence that have been researched and articulated here: <a href="https://8cantwait.org/">https://8cantwait.org/</a> I would love for you to consider either of these options, but am interested in hearing what you are thinking about this as well. I appreciated your weekly message that outlined broad support with these issues and the fact that the council approved a small decrease in the police budget. I hope you will continue to push for me. This is very large problem that is going to necessitate big changes. Thanks, Trafton Drew ~~~~~ Trafton Drew</p>

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	George Hurd	<p>Thank you for your response to my email. Upon reading the information provided, I'm left with a number of questions regarding what appear to be some worrisome assumptions made on the part of the council. Specifically; ?In response to last night?s comments, the Council also directed staff to report back at the next Council meeting (in July) on what other communities are doing to address implicit bias and systemic racI'm, particularly as it relates to the budget.? And... ?We realize how dissatisfying it is that our budget discussions aren?t extensive enough to fully address systemic and institutional racI'm. As the Council Chair mentioned last night, to fix more than 400 years of entrenched racI'm, it will take more than a \$10, 20, or 30 million dollar funding fix...? My question is... where is the data that supports these grotesque assumptions made by the Council and the Council Chair? What study are we referring to that concludes that our police departments and law enforcement agencies are riddled with the cancer of ?400 years of entrenched racI'm?? The pronouncements of the Council, and the funding decisions already made, are supported by no such empirical data that I can find, and seem to be, instead, manufactured out of some anecdotal information at best, or the whole cloth of the Council?s reactionary imaginings at worst. Your job isn?t to imagine problems that need attention and redress, your job is put the city?s resources to work based on evidence and data. The DoT would no more install a stop-sign without conducting research into its efficacy than you should be reducing the budget of law enforcement due to ?systemic and institutional racI'm? without benefit of study. You are acting in dereliction to you duties, and each of you should resign from you position if your are unable or incapable of performing your due diligence in the making of such momentous decisions. George Hurd</p>

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	Jamie Reeves	It is absolutely imperative that we defund the police. It is absolutely imperative that both no knock, and quick knock warrants are completely outlawed. It is absolutely imperative that police misconduct investigations be done by a party not within, or sympathizing with the police department. It is absolutely imperative that we demilitarize the police. It is absolutely imperative that SWAT teams don't exist. It is absolutely imperative we do not bring military tactics of police forces into the homes of people. It is absolutely imperative that we defund the police. It is absolutely imperative that you stop learning all you know about police presence from police chiefs and police officers. It is absolutely imperative that you listen to the Black community. It is absolutely imperative that you know that they will not want to talk to you. It is absolutely imperative that you know that they will not trust you. It is absolutely imperative that you then work harder to understand. Police are violent. There is no ifs, ands, or buts. The presence of police is violence. The tactics of police are violence. Your enabling of police is violence. It is absolutely imperative that you are not violent towards your constituents. It is absolutely imperative that you serve your constituents. Serve the people you were elected to represent. Do good for the people you were elected to represent. Defund the police for the people you were elected to represent.
6/22/2020 16:03	Jamie Reeves	Hello, I am writing today to vouch for how imperative it is that we defund the police. We need to view public safety in a way that does not make Black, LGBTQ+, low income people unsafe. Sincerely, Jamie Reeves
6/22/2020 16:24	Joan Gregory	<a href="https://medium.com/@m4blcomms/defunding-police-what-it-takes-to-end-police-violence-bb164a70e89b">https://medium.com/@m4blcomms/defunding-police-what-it-takes-to-end-police-violence-bb164a70e89b</a> Joan Gregory, a constituent 8410

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	Tony Batey	I am writing to demand that the City Council adopt a people's Budget that prioritizes community wellbeing and redirects funding away from the police. We are in the midst of widespread upheaval over the systemic violence of policing, embodied by the SLCPD's well documented history of murdering Black people. We will no longer accept empty gestures and suggestions of reform.? We are demanding that our voices be heard now, and that real change be made to the way this city allocates its resources. Support for communities in need is necessary now, more than ever. But instead, the Mayor has proposed an increase in funding to the SLCPD, despite the fact that crime has fallen considerably during the past few months. The SLCPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, more often than not, is paid out to officers responsible for harassing the unhoused, and Black, Indigenous, people of color. We demand that the City Council defund the SLCPD. We join the calls of those across the country to #DefundThePolice. We demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of at-risk Utahans during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. We demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowers the police forces that tear them apart. Although City Council has avoided voting or revising <b>*Continued 1/2*</b>

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6/22/2020 16:30	Bruce Winters	<p>Thanks for all you are doing to make needed changes. I am not aware of the inequities and injustices which the protesters are protesting about. I am really pleased with our police department and city leaders. I think the great majority of our community feel the same way. I trust you to make the appropriate changes. As you do so, please don't let the tail wag the dog.</p>
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6/22/2020 16:32	Brent Killian	<p>your anti police hate is going to get people killed.</p>



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6/23/2020 12:44	Lucy Le Bohec	<p>Hello, My name is Lucy Le Bohec, and I'm writing again with regards to the 2020-21 fiscal budget, specifically about the SLCPD budget changes. I appreciate the city council's willingness to discuss these matters and hear the public's requests. However, the changes that were ultimately made to the budget are insufficient. And It seems that despite giving constituents a platform to express ourselves, the city council did not listen to calls to defund the police. I do not understand the train of thought that led the council from a clear statement from SLC residents on what we need to feel safe (a reduced police presence complimented by alternative community/safety resources), to moving around a small amount of money which is ultimately going directly back into the police department. Funding social workers that are housed in the police department forces people who may wish to access their services to interact with police; this is simply an unsafe option for some and should not be a prerequisite for accessing support from social workers. Furthermore, the decision to create a City Commission on Racial Equity and Policing is a fine step if, and only if, this commission centers the voices and needs of the communities that have been most impacted by police misconduct of all kinds. This commission must show Salt Lake City residents that they are working with members and leaders from these communities, not excluding them or considering their voices secondary to the commission and SLC government. Thank you for your time and consideration, Lucy Le Bohec</p>

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6/23/2020 13:05	Janet Alcala	<p>Hi Andrew, I am very appreciative that you returned my call and took the time to listen to my concerns regarding the killing of Bernardo Palcios at the hands of SLPD officers. As I've mentioned, we are working hard to try and get justice for his family. As we all wait to hear what Sim Gill will decide in terms of criminal charges, we are mindful there are many things the city can do in this case also. The family has made their demands known to the Mayor, I am including them here for your information and support as you are able. *</p> <p>Release ALL 5 cop body cams, UNEDITED and COMPLETE * Fire Chief Mike Brown * Fire ALL cops involved in shooting to kill Bernardo * Create independent Civilian Review Boards WITH TEETH for all police shootings * Release the names and pictures of ALL officers involved, along with their backgrounds, records, and misconduct reports * Explain how ALL 10 of his fingers were shot off!!! Again, thank you for your support and service to our community! Sincerely, Janet Alcala, Community Activist #Justice4Bernardo</p>

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6/23/2020 13:07	Julia McGowan	<p>My name is Julia McGowan and I am writing to urge you to reallocate the funds that the city has budgeted for law enforcement and incarceration, redirecting them into affordable housing, education, healthcare, community centers, updating infrastructure, and community-led organizations. We are in the midst of widespread upheaval over the systemic violence of policing, embodied by the SLCPD's well documented history of lethal force against residents of color. Empty gestures and suggestions of reform? are unacceptable. I am demanding the voices of this movement be heard, and that real change be made to the way this city allocates its resources. Support for marginalized communities is necessary now, more than ever. But instead, the Mayor has proposed an increase in funding to the SLCPD, while social services and education--proven to better promote community safety than policing--stagnate. The SLCPD has seen a rise in overtime pay which, when too often paid out to officers responsible for harassing unhoused, Black, Indigenous, and Latinx residents, is deeply insulting. I am demanding that the City Council defund the SLCPD. I demand a budget that adequately and effectively meets the needs of impacted Utahans during this trying and uncertain time, when livelihoods are on the line. I demand a budget that supports community wellbeing, rather than empowering the police forces that tear us apart. Although City Council has thus far avoided voting or revising Mayor Mendenhall's budget proposal, the document is back in your hands. It is your duty to represent your constituents. I am urging you to completely revise the SLC budget for 2020-2021 fiscal year, and to fund care, not criminalization and incarceration. You must adopt a budget for the people. Public opinion is with me. Thank you for your time, Julia McGowan</p>

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