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7/6/2020 14:20	Ella Warnock	SLC COUNCIL MEMBERS! PLEASE SPEAK UP. 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!!!
7/6/2020 14:14	David J. Sturzenegger	I just saw on the news, that the city is considering using city employees and city resources to paint "Black Lives Matter" on city property surrounding Washington Square. I want you to know that I strongly believe that all lives matter! Color should never play a role in that. That being stated, I believe that it is already obvious that the city is or should be unbiased in its treatment of all, regardless of their skin coloring. It is absolutely not necessary to use the wages of city employees or the resources of the city to paint that message on the pavement surrounding the city and county building. The city has far too many other projects and programs that could benefit from those resources. Just because that message is politically expedient right now, does not create the overwhelming need to "go along for the ride". If someone wants to convey that message, let them obtain the proper permitting, labor, and resources to accomplish that. Do not use the resources of my city to do that! Maybe the city, its mayor and council should get back to the basics of governing the city, rather than whose lives do and do not matter. Thank you for your time. I would love to hear from you, should care to respond.

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7/6/2020 14:12	Claire Thomas	<p>I call Salt Lake County home. I am writing to you today in both grief and hope. Grief that it has taken yet another Black life to shine a spotlight on the injustice ingrained within this nation. And hope that this moment will incite the very change that prevents any more Black blood from being spilled. I write to you for a simple reason: you are an individual with the power to reform the laws that rob us of our collective humanity. I urge you and all Utah legislators to introduce legislation that seeks to: 1. END THE CRIMINALIZATION OF POVERTY. Poverty disproportionately affects the Black community. Subjecting communities that have been left behind for decades to harsh punishment simply because of the impoverished circumstances they find themselves is another avenue that puts Black people in confrontation with police officers. Direct the money to programs that seek to actually improve the living conditions of the over-policed. 2. END PRACTICES SUCH AS NO-KNOCK WARRANTS. No-knock warrants are prone to mishap, confusion, and misunderstanding. 3. RIGOROUSLY SCREEN THOSE ENTERING THE POLICE FORCE AND CONTINUALLY SUBJECT THOSE IN THE LINE OF DUTY TO TESTS OF BOTH PSYCHOLOGICAL FITNESS AND MENTAL CAPACITY. 4. PROVIDE EVERY OFFICER IN THE LINE OF DUTY WITH A BODYCAM. Bodycams force officers to weigh their decisions with the knowledge that others will be watching (and judging) them. 5. ESTABLISH A CITIZEN'S REVIEW BOARD that allows underrepresented individuals and communities to voice their concerns and litigate on matters concerning injustice. We will not rest until our grievances are heard and action is taken. For too long we have waited idly for those in power to act. All across the nation, the people of this country are filling in where we felt our leaders have left a gaping hole. I ask you to start the process of fixing what is broken in this nation.</p>
7/6/2020 14:09	Chris Nielsen	<p>Systemic racism does not exist, SLC police do an amazing job to keep the community safe, and should receive higher funding, and punishing the SLC police for this make belief movement will only harm the community in the long run.</p>

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7/6/2020 14:04	Andrea Ramos Campos	I am an Afro Peruvian resident of the gorgeous Salt Lake City. I've only been in this vibrant city for a little over 2 years and have fallen in love. I know the potential it has to a beautifully diverse and inclusive area. I am writing to demand that the City Council adopt a budget for the people, that prioritizes community wellbeing and redirects funding away from the police. Statistics have shown Utah has one of the highest percentages of
7/6/2020 14:01	Amaya Schindele	I can not believe the amount of deaths there have been from suspects running. how many young men and men being shot to death bc they ran from something the slcpd enforces, fear. recently i had an uncover police officer put his lights on behind me before switching lanes and turning. he wasn't after me but he did enjoy the scare. slcpd is so undereducated on how to calm down a situation. they can't even catch a runner unless its with a bullet. I'm disgusted and their families deserve justice because the state dug that fear into them. Resisting should NOT be a cause to shoot a kid 20 times, several of which where after he passed and was on the asphalt. Bernardo Palacios deserves justice. It was him against 4 officers and they did was shoot. #DETAINDONOTSHOOT

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7/6/2020 13:46	Jenna Simkins	<p>Hello, I am writing about police funding. I support redirecting funding for the police department to social services, and I think the actions the council took last month are a step in the right direction. I heard a segment on NPR that talked about a program called CAHOOTS in Oregon where social workers and medics respond to 911 calls or non emergency calls that involve mental health issues. CAHOOTS handles about 20% of the 911 calls, and estimate they save about 15 million dollars per year in costs (ER room visits, EMS, and police response). The CAHOOTS program costs only 2.1 million per year. To put that in perspective, the police budget in the two cities CAHOOTS works with is 90 million dollars a year. Here is a link to the segment: https://www.npr.org/2020/06/10/874339977/cahoots-how-social-workers-and-police-share-responsibilities-in-eugene-oregon Do we have a similar program in place in Salt Lake City, where social workers and medics can respond to situations that are not life threatening and do not have a legal component involved? If so, how much money goes towards this program? In the past, I have not called the police because I could not know whether or not the police officers would harm or kill a person who seems to be suffering from a mental illness. Having unarmed and trained social workers and medics responding to mental health calls would give me and others peace of mind that someone in crisis is being helped and connected to resources they need. Thank you for your time. Jenna Simkins</p>