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**From:** Voices For LAPD <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 7, 2024 2:37 PM  
**To:** Police Commission  
**Subject:** BOPC 09/08/24 public comment

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To the LAPD BOPC, LAPD COP, the entire LAPD, Public and Mayor Bass,

We, the People, would like to thank Mayor Karen Bass for selecting Chief Jim McDonnell to be the new Chief of LAPD! Chief McDonnell, with his vast experience and knowledge in policing is a true leader in the law enforcement world and is greatly respected and appreciated by the LAPD rank and file, Police Protective League and the community!

Chief Jim McDonnell has a history of supporting community policing and truly listens to our concerns, the concerns of all voices in all communities. We have seen him in action at community meetings and events and he engages, looks people in the eye, is empathetic and truly seems to enjoy the conversations with the community and stays to the end of events, which is not always the case with other LAPD command staff.

Last Friday was truly historic, and we, the Voices For LAPD thank everyone who took part in the selection process, especially the Police Commission President Erroll Southers and the Police Commission and staff. It was a long difficult process but the officers and community were heard and it was worth the wait for such an outstanding selection which is a gamechanger for the LAPD and Los Angeles!

We, the people, are ready to work with Chief Jim McDonnell and bring community policing to the next level as he indicated in his remarks at his appointment. We again thank the Mayor and Congratulate Chief McDonnell! There are many challenges including officer morale, recruiting and retention, and implementing community policing. With the leadership of Chief McDonnell and an energized LAPD and community we are encouraged that we can overcome all challenges and create a safer Los Angeles together for us all!

Respectfully,

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**From:** Stephen Saletros <[REDACTED]>  
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As past president of the Los Angeles Police Emerald Society and retired LAPD officer I would like to publicly express sincere gratitude to Mayor Bass for selecting the best choice for LAPD Chief, Jim McDonnell! Jim has always had the reputation for inclusively promoting the best within LAPD and Mayor Bass has demonstrated the same.

If you are not familiar with the Emerald Society, it is a national and international organization with local chapters primarily made up of law enforcement and civilian associates of Irish heritage. The Los Angeles Police Emerald Society is multi agency and has a history of being good partners in the Law Enforcement world and Irish cultural communities with a Pipes and Drums Band that honors all Fallen officers, performs for parades and law enforcement and charity events.

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