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A couple weeks ago at the urging and encouraging of the people, the Police Commission took its show on the road and had a meeting at a time and place that was more accessible for many members of the public instead of 0930 AM on a Tuesday at Police Headquarters. Many people are unable to attend meetings on a Tuesday morning at 0930 AM because they have work and school commitments so that was a welcome and long overdue move.. Attendance was much greater in person than the usual paltry number of professional anti police activists that populate the Tuesday morning meetings. A truly diverse cross section of the community was heard from which was a welcome change. However, many supporters of the police were interrupted when they spoke by the usual suspects who were there to disrupt Police community relations. Fortunately, the actual members of the community would not be silenced nor tolerate the rude activists as they dont believe in free speech or the diversity of opinions. I applaud the true community that refused to be silenced but where was the LAPD enforcement action in preventing the usual disruptors from disrupting like usual? Several members of the public, including a pastor or two, had to contend with rude interruptions which should not have been the case.

One gentleman implored the Police Commission to "DO ITS JOB" and that sentiment has been voiced many times. When will those voices of the law abiding be heard?

In a city that has tremendous production talent was that the best meeting that could be produced and presented? The meeting was not even broadcast live in a hybrid manner so that the entire community could see a historic meeting between the South LA Community and the LAPD. The lighting, camera angles, audio and overall production left much to be desired.

Overall, the move to hold meetings at 6 PM in the community was a step in the right direction but the LAPD can do better. Perhaps the time of the Tuesday meetings should be changed to 7PM so that members of the public can have the option of attending their LAPD Police HQ and be heard by their Police Commissioners.

Respectfully, Voices For LAPD