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Police Commissioners,

As a community member who has attended Foothill Division CPAB meetings as a community member I was shocked and saddened to hear that Captain "Loose Hands and Loose Lips" Lozano without providing any reason at all, relieved longtime Community Police Supporter and activist Phil Tabbi from his position as CPAB Co Chair.

Phil Tabbi has a long history of supporting LAPD serving the officers and community in the joint endeavor of community policing. Recent developments at LAPD Foothill Division regarding the political interference of LA City councilmember Monica Rodriguez in the removal of a very popular , responsive and effective Senior Lead Officer and the subsequent disciplining of a Captain that attempted to resist political interference is at the heart of the matter.

Phil Tabbi has been an outspoken critic of Chief Moore and LAPD Command staff at times when he has seen objectionable behavior which was not in the best interest of his community and LAPD and for that he is respected.

Phil Tabbi, at every meeting I have attended has always been professional and positive as the CPAB Co Chair focusing on the community policing relationship and making it stronger. Phil Tabbi has proven his commitment and dedication over many years with great effort and sacrifice of his own time for the community.

Phil Tabbi has spoken directly and forthrightly about political interference in the LAPD SLO program and the behavior of Chief Moore which is objectionable as Phil Tabbi sees it. That is his right to speak as an individual to the Police Commission as his conscience dictates.

In the final analysis, who cares more about their community than Phil Tabbi and all the residents who live together in THEIR community? Captain Lozano? Chief "Moneybags" Hamilton? Chief Moore?

I call attention to this great injustice which has been perpetrated against Phil Tabbi, SLO Cesar Contreras, Captain Smith and ultimately the community. This is a form of corruption and community intimidation and I hope that the Police Commission and Mayors office look into this matter and restore public confidence in the LAPD in our community/

Signed,

Anonymous due to fear of possible retaliation [REDACTED]

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LAPD Board of Police Commissioners and All Concerned Citizens,

Once again the world witnessed the inability of the LAPD Police Commission President Errol Southers to conduct a meeting effectively and enforce fairly and impartially the rules of the Los Angeles Police Commission regarding item 2, public comment.

Week after week, disruptors from the audience are allowed to violate the rules and the law and are allowed to disrupt the Police Commission public meeting to the detriment of the public and police department without consequence. Repeatedly I have called for an enforcement of 403 PC Disrupting a public meeting which is a misdemeanor as there should be consequences for illegal disruptive behavior. The repeat offenders have repeatedly been warned and have continued to make a mockery of the Police Commission rules and law and meeting in full view of the Chief of Police, Sgt at Arms and world at large via Zoom.

I am a strong advocate for free speech and the expression of all views which is guaranteed to us in the US Constitution as an inalienable right derived from God, Public comment is the time for the expression of concern for all matters related to public safety, policing and the LAPD. Each member of the public should have the same amount of time and be allowed to express their thoughts and opinions without interruption. Anyone who has been warned and educated on the rules and law and violates said law should be arrested.

At the October 24th BOPC meeting, an attorney was allowed to go beyond three minutes in his representation and argument on behalf of the family of Keenan Anderson in search of a payday using emotionalism and racial politics to gain sympathy in a one sided tirade. That was wrong and never should have been allowed to happen as he was trying to sway the Police Commission and the public in the court of public opinion during a Police Commission meeting. It appears he succeeded, the truth be damned.

Family members were also allowed to speak on the incident and while I believe that they should be heard by the Police Commission item 2 public comment is not where they should be heard but in closed session where they can take more time in a more controlled way with a spirit of consideration and compassion.

Each time I have heard a family member of a person alleged to have been "murdered" by the LAPD speak at the Police Commission I have reviewed video of the incident. Thus far, I have found that the video reveals that the reality of the incident and the version provided by distraught family member is full of inaccuracies, either intentionally or unintentionally. I am sympathetic to anyone who loses a loved one under any circumstances and offer prayers for the loss but that does not obviate the need and righteous demand for truth and justice. In the case of LAPD Officers who are accused of "murder" and misconduct, do they not deserve due process and the presumption of innocence as every person does in our system of justice? Is it fair to have only one side presented at a Police Commission meeting?

When I attempted to provide balance and factual details on the Keenan incident in public comment I was immediately interrupted by the BLM contingent off camera. Was the attorney objecting during my time for public comment? The same attorney who spoke way beyond his three minutes allotted by the clock?

It would seem that the BLM contingent had neither respect for the rules or law and the meeting had to be recessed for approximately twenty minutes while the room was cleared, again, a clear lack of respect of the rights of others who do not agree with them to speak. Either we have rules and the rule of law or we dont. I encourage the Police Commission

President and the Chief of Police to start enforcing the rules and law. If you do not you are derelict in your duty and should resign. Let someone who can actually do the job do the job if you are unwilling or unable to perform your duty. Rules and laws, if not enforced, are just words on a piece of paper. They must be enforced otherwise you have anarchy. And isn't that what some professional activists want? It would seem so. Mob rule is an affront to civilization and should never be allowed.

There were many items of police and public concern to be discussed after the cancellation of the two previous meetings without any reason given. Los Angeles is in a public safety crisis and needs the dedication of the Police Commission and all citizens to turn it around. Sadly, I do not see a commitment and dedication from the Police Commission sufficient to do what needs to be done to correct the course of an LAPD which is off course and not so slowly sinking. Two Board members had no questions of the Chief regarding his report or anything that had transpired in the last weeks. How sad is that?

This Police Commission is obsessed with identity politics and does not seem capable of leading the LAPD as the civilian oversight body setting the philosophy of policing in Los Angeles. Policing and public safety should not be a partisan matter but clearly the Chief and the Command staff culture is infected by identity and partisan politics which is corruption and racist bigoted corruption. The corruption of the LAPD Command staff by politicalization and the immorality of a careerist crony culture is very apparent with the exception of a few good Command Staff officers. The officers and public suffer due to a lack of real leadership that is truthful and has integrity and that is a tragedy.

I continue to support the good men and women of the LAPD who are doing their best to protect and serve despite the lack of support from politicians and their own Chief of Police.

Unless we have a drastic change in leadership at the top at the local, state and national level, crime and corruption will continue to flourish and rise and the Horror Show will continue and that should scare everyone!

Respectfully ,
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LAPD Police Commissioners,

Recently , the LASD suffered the loss of four members of their organization , active and retired, in a single day. That is a sad and tragic day because anytime a member of the law enforcement community commits suicide it is a great loss to their family and friends and the community.

The pressures on law enforcement personnel are enormous and compounded by the seeming lack of support for our police officers as reported by the media. What is the LAPD and the LAPD Police Commission doing to ensure officer wellness? The time to be proactive regarding officer well being is now.

All officers, regardless of rank, should be required to speak with Behavioral Sciences periodically for an assessment and mental health check in about how they are handling the pressures of the job and life issues. If all officers are required to speak with a BSS trained professional mental health therapist then there would no stigma attached to doing so and lives would be saved and the officer would have that resource to assist them should it be needed.

The chaplain program should also be utilized for the benefit of officers. When is the last time a Chaplain attended a Police Commission meeting or Roll Call in a station? Ask the questions and lets get some answers and action.

We, the Voices for LAPD , love, respect and support our officers. We care. You should demonstrate the same.

Voices For LAPD