

From: Candace Andersen
Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 7:44 AM
To: Maria Alegria
Cc: Jami Morritt; Clerk of the Board; John Gioia; District5; Supervisor Mitchoff; Diane Burgis
Subject: Re: CCC BOS: 8.4.20 Agenda Item: D.2

Importance: High

Maria,

It was received and distributed to all of us on the Board.

Best regards,
Candace

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On Aug 4, 2020, at 7:27 AM, Maria Alegria <mlalegria@comcast.net> wrote:

Dear Clerk of the Board,

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Thank you.

Sincerely,
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From: Maria Alegria <mlalegria@comcast.net>

Date: Friday, July 31, 2020 at 1:02 PM

To: BOS Clerk of the Board 2020 <clerkoftheboard@cob.cccounty.us>

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DISCUSSION ITEMS

D.2 HEARING on the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Recommended County and Special District Budgets. (David Twa, County Administrator).

I would appreciate acknowledgment and receipt of email.

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July 31, 2020

Via email: attn: clerkoftheboard@cob.cccounty.us

Dear Madame Chair and Board of County Supervisors:

Subject: August 4, 2020; Agenda Item: D2

On behalf of the Democratic Party of Contra Costa County, we join with other community and racial justice organizations, to speak out in support of the Black Lives Matter movement.

As you know, Black Lives Matter has made us all aware of bias and systemic racism in our society, and especially in our law enforcement and criminal justice system. Part of the bias is due to the history of the institution of slavery in the 1700's, a focus on chasing down runaway slaves and shutting down slave revolts, grew into a weapon to disrupt labor uprisings in the 1800s, and matured in the 1900s to be used as the single most effective tool in repressing the civil rights movement. This bias can be seen in the seeming lack of accountability for deaths at the hands of law enforcement in Contra Costa County, including the mounting deaths at our county jails. These actions have permanently damaged the lives of thousands of accused people, and devastated family members, and Black communities at large.

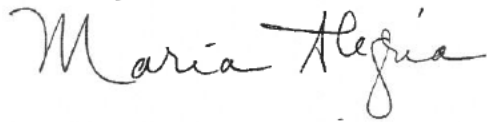
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What is needed is an unprecedented and urgent redirection of funds from law enforcement, which has historically harmed Black and Brown communities, to a deep investment in life-affirming programs and services for black, Indigenous and People of Color. It is crucial to reallocate funds from police and sheriff departments to allocate public resources in a deep investment in life-affirming programs and services for the benefit of Black communities that aim to promote economic stability, living wages, stable housing and youth programs.

We need programs that would engage school-aged children, support street outreach workers, reclaim public spaces, and promote job preparation and job growth. We are asking you as Supervisors to redirect funding from the failed and oftentimes racist systems of policing, criminalization, and incarceration that have kept our communities from feeling safe. Instead, invest funding in public services that will not be administered by law enforcement but will provide life-affirming and promote community health and safety equitably across the County, especially in Black and Brown communities most impacted by violence and incarceration.

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**Reimagining Our Communities:
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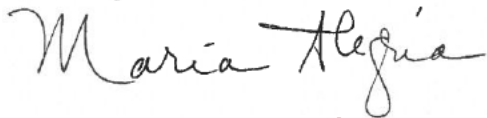
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