

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 3.21  
(ID # 13072)**

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, July 14, 2020

**FROM:** SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL AND SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON:

**SUBJECT:** SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL AND SUPERVISOR CHUCK WASHINGTON: A commitment to evidence-based policing and transparency by allied law enforcement agencies within Riverside County by supporting a collaborative approach to law enforcement's response to calls for service involving persons suffering from a mental health crisis; and also requesting eventual future funding for the creation of a combined team consisting of personnel from the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and the Riverside County District Attorney's Office to properly investigate all deadly use of force incidents within the county.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

1. Approve
2. Authorize

**ACTION:** Policy

  
Supervisor Karen Spiegel, Vice-Chairman 7/9/2020

  
Supervisor Chuck Washington, Supervisor 3rd District 7/10/2020

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended; and, staff is directed to work on the establishment of an oversight advisory committee and provide support to Behavioral Health, including a cost analysis and future study session.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** None  
**Date:** July 14, 2020  
**xc:** BOS, EO, Sheriff, DA, RUHS-Behavioral Health

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The recent events across our nation have prompted the public, and several federal and state legislators and other elected officials throughout the country to propose recommended reforms for all law enforcement agencies, as well as our California Attorney General. Historically, California has led the nation in modern policing methods and best practices for many decades. Many of the reforms that have been proposed on a national level have already been in effect for several years for most California law enforcement agencies, and within Riverside County law enforcement; and are therefore not considered new reforms.

The Riverside County Sheriff's Department, the Riverside District Attorney's Office, the Riverside County Probation Department, the California Highway Patrol as well as the county's twelve (12) municipal police departments, and the three (3) university and school police departments, which are members of the Allied Riverside County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff (ARCCOPS), have already subscribed to the tenets of the 21st Century policing model. These member agencies are actively committed to enacting additional local changes which will enhance service to our communities, transparency and accountability to the public, ensure public confidence, and allow law enforcement agencies to work cooperatively across jurisdictional boundaries.

For the past six months, and well before the most recent national events, ARCCOPS has been actively working on revising officer-involved-shooting (OIS) protocols with the Riverside Sheriff's Association (RSA) and the Law Enforcement Management Unit (LEMU). Several of the member Police Chiefs also consulted with their respective local police associations on the revised protocols and received their support. On May 28, 2020, ARCCOPS agreed upon and enacted policy that effective July 1, 2020, no agency would use their own detectives/investigators as the primary investigating officers for officer-involved shootings and major-force investigations, of which their agency's officers/deputies are involved. Four investigative options are available: (1) join the Sheriff's Force Investigation Detail (FID); (2) retain investigative responsibility but have an outside agency detective/investigator serve as the primary investigator; (3) contract with the Sheriff's Force Investigation Detail; (4) enter into an agreement with another jurisdiction to trade investigative responsibilities. To properly investigate all deadly use of force incidents within the county and properly deconflict for these investigations, particularly in incidents involving the Sheriff's Department, the District Attorney's Office and Sheriff's Department will need additional personnel assigned to Force Investigation Detail (FID).

In addition to committing to the proposed reforms which have already been implemented locally, law enforcement throughout the county is poised to proactively address the topic of mental health by teaming mental health professionals with uniformed officers and deputies to respond

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together to calls for service involving those who are suffering from a mental health crisis. This collaboration can work to de-escalate potentially volatile and violent situations. This team approach has proven to provide alternatives to those at risk of injury or death and engages hard to reach homeless who suffer from a serious mental illness and/or substance use disorder with positive outcomes. The law enforcement and mental health collaboration's goal is to increase connections to resources and social service programs, provide behavioral health and crisis triage alternatives other than emergency treatment services, engage homeless populations, minimize arrests, reduce repeat encounters with law enforcement, and use of force encounters.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

Fiscal impact is unknown at this time and will be presented on a future agenda item upon a thorough budget review and analysis.

**Attachments**

1. Resolution No 2020-177

1 **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-177**

3 **A RESOLUTION OF COMMITMENT TO EVIDENCE BASED POLICING AND**  
4 **TRANSPARENCY BY ALLIED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN RIVERSIDE**  
5 **COUNTY**

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and social service programs, provide behavioral health and crisis triage alternatives other than

1 emergency treatment services, engage homeless populations, minimize arrests, reduce repeat  
2 encounters with law enforcement, and use of force encounters.

3 **WHEREAS**, the county's law enforcement agencies and the Board of Supervisors stand  
4 together condemning racial injustice, discrimination, and condemn behavior that erodes our civil  
5 liberties and are committed to protecting the rights of all individuals in the county; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the board recognizes county's law enforcement agencies and the County  
7 leadership is committed to ensuring that all employees and members of the public are treated  
8 fairly, equitably, and free from discrimination and social injustice; and

9 **WHEREAS**, the board also recognizes local law enforcement agencies within our county have  
10 already subscribed to the tenets of the 21st Century policing model. These member agencies  
11 are actively committed to enacting additional local changes which will enhance service to our  
12 communities, transparency and accountability to the public, ensure public confidence, and allow  
13 law enforcement agencies to work cooperatively across jurisdictional boundaries, which include  
14 outside investigations of deadly force incidents and collaborative responses to mental health  
15 crises simultaneously with behavioral mental health and law enforcement personnel.

16 **WHEREAS**, several law enforcement agencies in the county already employ and use behavioral  
17 and mental health professionals teamed up with law enforcement officers on a pilot program in  
18 several jurisdictions to assist in de-escalation with cognitively impaired individuals and we  
19 recognize crisis intervention is a key element to our enforcement procedures and are committed  
20 to expanding the program county-wide; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the board is supportive of a collaborative approach with teaming a behavioral  
22 mental health specialist working directly with a patrol Officer/Deputy to respond to those calls  
23 for service involved with persons suffering from a mental health crisis; and

24 **WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Department and the District Attorney's Office have a need to create a  
25 combined force investigations team of eight (8) investigators, four (4) from each agency, and a  
supervisor from the Sheriff's Department. The team will be responsible for the investigation of  
all deadly force and officer involved shooting incidents throughout the county, regardless of law  
enforcement agency; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the county's law enforcement agencies train in and employ de-escalation  
techniques in all areas of our law enforcement responsibilities. This includes the use of  
specialized teams such as SWAT and other special operations where situations can be slowed  
down using time and distance to prevent violent confrontations while simultaneously preserving  
life and public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the board recognizes each of the county's law enforcement agencies already  
support transparency and routinely post their policies on their respective department websites  
and most of these reforms have already been in policy and practice with our agencies for several  
years. Riverside County law enforcement agencies lead the nation in policies and practices and  
modern procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, carotid restraint holds have been used to effectively control violent individuals  
where, if not used, more violent and potentially deadly force options would have been deployed.  
This technique has been suspended by most of the agencies until state legislation is passed  
limiting or eliminating its use; and

1 **WHEREAS**, our agencies do not permit or train for the use of choke holds. Each of our agencies  
2 have implemented policies banning the use of choke holds and have either eliminated  
completely or significantly limited the use of carotid restraint; and

3 **WHEREAS**, each of our agencies require a warning, when possible, prior to using both non-  
4 lethal and lethal force and reflect the Attorney General's recommendations. The board  
5 recognizes there are some situations, particularly in the use of deadly force, where there is no  
time to give verbal warnings. Delay in acting, when urgency is warranted, would further increase  
risk to innocent civilians and law enforcement officers; and

6 **WHEREAS**, each of our agencies have previously used and continue to use communication,  
7 utilize compliance holds, and deploy less-lethal options when practical prior to using deadly  
8 force. Our officers and deputies have received extensive training in the use of these options,  
9 but we also recognize and acknowledge when an immediate threat to life is presented, peace  
officers have no choice but to react proportionately; and

10 **WHEREAS**, each of the agencies within our county already have existing policies requiring  
11 officers to intervene and stop excessive force used by other officers. Our agencies also require  
documentation of use-of-force and reporting instances to supervision; and

12 **WHEREAS**, law enforcement policies in Riverside County mirror the Attorney General's  
13 recommendations. We do not allow shooting at moving vehicles unless it is done for the purpose  
14 of the protection of life; and

15 **WHEREAS**, each of our agencies have a progression of force ranging from verbal commands  
16 to deadly force. Officers are trained to use only the force which is necessary to affect the arrest  
17 and protect life. Our use-of-force continuum restricts the most severe types of force to the most  
18 extreme situations and creates clear policy restrictions on the use of each police weapon and  
tactic; and

19 **WHEREAS**, all peace officers in Riverside County are already required by their agency's  
20 policies to not only document uses of force when affecting an arrest or when engaged in lawful  
21 actions; but also, any member present and observing another department member or allied  
22 agency personnel using force that is clearly beyond that which is objectively reasonable under  
23 the circumstances shall, when in a position to do so, intercede to prevent the use of  
unreasonable force. Any department member who observes another employee or allied  
agency personnel use force that exceeds the degree of force permitted by law or policy should  
promptly report these observations to a supervisor; and

24 **WHEREAS**, we offer the attached resolution statement to strengthen community policing and  
25 trust among law enforcement officers and the communities they serve, especially in light of  
recent events around the country that have underscored the need for and importance of lasting  
collaborative relationships between local police and the public.

26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that by adoption of this resolution, the Board of  
27 Supervisors of the County of Riverside hereby actively support the collaborative effort by the  
28 county's law enforcement's agencies and is committed to providing necessary funding to  
29 making systematic improvements in an effort to the investigation of deadly force incidents within  
30 the county and providing mental health services.

2 **RESOLUTION 2020-177**

3 **A RESOLUTION OF COMMITMENT TO EVIDENCE BASED POLICING AND**  
4 **TRANSPARENCY BY ALLIED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN RIVERSIDE**  
5 **COUNTY**

6 ADOPTED by Riverside County Board of Supervisors on JULY 14, 2020.

7 ROLL CALL:

8 Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
9 Nays: None  
10 Absent: None

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12 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of  
13 Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

14 KECIA R. HARPER, Clerk of said Board

15 By:   
16 Deputy

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**Harper, Kecia**

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**From:** Cooper, Patricia  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 9:02 AM  
**To:** Harper, Kecia; Karen Barton  
**Subject:** Fwd: Agenda 3.21 comments

FYI

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Schemmer, Darin" <DSchemmer@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Date:** July 13, 2020 at 8:57:38 AM PDT  
**To:** "Cooper, Patricia" <PCooper@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Subject:** FW: Agenda 3.21

Pat -

Below is a comment on item 3.21.

**Darin A. Schemmer**  
Communications Director

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**From:** Rachell Burgos <rachhyo91@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 8:04 AM  
**To:** District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez <District4@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Subject:** Agenda 3.21

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Dear Sup. Perez,

I am emailing you today to urge you to vote **NO** on agenda 3.21 in tomorrow's meeting. While the Riverside Sheriff's department needs to be investigated for all their manners of misconduct, violence, and abuse of power; they do not need more funding poured into their department to be investigated by their own members.

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We have seen time and time again what happens when officers are allowed to investigate their own departments; evidence mysteriously disappears and nothing is actually done.

This is not okay. Our citizens deserve that the Sheriff's department be investigated by an unbiased organization that is already in existence.

Instead of giving more money to the Sheriff's Department, we ask that the department provide adequate funding for the currently under-resourced **Civilian Oversight Committee**, an impartial citizen-led organization that reviews cases of police misconduct and violence in Riverside County.

Riverside County deserves real transparency and accountability, not police investigating their friends and coworkers.

Please listen to your constituents and vote No on Agenda 3.21 tomorrow.

Thank you,

Rachell Michelle

## Maxwell, Sue

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**From:** Samantha Stone <samantha91\_s@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 12:53 PM  
**To:** Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District; District2; District3; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; District5; spiegel18@aol.com; kspiegel@ci.corona.ca.us; karen.spiegel@discovercorona.com; Reid, Robin; Greene, Jeffrey; COB; achhikara@rcbos.org; RivCoYC  
**Subject:** Hold police accountable EFFECTIVELY

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Riverside has the second-largest sheriff's department in California, they should be properly held accountable just as other sectors of our cities infrastructure should be. Funding the department further to create a task force for investigating THEMSELVES is a conflict of interest and does not build accountability or transparency. Do not fund this investigative venture which will only create deeper problems, instead fund the already existing civilian oversight committee. The sheriff has already made it clear he doesn't care what the city officials think or ask of him, how can we feel safe if the police are the only ones able to check themselves.

Sincerely,  
The people of Riverside

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**From:** Sala Ponnech <ponnech@att.net>

**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 9:33 AM

**To:** COB <COB@RIVCO.ORG>

**Subject:** Board agenda Item 3.21 July 14, 2020

I oppose this proposal because you are asking the people who would be the subjects of the investigation to investigate themselves. I would prefer that a civilian board be in charge, one with the means to hire outside investigative services when necessary.

## Maxwell, Sue

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**From:** Maxwell, Sue  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 2:15 PM  
**To:** Leach, Charissa  
**Cc:** Hildebrand, John; Perez, Juan  
**Subject:** Please Disregard: July 14, 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment (Sala Ponneh) - NOT Cajalco Square

Charissa,

Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

The correction has been made for our Agenda back-up. 😊

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**From:** Leach, Charissa <cleach@rivco.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 2:01 PM  
**To:** Maxwell, Sue <smaxwell@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Subject:** FW: July 14, 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment on Cajalco Square (Sala Ponneh)

Sue the below looks like it is for Item 3.21, not Cajalco Square

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**From:** COB  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 11:52 AM  
**To:** Johnson, George <GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG>; Young, Alisa <AYoung@RIVCO.ORG>; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez <District4@RIVCO.ORG>; District2 <District2@Rivco.org>; District3 <District3@Rivco.org>; District5 <District5@Rivco.org>; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District <district1@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Cc:** Hildebrand, John <JHildebr@RIVCO.ORG>; Perez, Juan <JCPEREZ@RIVCO.ORG>; Leach, Charissa <cleach@rivco.org>  
**Subject:** July 14, 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment on Cajalco Square (Sala Ponneh)

Greetings,

Forwarding a Public Comment received via COB email for July 14, 2020 Item No 21.3.

This is filed with Agenda back-up.

With best regards for your safety and well-being,

**Sue Maxwell**

Board Assistant

Riverside County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

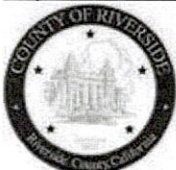
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**From:** Kaelah Wilson <kbwilson@ucsd.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 11:51 AM  
**To:** Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District; District2; District3; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; District5; spiegel18@aol.com; kspiegel@ci.corona.ca.us; karen.spiegel@discovercorona.com; Reid, Robin; Greene, Jeffrey; COB; achhikara@rcbos.org; RivCoYC  
**Subject:** do not fund private police investigative task force

Dear elected officials,

Riverside has the second largest sheriff's department in California, they should be properly held accountable just as other sectors of our cities infrastructure should be. Funding the department further to create a task force for investigating THEMSELVES is a **conflict of interest** and does not build accountability or transparency! Do not fund this investigative venture which will only create deeper problems. The sheriff has already made it clear he doesn't care what the city officials think or ask of him, how can we feel safe if the police are the only ones able to check themselves.

Sincerely,

Concerned Citizen

**From:** COB

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 15, 2020 12:30 PM

**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG) <GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG>; Young, Alisa <AYoung@RIVCO.ORG>; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez (District4@RIVCO.ORG) <District4@RIVCO.ORG>; District2 <District2@Rivco.org>; District3 <District3@Rivco.org>; District5 <District5@Rivco.org>; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org) <district1@rivco.org>

**Subject:** July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment on Policing (Elizabeth Miller)

Greetings,

Forwarding a Public Comment received via COB email for July 14, 2020 BOS Item No 3.21.

This is filed with Agenda back-up.

With best regards for your safety and well-being,

*Sue Maxwell*

Board Assistant

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**From:** Elizabeth Miller <[elizabeth0marie@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth0marie@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 10:56 AM

**To:** COB <[COB@RIVCO.ORG](mailto:COB@RIVCO.ORG)>

**Subject:** funding for police

I wanted to comment on the issue of raising funding for police to hire social workers. I think this is a good step forward but not the right step. Instead of giving funding to the police department, put funding into programs that work with the police department to do the same thing.

I don't trust giving more funding to the police department as I don't feel that they will use it correctly and put enough effort into picking the right people and getting enough training on the force to handle these situations.

I noticed it was mentioned to use this especially with homeless. Many people with mental illness/disabilities are homeless because they need help or care and do not have the ability to make it on their own. Instead of putting the funding into the police force to arrest these people and shove them into a mental institution (another form of incarceration in some cases), there should be funding into programs to give these people mental health care, medication substance abuse help and maybe even develop halfway homes. In these halfway homes, they can get the care they need to live as normal a life as they can.

There are so many other routes to take instead of giving more funding to a department that is already over funded and under trained.

~Elizabeth Miller

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**From:** COB

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 8:20 AM

**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG) <GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG>; Young, Alisa <AYoung@RIVCO.ORG>; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez (District4@RIVCO.ORG) <District4@RIVCO.ORG>; District2 <District2@Rivco.org>; District3 <District3@Rivco.org>; District5 <District5@Rivco.org>; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org) <district1@rivco.org>

**Subject:** July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment – Policing

Good morning,

Forwarding a Public Comment received via COB email for July 14, 2020 BOS Item No 3.21.

This is filed with Agenda back-up.

With best regards for your safety and well-being,

*Sue Maxwell*

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**From:** Olivia Grace Gleason <OGleason7347@scrippscollege.edu>

**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 3:16 PM

**To:** COB <COB@RIVCO.ORG>

**Subject:** Public Comment- Oppose Agenda Item 3.21

Hello,

I write to you as a resident of LA County that is extremely concerned about incarceration and policing in Riverside County. The time is past for cosmetic solutions that we know are not going to lead to substantive change. People's lives, safety, and well-being are not worth it. I urge our county leadership to take a real stance on oversight of the Sheriff's and investigations of all deadly force incidents by directing future funding to the Civilian Oversight Commission. Riverside Sheriff's use deadly force on Black people nearly 2x more than whites. Providing more funding to an already inflated Sheriff's budget and creating yet another task force is not how we create systemic change. I ask the County to vote no on agenda item 3.21. Riverside County can do better, please use your power for good and oppose this agenda item.

Thank you for your time,  
Olivia Gleason

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## Maxwell, Sue

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**From:** Diana Jimenez <amparo95jimenez@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:17 AM  
**To:** District2; District3; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; District5; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District; COB  
**Subject:** Public comment Agenda Item 3.21

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Good morning Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to vote no on Agenda Item 3.21, and instead redirect funding to the existing Civilian Oversight Committee. As a constituent of Riverside county I am alarmed that a new task force of Sheriff employees and peers is being considered for funding when there is an existing oversight committee that should be receiving adequate funding.

Residents deserve to see accountability from an impartial body rather than Sheriff deputies, staff and law enforcement peers head this proposed task force.

Please vote no on Agenda Item 3.21, please help oversight processes be transparent and impartial.

Thank you,  
Diana Jimenez  
Riverside County resident, 92501

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Diana Amparo Jiménez  
University of Southern California, Class of 2017

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## Maxwell, Sue

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**From:** Maribel Nunez <maribel@inlandequitypartnership.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 14, 2020 9:53 AM  
**To:** Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District; District2; Christensen, Karen; Rose, Debbie; Bugtai, Wendell; District3; DeArmond, Michelle; Balderrama, Olivia; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; Hernandez, Steven; Hernandez, Shayra R; District5; Shannon, Boomer; Cline, Katrina; Federico, Brooke; Rodriguez, Sarah; COB  
**Subject:** Public comments: 7/14/20 meeting: oppose Agenda Item 3.21 policy calendar

Hello Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
OPPOSE Agenda Item 3.21

This is Maribel Nunez from Inland Equity Partnership (formerly, California Partnership) and as a Riverside County District 2 constituent, I urge our county board of supervisors to help to create an oversight of the Sheriff's that is not run by the sheriff's department. With an oversight committee the goal would be to do investigations of all deadly force incidents by directing future funding to the Civilian Oversight Commission. Riverside Sheriff's use deadly force on Black and Brown people nearly 2x more than whites. Currently 60% of discretionary funding is used for the Sheriff's budget and creating yet another task force is not how we create systemic change. I ask the County to vote no on agenda item 3.21.

Best,  
Maribel Nunez  
Riverside County Board of Supervisors District 2 (Karen Spiegl), Resident

## Maxwell, Sue

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**From:** Maxwell, Sue  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 4:29 PM  
**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG); Young, Alisa; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez (District4@RIVCO.ORG); District2; District3; District5; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org)  
**Subject:** July 14 2020 Agenda Item 3.21 Public Comment (Lisa Mariano)

Greetings,

Forwarding for your review, related to July 14, 2020 Item No 3.21.

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With best regards,

*Sue Maxwell*

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**From:** Lisa Mariano <marianolisa@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 12, 2020 1:38 PM  
**To:** COB <COB@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Subject:** Public Comment - Oppose Agenda Item 3.21

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I urge our county leadership to take a real stance on oversight of the Sheriff's and investigations of all deadly force incidents by directing future funding to the Civilian Oversight Commission. Riverside Sheriff's use deadly force on Black people nearly 2x more than whites. Providing more funding to an already inflated Sheriff's budget and creating yet another task force is not how we create systemic change. I ask the County to vote no on agenda item 3.21. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,  
Lisa Mariano-Grise  
(415) 516-8476  
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**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG); Young, Alisa; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; District2; District3; District5; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org)  
**Subject:** Update (attachment): July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment (via COB Web Comment) on Policing (Jose Munoz)  
**Attachments:** Bianco-favorite-tweets\_Jose Munoz Web Attachment.pdf

Please see Mr. Munoz's attached pdf submitted with his web comment below.

Thank you kindly,

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**From:** Maxwell, Sue  
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**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG) <GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG>; Young, Alisa <AYoung@RIVCO.ORG>; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez (District4@RIVCO.ORG) <District4@RIVCO.ORG>; District2 <District2@Rivco.org>; District3 <District3@Rivco.org>; District5 <District5@Rivco.org>; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org) <district1@rivco.org>  
**Subject:** July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment (via COB Web Comment) on Policing (Jose Munoz)

Good morning,

The information below was retrieved from the COB web comments for your review:

July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Received via COB web Comment 07/12/2020 from Jose Munoz [004613959@coyote.csusb.edu](mailto:004613959@coyote.csusb.edu)

I am strongly against any police officer being involved in a police oversight committee. You are putting police, in charge of investigating themselves. Is a sheriff/coroner not enough conflict of interest already? Their department has proven time and time again they cannot even follow their own rules. On July 1st, a man with the Waffen S's on his clothing assaulted protesters in front of an officer. According to the Sheriff Operations Handbook, or as Chad Bianco said, the RSO bible, Section 100.4 Subsection E. Government Code Section 26601- Duty to Arrest. Arrest and take before the nearest magistrate for examination all persons who attempt to commit, or who have committed a public offense." No arrest were made, despite it occurring in front of the officer. You want an organization that lets Nazi's, one of America's few sworn enemies, assault Americans exercising their 1st amendment rights, to police themselves. Also, Chad Bianco's twitter account has extreme right wing and racially targeted tweets in the Favorited section. This goes against 102.2, 1030.2 , 1030.4, 1030.4.1, of the Sheriff's handbook "I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all" and "Public employees occupy a trusted position in the community, and thus, their statements have the potential to contravene the policies and performance of this department." The tweets also support Donald Trump, which again, goes against his own rules. Bianco's Favorited tweets and fox news appearance go against all of these rules, including language that endangers other sheriff deputies. On the RSO Instagram, he is seen interacting with no face mask with both officers and civilians. This endangers officers and civilians. Chad, which, according to his last appearance with the Board of Directors, went over the rules himself when first elected, cannot follow rules he made. He cannot follow the rules he approved, yet you want to trust him with oversight on police misconduct. He is a reactionary, and he is not a constitutional scholar and most importantly, a danger to our county. Reactionary views have no space in our town. By allowing Bianco to remain coroner, by allowing him or any sheriff to be apart of sheriff oversight, you will be giving the fox the whole farm, not just the hen house.

*Sue Maxwell*

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Tweets Tweets & replies Media Likes

**Dana Loesch** @DLoesch · 2d  
White progressive wants a national boycott of Hispanic-owned company because the owner likes a politician that the white male progressive doesn't — this is what white privilege looks like. #goya

615 5,473 18K

Show this thread

**Candace Owens** @RealCandac... · 4d  
White liberals hate black conservatives because we don't see ourselves as oppressed.

Fundamentally, because we view ourselves as their equals.

That's the issue.

4,886 38.9K 140K

**JAY CEE** @JAYCEECHIEK · 7/4/20  
I lost a friend for supporting Donald Trump . I wasn't even given a chance to give reasons why .

12K 9,364 45.7K

**Senator Melissa Melendez** · 7/4/20  
Today,

show your pride in our magnificent country and all that it has done for us

Tweets Tweets & replies Media Likes



Leticia Juarez

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**Kira** @RealKiraDavis · 6/3/20  
My son is protesting for black lives today by going to work so he can pay his way through college. He won't get a headline at CNN or be praised as a hero activist, but to me he is an extraordinary example of what a young black man should be. I'm proud to be his mother.

3,609 24.8K 135K

**Melody Hendrickson** @MHe... · 5/29/20  
First night back at our favorite sushi place. Grateful to dine out again and feel a little normal.



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**To:** George Johnson (GAJohnson@RIVCO.ORG); Young, Alisa; District 4 Supervisor V. Manuel Perez; District2; District3; District5; Supervisor Jeffries - 1st District (district1@rivco.org)  
**Subject:** July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment- Oppose (Nanette Pratini) - Correct Item No 3.21

Greetings,

Forwarding email received via COB opposing July 14, 2020 Item No.3.21.

Sincerely,

*Sue Maxwell*

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**Subject:** Public Comment- Oppose Agenda Item 3.21

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**From:** Maxwell, Sue  
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**Subject:** July 13 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment (Emily Miranda)

Good afternoon,

Forwarding an email received via COB for July 14, 2020 Item No. 3.21.

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Thank you kindly,

### *Sue Maxwell*

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**From:** Emily Miranda <mirandaemily61@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 13, 2020 8:48 AM  
**To:** COB <COB@RIVCO.ORG>  
**Subject:** Public Comment- Oppose Agenda Item 3.21

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# ARCCOPS



Association of *Riverside County* Chiefs of *Police* and *Sheriff*

July 7, 2020

The Honorable Board of Supervisors,  
City Councilmembers of Riverside County  
Residents and visitors of Riverside County  
County of Riverside  
4080 Lemon Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

**RE:** Evidence Based Principled Policing

Dear Supervisors, Councilmembers, residents, and visitors,

The purpose of this letter is to address the concerns and public sentiment regarding police use-of-force and tactics in Riverside County. The intent is to educate you as to our progressive stance and reforms undertaken in previous decades, and current changes in California and Riverside County Police policies that reflect our society's desire for contemporary policing.

Our association consists of a group of law enforcement professionals who proactively incorporate best practices before such practices are demanded of us following a crisis. We have been and will continue to be a leader in each of the areas listed below. We continually review our operations and tactics to improve our capabilities, enhance public trust, and align ourselves with national best practices.

## **Policing Concerns**

Recent social justice campaigns have prompted the California State Attorney General to propose recommended reforms for all law enforcement agencies in California. The following are the reforms to which all participating ARCCOPS agencies have already committed or will commit to enacting.

## **Choke Holds**

Our agencies do not permit nor train for the use of choke holds. Each of our agencies have implemented policies banning the use of choke holds and have either eliminated completely or significantly limited the use of carotid restraint.

Carotid restraint holds have been used to effectively control violent individuals where, if not used, more lethal force options would have been deployed. It is designed not to impede the airway, but to control blood flow through the carotid arteries located on each

## **Exhaust All Other Options Before Shooting**

The California State Attorney General summarizes this as follows: *“consistent with the core concepts of de-escalation, necessity, and proportionality, all agencies should require that deadly force be used only as a last resort when feasible alternatives have been exhausted or are not feasible to protect the safety of the public and police officers.”*

AB 392 and SB 230, signed into law in 2019, substantially changed the language of 835a PC. California Police Officers can now use deadly force “only when necessary in defense of human life”. The record of that legislation reflects our legislators’ consideration of the exact language of “exhaust all other means”, but that language was found to be legally and practically problematic.

Each of our agencies have received extensive training in the use of these options and we are all fully compliant with the Attorney General’s recommendation.

## **Duty to Intervene**

Each of our agencies have existing policies requiring officers to intervene and stop excessive force used by other officers. We also require documentation of use-of-force and reporting instances to supervision.

SB 230 codified our practices into law and articulates the “requirement that an officer intercede when present and observing another officer using force that is clearly beyond that which is necessary, as determined by an objectively reasonable officer under the circumstances.” This provision is consistent with federal law as well.

## **Ban Shooting at Moving Vehicles**

The California State Attorney General summarizes this type of shooting as follows: *“all agencies should prohibit officers from discharging a firearm at the operator or occupant of a moving vehicle unless the operator or occupant poses an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury to the public or an officer. All agencies should also prohibit officers from discharging a firearm from their moving vehicle, providing only for exceptions that require such actions to end an imminent threat to human life.”*

Law enforcement policies in Riverside County mirror the Attorney General’s recommendations. We do not allow shooting at moving vehicles unless it is done for the purpose of the protection of life. Outright prohibitions in all circumstances does not account for situations where the driver of a vehicle may be threatening death or great bodily injury to others, such as in vehicle-borne attacks.

## **Require Use-of-Force Continuum**

The California State Attorney General summarizes a use-of-force continuum as follows: *“All agencies should provide express guidance on proportionality to ensure officers*



are available. ARCCOPS recognizes the need for the delivery of mental health services 24/7 and urges the expansion of this more compassionate and progressive model.

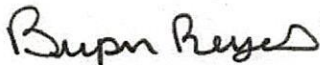
Unfortunately, ARCCOPS members are all-too familiar with the dangers of contacting potentially violent and mentally challenged individuals while they are in crisis. Asking unarmed mental health professionals to tackle this task without a law enforcement partner by their side ignores the threat to their safety **and to the safety of the public.**

### **Final Comments**

ARCCOPS members are committed to delivering evidenced based principled policing in a manner that enhances public trust. Our association consists of a group of law enforcement professionals who proactively incorporate best practices by leading agencies committed to continuous improvement.

We encourage you to learn more about how California law enforcement training, professionalism, and standards far surpass most other states, and we further encourage you to learn more about the agency that serves your community. Each of our members will share their agency's successes and challenges in a forthright and constructive manner. We look forward to the conversation.

Sincerely,



BRYAN REYES  
President, A.R.C.C.O.P.S.  
Chief of Police  
Palm Springs Police Department

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**Subject:** July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Public Comment (via COB Web Comment) on Policing (Bryan Reyes)  
**Attachments:** ARCCOPS-Letter-Evidence-Based-Principled-Policing-2020-1\_Bryan Reyes Web Attachment.pdf

Good morning,

The information below and attached was retrieved from the COB web comments for your review:

**July 14 2020 Item No 3.21 Received via COB web Comment 07/13/2020 from Bryan Reyes [bryan.reyes@palmspringsca.gov](mailto:bryan.reyes@palmspringsca.gov) , who will be calling in for the BOS Public Hearing today from (760) 218-6541.**

As the President of all Riverside County Chief's of Police and Sheriff's Association (ARCCOPS) I would like to speak on behalf of our organization in support of Agenda Item 3.21

This will be filed with Agenda back-up.

Thank you kindly,

***Sue Maxwell***

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