

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: margaret stella <maggie2990@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:12 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Margaret Stella. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,

Margaret Stella

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Brady Wheeler <bradymwheeler@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:12 PM
To: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Increases to the BPD Budget in FY21

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Good afternoon Councilwoman Clarke, Ms. Currin and Mayor Young,

My name is Brady Wheeler and I am a Charles Village resident living in 21218. In the midst of this pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it feels more inappropriate than ever to propose increases to the BPD budget from \$530 Million to \$545 million. I am writing this testimony to be included on the record in the upcoming budget hearings and to urge you to vote against these increases, ethically reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divesting interest in the BPD, and instead invest in social services and education programs, effective at the beginning of FY 2021.

Investment in programs focused on community support and empowerment such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health, shows our commitment to communities and the vision that all Baltimore residents deserve to thrive.

Historically, the city government has spent far more on police than on public health, homeless services, youth services, and other vital agencies.

It's time to defund the BPD's harmful expansion into homeless services, schools, youth services, mental health, and other social services where police don't belong.

It's time to protect investments in human services, the social safety net, and racial and economic justice. I am asking that city officials lobby intense care, attention and effort towards finding sustainable, longterm change.

Thank you,

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Brady Wheeler

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I've also attached the above statement as a PDF.

Please let me know if you require anything further.

Thank you.

Mike

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Michael Coco
(914) 419-5058
mcoco19@gmail.com

On Thu, Jun 4, 2020 at 2:22 PM Currin, Marguerite (City Council) <Marguerite.Currin@baltimorecity.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr. Coco:

The public can visit the Baltimore City Council website and review the schedule for each budget hearing date; June 8th thru June 12th next week (each day). Once you click on a given date it will give you instructions on how to call in to the hearing. However, I don't believe public testimony will be received by the committee. The City Council just recently held a meeting called "Taxpayers' Night," on May 27, 2020 which set-a-side time to hear from the public for any concerns they had regarding Fiscal Year 2021 upcoming budget.

If you would like to send me written testimony I will make sure the committee/council members receive it as well as place a copy on file. Call me at 443-984-3485 if additional information is needed. Thank you.

From: Costello, Eric (City Council) <Eric.Costello@baltimorecity.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 12:29 PM
To: Mike Coco <mcoco19@gmail.com>
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council) <Marguerite.Currin@baltimorecity.gov>
Subject: RE: City Council budget hearings

Marguerite, please see question below. -EC

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Mike Coco <mcoco19@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:09 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Re: FW: City Council budget hearings
Attachments: GBDSA Testimony 6-5-20.pdf

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Hi Marguerite,

I'm sending the below message on behalf of the Greater Baltimore Democratic Socialists of America - Steering Committee. Please provide the following to city council members as well as place a copy on file:

The Greater Baltimore Democratic Socialists of America - Steering Committee call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These resources should be transferred to other crucial social services, including the development of a community-controlled institute for conflict de-escalation, intervention and mental health support.

The proposed General Fund includes over \$500 Million to the Baltimore Police Department. This far exceeds the combined general funding to Housing and Community Development, Office of Employment Development, Office of Equity and Civil Rights, Homeless Services, Recreation & Parks, Art & Culture and the Health Department.

Is the perceived lack of alternatives the reason why the Baltimore Police Department budget continues to grow? Has the decades-long stripping of necessary social infrastructure and services forced our neighbors into a position where they are left with no choice but to call an oppressive institution that routinely terrorizes them?

You cannot have sustained mass poverty and racial injustice without an oppressive force. This is the institutional role of the police.

Sensitivity training, increased police force diversity and enhanced accountability are all important short-term reforms, but they will not suffice when this institutional function remains intact. Community policing, another often discussed reform only expands police power, it does not empower our communities. We need the police to stop intervening. We need alternatives to police.

We call on the City Council to take a bolder stand on policing and social services. Cities all over the country have chosen the systematic defunding of social services and strengthening of police forces, actions which have directly influenced the current atmosphere of violence and mistrust across the nation. Baltimore does not have to continue this unfortunate trend. Instead, it should address the root cause of poverty, crime and violence. We call for our officials to listen to the countless community members and organizations demanding community-oriented programs and departments. We need solutions that allow Baltimore City residents an opportunity to thrive, not merely survive.

That starts with defunding the police.

Eric T. Costello

Baltimore City Council, 11th District

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From: Mike Coco <mcoco19@gmail.com>
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To: Costello, Eric (City Council) <Eric.Costello@baltimorecity.gov>
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Hi Councilman Costello,

Where can I find information regarding how to make public comments during next week's budget hearings?

Thanks,

Mike

Michael Coco
(914) 419-5058

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: A H <ajh427@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:13 PM
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Amelia Hood; I live in Harwood— Councilman Stokes' district. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to divest interest in the BPD for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. It's past time that we focus on these proven strategies.

Best,

Amelia Hood
336 E 27th Street

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Marshall, Monique (City Council)
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:14 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Ham, Sheena (City Council)
Subject: Budget Hearing 6/8/20

Good afternoon Marguerite,

I hope all is well with you and your family. Councilman Pinkett has been invited to sit on a panel in Lanham on Monday from 11-12 and it was marketed prior to the hearing schedule, Can his absence be excused from 10-12:30? Also, Does he need to be present at City Hall during any of the hearings? If so, please let me know which time slots are available.

Thank you,

Monique N. Marshall
Chief of Staff
Office of Councilman Leon Pinkett III
7th District Baltimore City Council
Monique.Marshall@baltimorecity.gov

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Pinkett III

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From: michelleleezimmerman@gmail.com
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Michelle Zimmerman, I am a city resident and teacher for Baltimore City Public Schools. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Michelle Zimmerman

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jilene Chua <jilenec@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:19 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Jilene Chua. Please change your budget to serve the community. For FY 2021, spend less on the police and more on programs that will create joy and solidarity within the community.

Invest in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health. All these programs will improve public health and safety. Not the police Please do not waste your money on violence.

Best,

Jilene Chua

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Best,

Jilene Chua

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ali Post <ali.rose.post@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:21 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council);
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maggie.mcintosh@house.state.md.us; curt.anderson@house.state.md.us;
regina.boyce@house.state.md.us
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Dear Council Members, Senators, Delegates, and Baltimore Mayor Young,

My name is Ali Post. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Ali Post

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From: genofeve.d@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:22 PM
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Genevieve de Mahy. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

This city needs healing, love and investment in things that will help us become better for ourselves and each other. Let's stop living in FEAR and start living in LOVE.

Best,
Genevieve de Mahy

Sent from my iAlexanderGrahamBell

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jemal Cole <jemal@jemal.co>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:25 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is [YOUR FULL NAME]. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Jemal Cole

jemal@jemal.co

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jessica Xander -MDH- <jessica.xander@maryland.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:29 PM
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Dear Council Members, My name is Jessica Xander, a Baltimore City resident of 14 years. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,

Jessica Xander
5305 Hamlet Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21214

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Dear Mayor Young and City Council members,

My name is Ryan Syrell. I am a teacher and longtime resident of Baltimore City. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is **UTTERLY UNCONSCIONABLE** to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have an actual measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Will you be complicit in and accountable for the future actions of the Baltimore Police Department? Taking any action other than decreasing BPD funding will undoubtedly allow their murderous and violent actions to thrive. You are in the unique position to change the abusive course of history. There are Baltimore citizens alive now who will certainly be abused and killed by the Baltimore Police if you do not act.

Respectfully,
Ryan Syrell

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Stephen F. Nunns <stephennunns@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:34 PM
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Stephen Nunns. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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I would strongly suggest you look to the mayor Los Angeles' recent decision to cut that city's police department budget as a template for what could/should be done.

Best,

Stephen Nunns

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From: Ana Islas <aki001@bucknell.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:36 PM
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Ana K. Islas. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Ana

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Ana Islas
B.S. Chemistry
Bucknell University Class of 2020

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From: Emma Dougherty <edougherty1111@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:37 PM
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My name is Emma Dougherty. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Emma

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ben Kleymeyer <benjaminkleymeyer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:40 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Ben Kleymeyer. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Ben Kleymeyer

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: waldo.gillian@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:42 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Gillian Waldo. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Gillian Waldo

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Danielle Fauth <dfauth1@students.towson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:43 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Danielle Fauth. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Danielle Fauth

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ben Violette <violetteben@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:44 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Benjamin Violette. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Ben Violette

Curriu, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Laurence Ross <laurence.alec@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:44 PM
To: Curriu, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Laurence Ross and I am a resident of Baltimore, Maryland 21201. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Laurence Ross

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Minyoung Jang <mjang7@jhmi.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:46 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Minyoung Jang, and I am a first-year medical student at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Minyoung Jang

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Magnolia Laurie <magnolia_laurie@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:47 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Magnolia Laurie. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is questionable and inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. I hope Baltimore will strive to think progressively about how we can make progress as a city and a society.

Best,
Magnolia Laurie

Sent from my iPhone

I know that because of the way that the state has taken control of our cops, our transit, and our schools, the city council and the mayor's office are limited in what they can do to get these awful, expensive police under control, but something must be done. Because of the LEOBoR, our cops are not held accountable when they abuse the public trust. The records of their offenses are almost never made public. All of this has to change.

The world is watching.

My name is Jemaleddin Cole. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Jemal Cole

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jemal@jemal.co

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jemal Cole <jemal@jemal.co>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:47 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

[sorry for a previous erroneous email]

Below is a form letter that I agree with 100% - but I feel like it needs some context. I, like many people, was shocked to find out that the LAPD budget is \$1.8bn - but most were shocked that it's so high, when it seems low to me as a Baltimore resident (District 4 - gonna miss Bill Henry!). The fact that a city over six times larger than Baltimore is spending only three times as much on policing is shocking to me. I don't have the numbers handy, but our per-capita spending on cops is astronomic compared to other large cities.

Every time I talk to somebody from BPD they make a point of saying that they're under-staffed, but we have 54 police for every 10,000 residents, one of the highest ratios in the country, and more than twice the average for a city our size.

So we're spending at least twice as much per capita as LA does, and we have more than twice as many officers as the average. Our cops are overpaid and over-staffed especially when you compare results. BPD uses their enormous staff and budget to do a terrible job of closing cases. Why are we paying so much for so little?

On top of that, we the taxpayers are responsible for the millions of dollars paid out to victims of BPD brutality and malfeasance. When I was mugged a few years by some kids who appear to have been in a gang set up in my neighborhood by former Officer Gondo of the GTTF. The officer who came to Good Samaritan to take a statement was Ethan Newberg - who is now behind bars as well. He earned \$260,000 (!!) in 2019 when he was indicted on 32 counts of assault and false imprisonment.

(Naturally no arrests were made because dirty cops stick together.)

Meanwhile bad cops who assault our fellow Baltimoreans remain on the force, costing us a fortune while they neither prevent not solve crimes. We need a change.

Meanwhile we have never made progress on the steps outlined in the DOJ consent decree - the one that labeled BPD the most racist police force they had ever investigated. If our current police commissioner and the rank and file cannot even do that, I question why they are allowed to continue to exist.

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Todd, Maureen E. <mtodd@towson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:50 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Maureen Todd. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Maureen Todd

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: elena bonilla <elena.maria7074@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:51 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is [YOUR FULL NAME]. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

-Elena B

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: cameronprice204@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Cameron Mulligan Price. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best, Cameron

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Cara Sands <csands1@students.towson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Cara Amanda Sands. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Cara Sands

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Sienna Kwami <siennakwami@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:52 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Henry, Bill (email); City Council President; McCray, Danielle (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Cohen, Zeke (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young, My name is Sienna Kwami. I am a constituent of Baltimore City. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, there can be NO increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. We must end the legacy of police violence in this city. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Sienna Kwami

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Sienna Kwami

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*Pronouns: they/she**

**use of she pronouns is only allowed by other black women*

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Maria <maria725@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:53 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Maria Anagnostou. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Maria

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Alyssa Thomas <alyssaethom@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:53 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Alyssa. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Alyssa T.

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Megan Koeppel <mkoeppe@mica.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:55 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Megan Koeppel. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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All the best,
Megan

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Tayyab Maqsood <tmaqsood@mica.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:57 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is [Tayyab Maqsood]. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Marta Zoellner <mezoellner@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:59 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Marta Zoellner. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Thank you,
Marta Zoellner

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Meeseun Kwoun <meeseun@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:00 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Meeseun. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Meeseun

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Alex <tazergirl@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:02 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Alexandra Bowen. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Alexandra Bowen

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Maeve McGillicuddy <mvmcgillicuddy@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:05 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Maeve McGillicuddy. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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The world is watching ,

Maeve McGillicuddy

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Emma Roalsvig <emmaroalsvig@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:14 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Emma Roalsvig. I am a graduate student living in Baltimore.

In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Emma

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Devecka, Rachael <radevecka@davidson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:07 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Proposed Baltimore Budget

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Hi,

My name is Rachael Devecka and I'm emailing you to submit testimony to the city council about the proposed city budget. Considering the recent court findings about the Gun Control Task Force and then 2016 Justice Department report about the state of Baltimore policing, I have very strong concerns about funding the police so heavily. I absolutely oppose increasing the police department budget at all, and I do so especially when that increase comes at the expense of community programs. Youth services, affordable housing, and homelessness prevention are all preventative forms of crime fighting that uplift communities socially as well as economically. A staggering 22 percent of all students enrolled in Baltimore city public schools spent at least one night homeless in 2018 (most of these more) according to government statistics—these are the people the budget should expand for. I oppose spending more on policing than education. I oppose spending more on policing than healthcare—especially as we run the risk of a second wave of the COVID-19 pandemic which primarily impacts people of color and vulnerable neighborhoods. Rather than investing in the police department, which already uses half a billion dollars and 25% of the budget, put this money towards programs that enrich the lives of citizens, rather than terrorizing them!

Sincerely,
Rachael

Curriu, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Maya Muñoz <mayapamela@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:08 PM
To: Curriu, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Stokes, Robert (City Council)
Subject: reallocation of funds for policing in FY21

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Dear Marguerite Curriu, Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilperson Robert Stokes,

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Now, more than ever, is the time to think about real, results-driven reforms to community safety and public health.

Sincerely,

Maya

Maya Muñoz

Pronouns: she/her/hers

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Amir Ali <aamatulali@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:08 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Amir Ali. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Amir Ali

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Haniel Wides <ha.wides@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:09 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young, My name is Hannah Wides. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. Best,
Baltimore City tax payer and resident
Hannah Wides

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Alex <alexandrallynn@snet.net>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:07 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

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Best,
Alexandra Damron

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Lizzy Greif <lizzygreif@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:11 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Elizabeth Greif. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Elizabeth

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Dara Murray <dara.l.murray@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Bernard C Jack Young; City Council President; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council)
Subject: Proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget

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- Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,

Dara Murray

1013 W 38th St
Baltimore, MD 21211

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Dara Murray, MPP
Program Evaluation & Continuous Improvement for Nonprofits & Foundations
908-839-7057

LinkedIn

"If you don't like the way the world is, change it. You have an obligation to change it. You just do it one step at a time." - Marian Wright Edelman

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nicole Zylstra <nicole.zylstra@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:33 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Proposed budget

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Ms. Currin and Mr. Costello,

I hope this finds you well. I live and work in Baltimore City, and am concerned about Mayor Young's proposed budget. As a social worker, I find it very disheartening that the budget allocates \$509,250,161 for police and less than \$50,000 each for housing and community development, health, homeless services, and employment development. Imagine how much our city could flourish if we invested in the people of Baltimore instead of law enforcement. Please restructure the budget in a more balanced manner.

Thank you,

Nicole M. Zylstra Rivera, LCSW
900 Cathedral Street, Apt 505
Baltimore, MD 21201
515-890-9148

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Clarissa Chen <clarisuh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:32 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Best,
Clarissa Chen
District 11, 21201

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Clarissa Chen

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Clarissa Chen <clarisuh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:32 PM
To: Bernard C Jack Young
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Best,
Clarissa Chen
District 11, 21201

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Clarissa Chen

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: ein <kromenn@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:32 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Budget comments

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Hello,

I'm emailing to express my horror at the massive misallocation of funds to the BPD. If we care about our citizens, we should be investing that money in public programs that help them and improve city life. Instead we are donating it to overtime thieves, domestic abusers, and credentialed criminals. The majority of BPD officers are corrupt, violent, petty, self-interested, self-aggrandising, aggressive men who should never have been allowed access to a firearm, let alone permission to wield it against city residents. The entire force needs to be culled - thanks to the LEOBR that it an effective impossibility for our city government. What you DO have the power to do is stop letting them extort our public funds. Please reallocate this money to our rec centers, youth programs, housing, parks, etc. We deserve much better than what we get from BPD.

Thanks,
Erin Schoeneman
2447 N Calvert Apt B
Baltimore MD 21218

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Gabrielle Elkaim <gelkaim@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:17 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Stokes, Robert (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Dear Marguerite Currin, Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilperson,

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I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Elkaim

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Courtney Morgan <cmorgan.arch@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:17 PM
To: Cohen, Zeke (City Council)
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Sincerely,

Courtney Morgan

Ryan Dorsey

Council President Brandon M. Scott

Councilmember Zeke Cohen

Councilwoman Danielle McCray

Friends of Bill Henry

Councilman Isaac Yitzy Schleifer

Councilwoman Sharon Green Middleton

Councilman Leon F. Pinkett, III

Councilmember Kristerfer Burnett

Councilwoman Shannon Sneed

Councilman John Bullock

Councilman Eric T. Costello

Mary Pat Clarke

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Virginia Peters <vpetersdesign@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:18 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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To: marguerite.currin@baltimorecity.gov

CC: councilpresident@baltimorecity.gov, marypatclarke@baltimorecity.gov

Dear Marguerite Currin, Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke,

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Sincerely,

Virginia Peters-Rodbell

Designer / Connector

(410) 598-1639

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Erin Magnino <epmagnino@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:36 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget

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Hello,

As a Baltimore city resident, I am against the major increases for police funding. Funds should not be cut from Youth and Trauma Services, Chronic Disease Prevention, Affordable Housing, Homeless Prevention+Support Services for the Homeless, Outreach to the Homeless, Parks, Events Art Culture and Films, and more. Baltimore should be funding communities, not the police.

Thank you,
Erin
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Erin Magnino
epmagnino@gmail.com
P: (301)-312-7313

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Carson Korman <cjkorman@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:35 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Advocating for a sensible, responsive budget.

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To whom it may concern,

I was extremely disheartened to hear about the proposed budget increase to the BPD in FY21. As a former Baltimore City Public School teacher who witnessed the inaction and caustic presence of the BPD in city schools I feel it is another misstep of our Baltimore City leadership to continually provide more financial resources to an organization that has repeatedly be found guilty of overtime fraud, murder of unarmed citizens, unreasonable uses of force and violence. We need common sense budgeting that focuses on repairing the structures that actually help and support our beautiful city and population.

Defund the police.

Send that capital to functions that help people, and have more supportive reach in our communities. Education, civil rights, development, mental health and public health. This should be common sense.

If fewer of us are struggling to get by then violence, theft and even substance abuse can be addressed. I can't fathom how giving more money to the police could solve any of these issues.

This city's government is broken. I've known it since I was a child, I saw it during legislation that closed branches of the libraries, defunded neighborhood initiatives and bullied poor people of color out of thier neighborhoods. I witnessed it all before leaving high school.

As an educator I was put under a microscope for "budget reasons", which lead to my leaving the city school system. And yet police officers are able to get away with hundreds of thousands of dollars in "overtime work". I worked 70+ hours a week to give my students the attention and instruction they deserved, and barely made more than \$50,000 on my highest paid year. What kind of value system is that? But this is not about me. This is about our future.

I write this with hope and I write this with anger and sadness.

We are a city that has seen the worst of institutional racism in America. Spending in this matter is an affront to the good people that have been abused by this city, and yet still spend their lives trying to make it better.

--

Carson Korman

In dealing with others, be gentle and kind,
In speech, be true,
In ruling, be just,
In daily life, be competent,
In action, be aware of the time and the season

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Franklin Hughes <fcharleshughes@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Bernard C Jack Young; City Council President; Reisinger, Edward (City Council)
Subject: Proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget

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Dear Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilman Edward Reisinger & Mayor Bernard C. Young,

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I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,
Franklin Hughes

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Bess Zafran <besszafran@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:31 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Testimony re: Budget hearing

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Dear Council President Scott and Councilwoman Clarke,

I am a resident of Baltimore city living in Hampden writing to urge you to immediately find a way to cut the city budget for police. I know that the City Council has limited power in this regard but this is an urgent issue which is long overdue.

I am quite sure that there will be ways to reduce the police budget while at the same time adhering to the consent decree provisions. Where there is a will, there is a way. As people learn that over half of the city's budget is spent on police, there will be an increasing call for defunding police -- as I am hearing around the country.

I understand that many people have called for MORE, not less, policing over the years (including some of my neighbors) but we have not been able to transform our city by doing this. It is time to invest in people, not police. We need your voices speaking about this, educating residents and doing whatever is within your power to move us in a better direction.

Sincerely,
Bess Zafran

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Maria Smaldone <mtsmaldone22@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:30 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

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Hello Ms. Currin,

My name is Maria, I am a social worker, and I am a resident of Bolton Hill. I am asking the Budget & Appropriations Committee in their upcoming meetings to solidify the budget for FY 2020-2021 to reallocate funds away from the Baltimore Police Department and towards youth services, child protection, behavioral health care, homeless services, the health department, and housing services. Over time and with the proper funding, these services will provide enough safety, support, and prevention to our communities to the point where the need for a large militarized police force (there was no need to begin with) will also be decreased, and therefore less funding will be needed to address violent crime.

I appreciate your time, and I hope you will consider how Baltimore can move to community-based safety models from of a police force rife with corruption and ineffectiveness.

Sincerely,

--

Maria Smaldone, MSW
she/her/hers
301-639-5417

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Coworking Wednesday <coworkingwednesday@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:29 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Re: Baltimore City Budget

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To whom it may concern,

My colleagues and I want to implore you that the Baltimore City budget cannot move forward as outlined. The amount set for the Baltimore City Police Department ensures that the citizens of Baltimore will continue to be in a police state, ensuring that the city is not dedicated to the thriving of Black Lives.

The success of Baltimore City citizens is dependent on where our budget invests, and the budget **must** prioritize economic opportunities, children, education, and healthcare. Invest in citizens first, rather than the control of citizens by police.

Thank you for your time,
The Coworkers
[@coworkingwednesday](mailto:coworkingwednesday@gmail.com)

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Dani Broderick <dmbroderick8@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:28 PM
To: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); danielle.mccray@blatimorecity.gov; City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Call to Reject 2020-21 BPD Budget

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Hello City Council Representatives,

As a resident of Baltimore city district 11, **I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department.** These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities. The proposed BPD FY21 budget is \$549,959,519. This is an increase of \$13,583,042 compared to FY20. The budget also calls for cuts to several departments that better serve the public, including:

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The proposed budget calls out that the mission of the Baltimore City Police Department is to **protect and preserve life and property, to understand and serve the needs of the City's neighborhoods; and to improve the quality of life by maintaining order, recognizing and resolving community problems, and apprehending criminals.**

I simply ask that the city budgets reflect such a mission by canceling the BPD budget increase and allocate it to the above departments.

I have also contacted the mayor's office to request the reallocation of these funds.

Best,

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Hana Machover <hanamac34@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:21 PM
To: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021

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Dear Councilman/woman Costello,

My name is Hana Machover. I am a resident of Federal Hill, the 11th District, and I am emailing today to demand a cut of budgeted General Funds to the Baltimore City Police Department (BPD) for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021.

The recent murders of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor are only the televised instances of police brutality and gross abuse of power against the Black communities. These tragic events come 5 years after the murder of Freddie Gray at the hands of the BPD. As a result, I think it is clear that bloated police funding is a crux for discrimination at the hands of those who claim to protect and serve.

Living in a city where the majority (62.8% to be exact) of residents are Black, I do not support a Baltimore where revenue from residents' property and income taxes are funneled disproportionately to the BPD. Furthermore, I do not support a Baltimore where the BPD is allocated 182x the funding of our Civil Rights agency. On what would be the 27th birthday of Breonna Taylor, I am emailing to demand a cut of funding to the BPD.

I understand re-allocation is not the duty of City Council members, but I demand you exercise your right to cut this short-sighted allocation of funds to the BPD for the fiscal year ending in June 2021. Baltimore City needs reform, and it should come in the form of community efforts and organizations outside of the BPD police force.

Thank you,
Hana Machover

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jack Shock <jackshck@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:17 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Defund the BPD

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Hi Marguerite,

I've learned that the proposed Baltimore City FY21 budget includes an increase to police funding of \$13,583,042, bringing the BPD operating budget to over half a billion dollars. As a city resident, I object to this increase. That money should be redirected to vital social resources, such as health care, education, jobs, and recreation.

Thank you,
Jack Shock

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: kelci Tillman <hello@kelcitillman.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform!

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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Kelci Tillman. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,

Kelci Tillman

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ilana Cramer <ilanamcramer@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,

Ilana Cramer

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: James Cole Abrams <jcoleabrams@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:44 PM
To: Bernard C Jack Young; City Council President; Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council)
Subject: Police Budget

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Dear Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young, Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilwoman Sharon Middleton,

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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Sincerely,

James

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James Cole Abrams, MA, LCPC, LAC
631 Deepdene Rd.
Baltimore, MD, 21210
www.jamescoleabrams.com
410-299-1962

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Kirsten Labbe <kdlabbe@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 12:37 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: BPD Budget increase

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Good afternoon Ms. Currin,

I recently was made aware that the powers that be in Baltimore City are working to INCREASE the Baltimore City Police Department budget in favor of defunding social programs.

I BEG and IMPLORE you as a constituent and tax payer of this city to relay the disapproval of this effort.

There is little need at this point to underscore the strained relationship between the police in this city and communities of color in this city and country at large. Rather than continue to dump hard earned tax money to an organization which would sooner increase spending toward paramilitarization and hiring of woefully underqualified and disconnected officers, the city should be turning it's resources to social organizations which exist to combat the very root of "crime;" it should be self-evident at the juncture that there is a causative relationship between economic, educational, political and social disenfranchisement and crime. We do not need more officers who fundamentally lack the understanding of this fact of life or resources/internal support to respond to it appropriately.

I urge you strongly request and encourage you to please visit the following link posted by thelink.org to share with your colleagues the power that such public safety measures could offer countless citizens of all ethnicities. This is where we want our tax dollars to go:

https://www.instagram.com/p/CA-wSGqg_Ym/?igshid=gkmn38flfd9e

Sincerely,
Kirsten Labbé
Constituent of District 3
21230

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Kirsten Labbé
617-417-3728

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: jonpoliszuk@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Jonathon Poliszuk. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, begin divesting interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Any funds going to police should serve to strengthen communication with the community they are sworn to serve.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Jon

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Marc Gallant <gallantmc@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Marc Gallant. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,

Marc Gallant

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Mary Shock <mshockbalt@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Mary Shock. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Mary Shock

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Emma Hill <ehill02@mica.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young and City Council Members,

My name is Emma Hill. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to or even maintain the bloated budget of the Baltimore Police Department. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs for specifically black low income parts of this city effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Emma Hill

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: James G <galdamezjames@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:21 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is James Galdamez.

In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget.

I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
James Galdamez

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Evan Drukker-Schardl <drukkerschardl@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:21 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Testimony -- Baltimore City FY21 Budget

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To the Members of the Budget and Appropriations Committee:

I wish to object to the FY21 Baltimore City budget proposal before City Council.

As usual, the budget includes massive expenditures on police (more than half a BILLION dollars) and measly allocations for Health, HCD, Homeless Services, etc. The administration wants to spend more than \$500 million on police, but only \$287 million on schools.

A budget is a moral document as much as a bureaucratic one. It dictates which things in society our government values, and which it does not. The budget proposal before you sends a very clear message: Baltimore City cares about arresting and incarcerating its residents more than it cares about educating, housing and employing them. What a shameful way to govern!

This funding disparity is particularly relevant today. As you no doubt are aware, Baltimore police used tear gas and rubber bullets earlier this week on peaceful protesters. They clothed themselves in riot gear, enlisted the use of National Guard vehicles, and proceeded to intimidate and arrest young people protesting police brutality. I hope the awful irony of this is not lost on the Council.

Knowing that City Council can only cut the city budget, I encourage you and your colleagues to propose serious reductions to BPD's budget. Possible areas for cuts include Executive Protection (new this year, under Service 621), Service 626: Data-Driven Strategies, and SWAT (under Service 816). I know that Commissioner Harrison has been pushing higher recruitment, but this is the same old misguided approach. Hiring more cops won't fix the City's problems. I urge you to also consider cuts to Service 635: Recruitment Section.

Barring the defunding of BPD, I urge you to vote "no" on the FY21 Baltimore City budget.

Sincerely,
Evan Drukker-Schardl

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Annemieke Ruina <mieke64@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:19 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Stokes, Robert (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Hello,

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

The proposed BPD FY21 Budget is \$549,959,519. This is an increase of \$13,583,042 compared to FY20. The Budget also calls for cuts to several departments that better serve the public, including:

- Affordable Housing (-\$3,535,819)
- Housing and Community Development (-\$227,023)
- Homeless Prevention and Support Services for the Homeless (-\$641,270)
- Outreach to the homeless (-\$1,971,541)
- Enoch Pratt Free Library (-\$350,000)
- Youth and Trauma Services (-\$10,749)
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- Chronic Disease Prevention (-\$252,906)
- Park programs and events (-\$122,912)
- Public right of way cleaning (-\$686,806)
- Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments. Please!

Sincerely,

Annemieke Ruina
1228 St Paul St Apt 3
Baltimore, MD 21202

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nicholas Petr <npetr797979@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:20 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Nicholas Petr. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Nick Petr
3008 Ellerslie Ave
Baltimore, MD 21218
Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Marissa Clayton <clam4@umbc.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:19 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: FY21 Budget

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Hello,

I noticed that the proposed FY21 budget plans to increase police funding of Baltimore Police Department. I think this is a poor decision given the trend of corruption and murder within BPD. It is especially astonishing when the city fails to fund other agencies such as: Housing and Community Development, Employment Development, Homeless Services, Recreation and Parks, Arts and Culture, Health, and Civil Rights. Increased policing does not solve issues of poverty, food deserts, and violence. Communities need economic support through these other agencies. BPD has blood on its hands and will continue to do so until funding is decreased and the police force is ultimately dismantled and replaced with an agency that actually focuses on public safety.

Thank you,
Marissa

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Heather Graham <hgraham1@umbc.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:20 PM
To: Bernard C Jack Young; City Council President; Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Police Budget

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Dear Mayor Bernard C. "Jack" Young, Council President Brandon M. Scott, Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke and Eric Costello,

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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- Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,
Heather Graham
Baltimore City Resident

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Kristen T <starheart3k@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:19 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Kristen Tapia. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Kristen Tapia

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Sarah Peterson <sarahpeterson105@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:18 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Testimony regarding 2021 budget proposal

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As a Baltimore resident, I am concerned that the proposed budget increase for the Baltimore City Police Department would be better used for city health initiatives and public schools. Considering this pandemic, I believe the city should be prioritizing the health and wellness of it's residents rather than policing.

Best,

Sarah Peterson

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Adele Fu <adelefu2006@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Dear Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilperson,

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,
Adele Fu

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Chloe Wack <chloewack@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Chloe Wack. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Chloe a Wack

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Amanda Paige <amandarubypaige@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 1:20 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Fwd: Divest from the BPD

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Please see my comments below.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Amanda Paige <amandarubypaige@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2020 at 1:17 PM
Subject: Re: Divest from the BPD
To: <Leon.Pinkett@baltimorecity.gov>, <CouncilPresident@baltimorecity.gov>

Dear sirs:

I was just told the following from an activist who called the council clerk's office:

"The clerk is going to stop taking comments at 4:30 today because she is getting inundated with duplicate copies of letters, over 200 copies of the same thing so far. So she is uploading copies to the councilpersons, putting them in file for the hearing and then deleting them because 'most are duplicates'.

"According to Ms. Currin the current stance is that residents had an opportunity to provide input at Tax Payer Night back in May and should have done so then."

We are in the midst of an unprecedented time. This is not the time to silence our voices. This is not how representative democracy is supposed to work. I request that you postpone the hearings given the level of public interest in adjusting the BPD budget.

Best,
Amanda R Paige

On Fri, Jun 5, 2020 at 1:10 PM Amanda Paige <amandarubypaige@gmail.com> wrote:
Council President Brandon M. Scott & Leon Pinkett:

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments. I also call on the council to implement extensive cuts to the BPD operating budget.

Sincerely,
Amanda R. Paige

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Brenda Price <brenda.lorraine.price@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:46 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Police Budget

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Ms Currin

In times of National unity calling for defunding the police, I notice that Baltimore is taking a different approach and is staged to increase funding by \$13.5 million. I urge you to postpone the hearing on the police budget so that we have a chance to participate in the process. Typically we are allowed and encouraged to submit testimony up until shortly before the hearing and I am appalled that is not the case here. I would rather see Baltimore Police lose funding for overtime and militarized gear and that money get reinvested in community programs, employing and training young people, funding housing projects, feeding and protecting everyone affected by Covid, and other programs that community leaders have been asking for. Now is the time to be a National Leader in progress and change, not in regression and oppression and becoming a historical embarrassment. So Please allow residents to have input on this matter, I assure you they will speak and their voices will be unified to defund the police.

Brenda Price
brenda.lorraine.price@gmail.com
443-307-1050

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nikki Hatch <nikkighatch@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:41 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is [YOUR FULL NAME]. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

With gratitude,
Nicole Noor, LMSW, L.Ac
Licensed Acupuncturist & Herbalist

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Aris Halkias <ahalkias21@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:41 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Argiris Halkias. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Argiris Halkias

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Priya Rajendran <prajendran88@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:42 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); City Council President; Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Proposed budget

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To Whom It May Concern:

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Sincerely,
Priya Rajendran

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: AJ Bhadai <ajbhadai@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:42 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Alexander Bhadai. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,

AJ

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Anna Haraseyko <a.haraseyko@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:41 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Don't increase BPD funding

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Council Clerk Marguerite Currin:

I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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Events Art Culture and Films (-\$442,488)

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,

Anna Haraseyko



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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: emilybusch@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:42 PM
To: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Do NOT Approve FY21 Police Budget Increase

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Esteemed members of the Baltimore City Council:

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In addition, I request that the 6/12 hearing on the police budget be postponed and/or the deadline for submitting testimony be extended so that more people can participate in this process. Usually citizens are given a deadline much closer to the hearing, and without a explanation the deadline for this particular issue was today, a week before the hearing. Please give all Baltimore citizens an equal opportunity to take recent events into account and voice their opinions specifically on the increasing police budget.

Sincerely,
Emily Busch
Baltimore City District 1 Resident

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nick Lehwald <lehwaldunlimited@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:40 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Upcoming Baltimore City Budget

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Sincerely,

Nicholas. Lehwald

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nabila Chami <nabilachami@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:39 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Proposal

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To whom it may concern;

I am a Baltimore City resident and I am writing to express my dissent regarding Mayor Youngs current funding allocations for the police department.

Funds are being cut from: Youth and Trauma Services, Chronic Disease Prevention, Affordable Housing, Homeless Prevention+Support Services for the Homeless, Outreach to the Homeless, Parks, Events Art Culture and Films & more, effectively taking support from our community directly to reinforce the police, which by far has the most funding allocation of any city department. This is not aligned with our city's values, and dangerous.

As a taxpayer and longtime city resident, I implore you to rethink this funding move. We need to lift up the community through social services, especially as we begin to rebound from a global pandemic.

Thank you for your time,
Nabila Chami

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Claire Knezevic <clairekn3@mac.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:39 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Written Testimony for Budget Hearing

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Hello Marguerite,

I would like to submit the testimony below for the upcoming 6/12 budget hearing. I am a Baltimore City resident, homeowner, and voter. My address is 800 E 35th St Baltimore, MD 21218. Thank you, Claire Knezevic

Testimony:

A budget is a moral document

It could not be more clear than right now that pouring more and more of taxpayer money in the BPD does not help our city, it does not reduce violence, and it only further serves to violently enforce structural racism and traumatize our residents, including our children. We have so many committed community members that are working to address the root causes of violence and to improve our city (from Ceasefire to Baltimore Harm Reduction to Blue Water Baltimore to the numerous community gardens - the list goes on!), these are the truly effective ways to move Baltimore forward, I'm calling you to invest in these, invest in our community, and divest from violent policing.

I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million, further decrease the BPD budget by at least 10% and re-allocate these funds to affordable housing, community development, homeless outreach and service, library services, youth and trauma services, chronic disease prevention, park programs, and art programs.

A budget is a moral document

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Julianne McFarland <juliannemcf@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:39 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); City Council President; Middleton, Sharon (City Council)
Subject: Public Testimony: Decrease Funding for BPD

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Sincerely,

Julianne McFarland

3 Club Road, Baltimore MD 21210

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ankit Kavi <akavi1015@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); City Council President
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council)

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To the Baltimore Council President and District 7 Representative,

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Sincerely,
Ankit Kavi

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Kailyn Cavaluzzo <kailyncavaluzzo@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Kailyn. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Kailyn Cavaluzzo

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Cara Sands <csands1@students.towson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:38 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Cara Amanda Sands and I am a Baltimore city resident. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Cara Sands

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Parker Matthews <parkertmatthews@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:37 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Matthew Park. I am an educator and arts administrator in central Baltimore. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Please consider the legacy that you wish to be known for. Will you be a force for transformation and rehabilitation, or for protecting the status quo?

Best regards,

-Matthew Park

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jaelyn Bos <jaelynbos@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:35 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: FY 2020-2021 budget

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Dear Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilperson,

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Sincerely,

Jaelyn Bos

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Jaelyn Bos
US National Park Service
RPCV Mozambique
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From: Amanda Jean Thomas <amandajean5@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:33 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Amanda Jean Thomas. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Amanda Jean Thomas

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Kai Philippe <kaihphilippe@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:32 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget

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Hello,

My name is Kai Philippe and I am emailing to submit testimony regarding the proposed budget for this upcoming fiscal year. I stand in firm opposition to the proposal to increase police funding, and demand that Baltimore City put money into the community rather than into the police force. Increasing police funding not only takes money away from many vital programs that serve the community, but also endangers the lives of the most marginalized of Baltimore's residents. I sincerely believe that Baltimore's money would be much better spent on programs such as Youth and Trauma Services, Affordable Housing, and Support Services for the Homeless.

Thank you,
Kai Philippe

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Eva Wingren <eva.wingren@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Citizen testimony for police budget hearing

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Dear Ms. Currin,

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I do not think that this process was conducted in a way that retains the citizens' faith in their elected officials. I follow Taxpayers Night closely and have participated in the past. I believe I had replied to the FB event prior to COVID-19. I then found out that it had been rescheduled and was happening as I was first seeing the reschedule announcement. I had not seen any outreach or media coverage of this important citizen engagement exercise. I hopped on, but all that was offered was a Charm TV link that appeared to actually be playing an entirely different City Council session. I could not see any way that citizens could actually engage.

It is upsetting that Baltimore would be doubling down on failed policing strategies when its people are in such pain, but even more disturbing that no good faith efforts to engage citizen perspectives are being used.

Sincerely,

Eva Wingren

p: (360)317-5644

pronouns: she, her, hers

schedule with me: calendly.com/ewingren

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Elijah Blank <eblank4@jhmi.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:30 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President; Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Fy21 Budget Comments

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Dear Council President Brandon M. Scott & Council member Leon F. Pinkett, III

I am a voting constituent of Baltimore City district 7, a lifelong Baltimore resident, graduate of Baltimore City Community College, University of Maryland Baltimore County, and current graduate student at Johns Hopkins University. Baltimore City is my home and a great source of pride for me, but currently, my heart is broken along with the rest of my country by the great tragedies we have seen in recent months.

The killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Ahmaud Arbery are just the most recent examples in a long line of injustices highlighting the inexcusable way our criminal justice system has failed Black Americans. This nationwide and sustained pattern of bloodshed leads me to the sorrowful but inevitable conclusion that we will never be able to establish justice and ensure domestic tranquility if we allow the current culture of policing and law enforcement to persist.

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Without systemic change, Baltimore City's police force is not a tool that can promote justice or build a peaceful society. Let us instead invest in other ways to safeguard the rights and wellbeing of our communities.

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: katie o <katieoh1@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Cut the police department budget

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Sincerely,
Katie Outten

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Sylvia Stearn <anna.stearn@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Best,
Anna

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Chigoziem Oguh <chigoziem.oguh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); City Council President
Subject: As a resident of Pigtown Call to Defund BPD

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Sincerely,
Chigo Oguh

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

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Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Paige Adrienne Espenshade. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

P Espenshade

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Allyson Hartten <allyhartten@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Dear Marguerite Currin and Council President Brandon M. Scott,

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Sincerely,
Allyson Hartten

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: MaryRose Puglisi <maryrose.puglisi@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Sincerely,
MaryRose Puglisi

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Rose Bell <bell.rose.ann@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:53 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Rise Bell. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Rose Bell

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Caroline Lea <clea1@students.towson.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:53 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); City Council President; Costello, Eric (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Tywanda.Cooper (City Council)
Subject: urgent Proposed budget concern

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I am contacting you to urge you and the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget, and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department.

Increased policing does not address the underlying systemic stratification in this city that causes me to fear for our black neighbors. Even more distressingly, many programs which do address the poverty and social disenfranchisement experienced by black community members in this city stand to be cut while our often violent and unabashedly corrupt police force stands to receive a windfall.

These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities. The proposed BPD FY21 Budget is \$549,959,519. This is an increase of \$13,583,042 compared to FY20. The Budget also calls for cuts to several departments that better serve the public as addressed earlier in this message, including: Affordable Housing (-\$3,535,819)

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I call on the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments. This is especially urgent with the ongoing Covid pandemic. We need funds to help people cope with the economic and health impacts of this crisis, and the recent election clearly shows that we need to help the BOE function in a safe, healthy way that does not result in disenfranchisement of our voters, particularly in this CRUCIAL election year,

We don't want to see our black neighbors disproportionately and harshly punished for the misfortunes and injustices they have inherited. We want to see them protected, and served, and the Police Department as it currently exists in failing in that on every level.

Sincerely,

Caroline Lea

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Maureen Walker <maureenwalker@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Maureen Walker. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is **inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget**. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best,
Maureen

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Sylvia Stearn <anna.stearn@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

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Best,
Anna

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Donovan Kramer <dkramer01@mica.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:50 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Council Members, My name is Donovan Kramer. I am a student at Maryland Institute College of Art. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. Best,

Donovan

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Emily Riehl <erihl@math.jhu.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:49 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: please CUT the budget for the Baltimore Police

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Emily Riehl and I am a homeowner in Mount Vernon/Belvedere in Baltimore City.

The budgetary crisis brought on by the coronavirus pandemic is forcing cities across the country to make hard choices about what services to cut. But one part of this decision should not be difficult at all. In the midst of this pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is more inappropriate than ever to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget from \$530 Million to \$545 million. I urge you to ethically reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divesting interest in the BPD, and investing social services and education programs, effective at the beginning of FY 2021. To do otherwise would be a slap in the face of all our black neighbors and fellow constituents.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health, shows our commitment to communities and the vision that all Baltimore residents deserve to thrive. Historically, the city government has spent far more on police than on public health, homeless services, youth services, and other vital agencies. It's time to defund the BPD's harmful expansion into homeless services, schools, youth services, mental health, and other social services where police don't belong.

It's time to protect investments in human services, the social safety net, and racial and economic justice. I am writing to insist that the upcoming BBMR budget hearings for FY 2021 reflect the voices and needs of Baltimore's citizens. I am asking that city officials lobby intense care, attention and effort towards finding sustainable, long term change.

Thank you,

Emily Riehl

June 5, 2020

—
Associate Professor, Dept. of Mathematics
Johns Hopkins University
www.math.jhu.edu/~erihl
she/her

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Chad Buterbaugh <chadbuterbaugh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:49 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bullock, John (City Council)
Subject: FY 2021 funding recommendation - community services and city police

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Dear Clerk Currin, Councillor Bullock, and Mayor Young:

My name is Chad Buterbaugh, and I am a Baltimore City resident. In the midst of this pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is more inappropriate than ever to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget from \$530 Million to \$545 million. Following the example of the City of Minneapolis, I urge you to ethically reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divesting interest in the BPD, and investing social services and education programs, effective at the beginning of FY 2021.

Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health, along with smaller organizations like the Arch Social Community Network, shows our commitment to communities and the vision that all Baltimore residents deserve to thrive. Historically, the city government has spent far more on police than on public health, homeless services, youth services, arts and culture, and other vital agencies. It's time to defund the BPD's harmful expansion into homeless services, schools, youth services, mental health, and other social services where police don't belong.

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Thank you,

Chad Buterbaugh

June 5, 2020

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Zola Barnes <zo.ab.barnes@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Costello, Eric (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council); Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Council Members,

My name is Zola Barnes. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Zola Barnes

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Nicholas Hill <nhill@bates.edu>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Nicholas Hill. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,
Nick

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: raellymer@gmail.com
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:48 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
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Dear Marguerite Currin, Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilman Ryan Dorsey,

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I implore the City Council to cancel the BPD budget increase of \$13.5 million and allocate it to the above departments.

Sincerely,

Rae Lymer

Rae Lymer
Gifted and Advanced Learning Specialist
Baltimore City Public Schools
M.Ed. Urban Education '13
Johns Hopkins University
Balimore, MD

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Katey Earle <kateystcearle@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:47 PM
To: margwuerite.currin@baltimorecity.gov
Cc: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Please address police brutality

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Good afternoon,

I'm writing to demand that the BPD reevaluate its entire department and lose the 13.5m that has been promised to go towards it. I am also requesting that the 6/12 hearing on the police budget be postponed and the deadline for submitting testimony be extended so that additional voices and participate in this crucial process can be provided and hears.

Also, I am requesting explanation for why the deadline to submit feedback was set for today at 16:30 when traditionally testimony may be submitted until shortly before it is to take place.

Other cities are defunding their police departments right now which is something that should be seriously considered in Baltimore and across the US. Meanwhile, there's a hiring freeze for desperately needed positions in every other city agency that actually supports people's health and lives!

I appreciate your prompt attention to this and your decisions that will support efforts in valuing black lives over unjust policies.

Best,
Katey Earle
21212

Sent from my iPhone

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Ayobami A <ayomayo88@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:47 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Mayor Young,

My name is Ayobami Adeyemo. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Ayobami

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Samantha St Cyr <grimecramp@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young, My name is Samantha Rae St. Cyr. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. Best, Samantha Rae St. Cyr

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Casey Funkhouser <cfunkhouser85@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:44 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: City Council President
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget Comments

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Sincerely,

Casey James funkhouser

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Colline Emmanuelle <colline.emmanuelle@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); City Council President; Stokes, Robert (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Cohen, Zeke (City Council); McCray, Danielle (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council); Clarke, MaryPat (City Council)
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Sincerely,

Colline Emmanuelle

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: L.X. Hammond <lindsay.hammond2@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:44 PM
Subject: BPD Budget

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Sincerely,

[Your Name]

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Dominique Diglio <dominickjohn3@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:44 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
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Dear Mayor Young, My name is Dominique Diglio. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. Best,
Dominique Diglio

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Anna Whitney <whitneyannam@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:44 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Ethical change to city funds

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Dear Mayor Young and council people,

My name is Anna Whitney. I am a Baltimore resident. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021.

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Best,

Anna Whitney

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Danica Duke <danica_duke@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:42 PM
To: City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); McCray, Danielle (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council); Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Budget

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Dear sirs:

I was just told the following from an activist who called the council clerk's office:

"The clerk is going to stop taking comments at 4:30 today because she is getting inundated with duplicate copies of letters, over 200 copies of the same thing so far. So she is uploading copies to the councilpersons, putting them in file for the hearing and then deleting them because 'most are duplicates'.

"According to Ms. Currin the current stance is that residents had an opportunity to provide input at Tax Payer Night back in May and should have done so then."

We are in the midst of an unprecedented time. This is not the time to silence our voices. This is not how representative democracy is supposed to work. I request that you postpone the hearings given the level of public interest in adjusting the BPD budget.

Given the events of the past few weeks (/decades/centuries), it's beyond time to start defunding the Baltimore Police. We can start by demanding that the City Council give that proposed budget increase to human services.

Dear Council President Brandon M. Scott & Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke, and all members of the City Council,

As a resident of Baltimore City, I call on the Baltimore City Council to vote against the proposed FY 2020-21 Baltimore Police Department budget and instead work to implement significant and permanent reductions to this department. These funds should be routed toward the development of harm reduction systems that do not terrorize our neighbors and communities.

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Sincerely,
Danica Duke

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Samantha Bozel <samanthabozel@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 3:04 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Mayor Young, My name is Samantha Bozel. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety. Best, Samantha Bozel

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Danielle Pelaez <dlpelaez@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 3:03 PM
To: Bullock, John (City Council)
Cc: Bernard C Jack Young; Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Vote against Proposed FY 2020-21 BPD budget

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Dear Councilman John Bolluck,

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In addition, I believe the 6/12 hearing on the police budget be postponed or the deadline for submitting testimony extended so more people can participate in this crucial process.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Danielle Pelaez

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Jaikishin Chughani <jchughani@bccenter.org>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: FW: Invitation to Web seminar: BUDGET HEARINGS - DAY TWO (2)

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Marguerite:

I am confirming the time of the appointment. I see the Webex is for 10, but BBMR says its 11. Please confirm.

Thanks

From: Louie, Samantha (DOF) [mailto:Samantha.Louie@baltimorecity.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Jaikishin Chughani <jchughani@bccenter.org>; Murphy, Jeanine (DOF) <Jeanine.Murphy@baltimorecity.gov>
Subject: RE: Invitation to Web seminar: BUDGET HEARINGS - DAY TWO (2)

Hi JC,

You're scheduled for Tuesday, June 9, 11am- noon.

Regards,
Samantha

From: Jaikishin Chughani <jchughani@bccenter.org>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Louie, Samantha (DOF) <Samantha.Louie@baltimorecity.gov>; Murphy, Jeanine (DOF) <Jeanine.Murphy@baltimorecity.gov>
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Sam or Jeanine:

This conflicts with our meeting time of 10:00. Can you confirm our meeting time.

Thakns

From: messenger@webex.com [mailto:messenger@webex.com]
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 10:58 AM

To: Jaikishin Chughani <ichughani@bccenter.org>

Subject: Invitation to Web seminar: BUDGET HEARINGS - DAY TWO (2)

When it's time, join the Webex event here.

Host: Marguerite Currin (marguerite.currin@baltimorecity.gov)

Event number (access code): 129 139 5700

Event password: Public

Tuesday, June 9, 2020 10:00 am, Eastern Daylight Time (New York, GMT-04:00)

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Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Stephanie Applegate <stepha4391@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:57 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Cc: Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); McCray, Danielle (City Council); City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council)
Subject: Baltimore City Expense Budget Reform

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Dear Council Members,

My name is Stephanie Applegate. In the midst of a pandemic and public outcry against police brutality, it is inappropriate to propose increases to the Baltimore Police Department budget. I urge you to reallocate the Baltimore City Expense Budget, divest interest in the BPD, and invest in social services and education programs, effective for FY 2021. Investment in programs such as the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Baltimore Children and Youth Fund, Safe Streets Baltimore, the Office of Employment and Development, or the Department of Health will have a measurable and lasting impact on public health and safety.

Best, Stephanie Applegate

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Allison Casalena <alliecatt@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Proposed Budget Vote

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Sincerely,

Allison Casalena
Zip code 21201

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: Claire Caplan -OPD- <claire.caplan@maryland.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 3:03 PM
To: City Council President; Cohen, Zeke (City Council); McCray, Danielle (City Council); Dorsey, Ryan (City Council); Henry, Bill (email); Schleifer, Isaac (City Council); Middleton, Sharon (City Council); Pinkett, Leon2 (City Council); Burnett, Kristerfer (City Council); Bullock, John (City Council); Reisinger, Edward (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council); Stokes, Robert (City Council); Sneed, Shannon (City Council); Clarke, MaryPat (City Council); Currin, Marguerite (City Council)
Subject: Cancel Baltimore Police Budget Increase!

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Sincerely,

Claire Caplan
627 Saint Dunstons Road
Baltimore, MD 21212

Currin, Marguerite (City Council)

From: lindsey clark <lindseykayclark@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 3:04 PM
To: Currin, Marguerite (City Council); Costello, Eric (City Council)
Subject: Fwd: Baltimore City FY21 Budget

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From: lindsey clark <lindseykayclark@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 5, 2020 at 12:53 PM
Subject: Baltimore City FY21 Budget
To: <Robert.Stokes@baltimorecity.gov>

Dear Councilman Stokes,

I understand that Mayor Young's FY21 budget will be reviewed by City council in the near future and wanted to weigh in as a constituent in your district. I am very concerned with the proposed \$500,000,000 budget allocates to the Baltimore Police Department. In a time where the City is facing economic hardship and loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it seems more necessary than ever to invest more in the community and the citizens of Baltimore. Instead, the proposed budget increases funding to the BPD while providing the bare minimum to crucial services like affordable housing, homeless outreach, our public education system and resources available to BCPS students, and access to arts and culture.

I urge you to work with the Mayor and your fellow City Council members to come up with a budget that will provide the financial support that the BPD needs without sacrificing the development of those outlets and offices that would benefit the entire Baltimore community. The budget as currently proposed does NOT help us build a better Baltimore.

With thanks,
Lindsey Clark
3 year resident of Mt. Vernon