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Dear Council members,

With yet another APD Captain on suspension and less than 3 months after the citizens learned of the cover-up of the racially motivated beating, strangulation and electrocution of Johnnie Rush, this is no time for you to consider an increase in APD's budget. Dissolving CPAC before a replacement was up and running was also a tone deaf mistake.

APD does not need more money to straighten itself out. The public isn't the problem here. APD is. Please do not reward them for their unacceptable criminal behavior, which would go against everything law enforcement claims to stand for— behavior having consequences.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Diana Starr