

VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING SUBMISSION:

Originally - Submitted My comments for CC22.2 "Changes to Policing " on June 29, 2020 City Council – and they will be part of the Town Hall Meeting of Thursday July 19 2020.

I have attended the Board Meetings of the TPS since 2009 when Alok Murkejee was the Chairman, David Miller was the City Mayor and Bill Blair the Chief of the TPS.

After reading your Recommendations to item 3 of the June 18, 2020 Board Agenda that I wasn't allow to speak. I have again a chance to speak at this town hall meeting.

I have to said in all honesty that I reject all your recommendations them all because change can TRULY happen when we DECERTIFIED the Police Union, Removed the UNION off the Police Service is the call of the people in Social Media.

Change WILL not happen when Board Members who publicly have stated on record and on this board and always stated their undeniable support of the Police regardless of their bad behaviour..

It is a Sham to have Political Appointments, made by the Province and have RIGHT WING Councillors sitting at the Police Board case in point : Nunziata , Tory and Ford [POLICE SUPPORTERS) on the board is a joke.

Mr Mayor you should better off leaving the seat to some else to better direct the future of the Toronto Police and it's \$1.2 Billion Dollar when you combined the Parking Enforcement Unit, the Board and the Service all together make up a huge chunk in the city budget for YEARS... they toss away the KPMG report for a reduction of 10% of their budget and the "Way Forward" as the new alternative to reform the Policing in the City of Toronto is a pipe dream.

Mr Mayor,, we won't be able to achieve those "Little too late changes" that you are proposing. I am not swayed at having an opinion of the next Chief of Police because he/she will end up the puppet of the Board.

We need a new BOARD COMPOSITION made up of Members of the PUBLIC like Derek Moran, Kris Langenfeld, Dione Renne, or Desmond Cole to direct the board on what is best for our Black and Indigenous communities. We need the YOUTH and SENIORS represented PERMANENTLY at the table.

Sincerely Yours

Since 2009

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