

Written Comments for
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CEO_ICACFeedback

From: Beth von Emster<beth.vonemster@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024, 4:15 PM
To: Warren Slocum; Dave Pine; Ray Mueller; Noelia Corzo; David Canepa;
CEO_BoardFeedback; CEO_ICACFeedback
Subject: August 13 Agenda - items not on the agenda - Sheriff Oversight

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Dear Honorable Supervisors:

My name is Beth von Emster. I am a Belmont resident and a member of the Coalition for a Safer San Mateo County. I am writing about the newly-created Independent Civilian Advisory Commission on the Sheriff's Office.

It is concerning that at the first meeting of the Commission last month, Sheriff Corpus spoke for half the meeting and was accompanied by several uniformed deputies. Such air time and the potential appearance of intimidation make a mockery of the word "independent" in the Commission's title. It leaves one to wonder how the Commission will ever have the ability to meaningfully consider or make recommendations regarding the many challenges in the Sheriff's Office, including:

- Five jail deaths since 2023, all but one related to mental health or substance use;
- \$13.4 million in recent settlements for sheriff deputies' misconduct, including for the Taser killing of Chinedu Okobi and a SWAT team member experiencing harassment and assault by colleagues.

The Commission lacks the hallmarks of real independence, making it incumbent on the Board of Supervisors to continue performing that function. I urge Supervisors Slocum and Pine, as the members of the Sheriff's Oversight Subcommittee, to meet regularly in public to demonstrate the Board's fulfillment of that oversight function, and to use their positions to imbue the Commission with genuine responsibilities, goals, and metrics.

Thank you.

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From: Gail Sredanovic <certifiedhypnotist@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 1:39 AM
To: Warren Slocum; Noelia Corzo; David Canepa; Ray Mueller; David Canepa
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Gentlemen,

I am writing to ask that the Sheriff Advisory Committee meet in public for transparency and that those making comments have a far greater share of the total time than has been true so far. Certainly 1 minute to present is far too short- just about enough to say hello and introduce oneself .Thanking you for your service and hoping for improvements.

Sincerely,
Gail Sredanovic