

From: [Kayla Quinn](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: 1/25/2021 Public Comment
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:41:27 PM

Good afternoon,

I am writing to submit my written public comment for the CPAC Special Meeting on January 25, 2021 regarding the police excessive use of force and violent brutality incident on January 23rd, 2021 at 9th and Pacific Ave in Tacoma, WA.

I have seen multiple videos from different angles and read eyewitness reports. The police officer was not in danger. The reports about citizens banging on the windows hard enough to break them is false. I only saw hands tapping the hood of the car. Additionally, the officer had plenty of room behind to back up and out of the situation. Instead, they chose to back up a few feet and accelerate straight into a crowd of people. This is absolutely unacceptable and a disgusting use of power. There is no excuse for this and if the officer is trying to claim a fight or flight or emotional response, then they need better training.

The officer should be fired immediately and a full investigation into the entire Tacoma police department to root out more of these power-abusing violent criminals. I have never felt safe in Tacoma because of the police department's behavior.

What is CPAC's plan to take action against not only this incident but the department as a whole? How will you use your voice and status to root out the corruption and violent officers within the Tacoma Police Department? Are the citizens that were injured and hospitalized going to be taken care of using TPD budget and funds? How can we work together to overhaul the entire policing system in our city while building a new system that actually helps citizens and keeps them safe?

I am confident that CPAC will have a detailed and comprehensive action plan to present this evening and moving forward and look forward to hearing it.

Thank you for your time.

~Kayla Quinn

From: [Jacob Kimerer](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comment - S. 9th Incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 12:49:54 PM

Hello,

My comment is more of a statement and question.

A few months ago, a Tacoma Officer encountered a similar group at the UPS facility in Fife. The crowd did the same as the incident at S. 9th and Pacific. She had a window broken out. She backed up and waited for backup.

Why is it she was able to not run anyone over but this officer made the decision too?

Officers/Deputies throughout Pierce County encounter this sideshows and takeovers almost daily it seems. They are aware of their tactics. This officer moved in without strength in numbers and put himself in such a position where he felt unsafe.

How is the department going to move forward on proper enforcement of this dangerous sideshows? Is the department looking at new ways to approach such a hostile situation?

Sadly this is a culmination of months of these activities that seem to go unenforced in the area.

Respectfully,

Jacob Kimerer
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From: [Virginia Morris](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comment for Consideration During the CPAC Meeting 1/25/2021
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 2:53:04 PM

To Whom it May Concern:

As a 20-year resident of Tacoma, I have for the most part supported the actions of the TPD, especially the skill with which they handled a hostage crisis which ensued after the Nov. 30, 2016 murder of officer Jake Gutierrez. With precision, the SWAT team was able to rescue the hostages without further loss of innocent lives.

That said, I am outraged at the unfairness in rushing to judgment about the police officer's actions based on the pieced together videos recorded by a group engaging in illegal street activity on the evening of January 23, 2021. The earlier video of the dangerous actions and activities of the participants has all but disappeared from social media and local media coverage, leaving the impression that the patrol car purposely and without reason struck an innocent group of peaceful pedestrians minding their own business.

The group in question was neither a peaceful nor a legal gathering of innocent victims.

This was a group of folks who gathered together with the intent of engaging in and supporting the illegal and dangerous street-racing activities. There is video of the burnouts which present a danger to the safety of the citizens of Tacoma.

Then, when alerted probably by citizens who were concerned about public safety, the first officer to respond was attacked by individuals who were putting themselves in harm's way in the middle of the street. It is unfortunate that several people were injured. That said, they have only themselves to blame because:

1. They were gathered and breaking the law.
2. They were in the middle of the street attacking the police vehicle.
3. In a threatening manner, they attempted to attack the police officer trying to contain the situation, who unfortunately struck several individuals as he was fleeing for his own safety.

I was not impressed with the interim Police Chief's initial response, which was immediately to assume wrong-doing on the police officer's part. Officer Phan could have issued a less-biased assessment at least until there was a thorough investigation. Hopefully, once the investigation is complete, we will have a transparent, full, and fair account of what happened. If the officer is at fault in some way, then let him be held accountable.

That said, there is no justice served if only the officer gets punished and those who unlawfully assembled and violated traffic laws get to walk away without being held accountable.

Are any of the participants going to be charged for violating the law with the burnouts and street racing and/or for attempted assault of the officer? I have nearly been victimized myself by freeway racers erratically weaving in and out of traffic on I-5 at dangerously high speeds. Street and freeway racing have got to be stopped. This is not OK.

This is not ALL the fault of the officer.

I am weary of law breakers whining about getting hurt when they were already somewhere they shouldn't have been, doing something they shouldn't have been doing in the first place.

I am even more weary of the leadership siding with those who break the law and not holding them accountable. They get off with impunity, only to cause another incident later on for which the officers involved bear the brunt of the criticism, or even worse, pay with their lives.

Kind regards,

Virginia L. Morris

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From: marissathomas@usa.com
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comment on Use if Force 01/23
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:12:53 PM

Hello,

My question is, why are we not getting an update on the condition of the person who was taken to the hospital? 2 were taken to the hospital. One was released with minor injuries. What about the other person? I have not been able to find any information on their condition.

Marissa Thomas

Sent using the mail.com mail app

From: [Anna M](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: comments about what transpired on Jan 23rd
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:13:23 PM

To whom it may concern,

I just wanted to send an email and say I hope that officer is ok and thankful that he is safe after Saturday nights attack on his patrol car. The multiple videos that are out there should be evidence enough that the police officer was indeed in trouble and could not do anything once he got to the scene where a bunch of kids were illegally doing donuts in the middle of an intersection. There was no reason for his vehicle to be attacked but now he's being investigated because some kid decided to be Billy bad ass and try to stop the cop from doing his job. If you want the police to do their job why not stop criticizing your officers that you hire for the city and focus on the garbage thats going on in your neighborhood? Tacoma is a beautiful and these kids shouldn't of been out there in the streets trying to be cool. Not to mention if you watch the videos, you see a couple kids get hurt by getting bumped by the vehicles that are spinning but thats not important. Just the cop who got attacked while answering a call but because of the choice he made of trying to free himself he's in the hot seat because his life was on the line. How else could he of handled that situation. He obviously had his lights and siren on but that didn't budge the mob of people destroying his vehicle. What would've happened if that cop came out of the car? Would you prosecute the people who wanted to physically hurt your officer or would you just blow it off because they were protecting their guys from getting caught? Your guy was doing his job and the city needs to start backing up their civil workers before they lose them.

Sincerely,
A concerned citizen

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S9+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

From: [Amanda Housley](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comments for tonight's meeting regarding TACOMA PD
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:13:03 PM

Good afternoon,

I am writing to inform you that I believe the officer acted appropriately for the given situation. I have three videos on my phone that I downloaded, as well as watched from Facebook live for this event. One of the videos the person making it was laughing and saying "oh damn, they're hitting the cop car, oh damn, they're hitting the cop car" then the car runs over the people in the way. This officers life was in danger and he needed to get out of the way. He tried for several minutes to rev the engine and other tactics to get them out of the way, then tried to back up and couldn't, meanwhile several more people were surrounding him by the second, he had no choice but to go forward and get to safety at that exact moment.

Shortly before officers arrived the car club hit one of their own members and he was okay luckily, I also have that on video. This event lasted well around 15 minutes that I saw, and during that time a fire truck went through first and as soon as it was out of the intersection they continued with the car club antics. I have that on video, in addition a police car was coming in to break it up and was ran out of there in reverse as vehicles were charging it along with several members of the car club. They ran the officer out of there. Unfortunately the officer who ran over the person didn't have the choice to flee and maintain his safety the way the others did. I would be happy to share the videos if needed. We need to support this officer. We cannot let people get away with breaking the law, obstructing the officers from doing their job, nor causing the officer harm/killing them. We must have law and order. This is unacceptable. We need more officers and more support for officers.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: [Amber Villareal](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comments on TPD officer incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:04:28 PM

To whom it may concern,

The city of Tacoma, the mayor, and the interim chief of police need to have this officers back! They have dedicated 29 years of their life to serving this city. Put any of yourselves in this officers shoes. In the climate and rhetoric that has been allowed when it comes to our police officers, what would you do if an angry mob of people surrounded your vehicle, beating on it? God knows what they would do to you if they got you out of your car. If you say anything other then you would gun it to get out of there, you're lying. And then for NOTHING to be done while they're destroying property and setting fire in the streets last night is absolutely disgusting, the media calls them "protests" they are RIOTS. You're allowing this culture to continue because you do not address it head on, you do nothing. You can't please everyone, but you shouldn't be trying to please the criminals. It's a slap in the face to us that are law abiding and live decent honest lives.

Sincerely,
Amber Villareal

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Tynan Ramm-Granberg](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comments regarding police officer who drove over citizens
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:04:36 PM

Like many, I was horrified and disgusted by the events caught on video on the 23rd of January. The officer involved had zero excuse for using his vehicle as a deadly weapon. If at all possible within the constraints of the officer's contract, I am writing to implore those in charge to hand off investigation of this incident to a truly independent, non-law enforcement body. The events surrounding the Manuel Ellis case (for which we are still awaiting justice) demonstrate the patent unreliability of police (even from other jurisdictions/bodies) at investigating their own.

Thank you for your time,
Tynan Ramm-Granberg
304 Tacoma Ave

From: [Elie Macom](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comments
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 2:05:37 PM
Attachments: [Video.mov](#)

I believe the officer responsible deserves to be fired. Nothing excuses running a crowd of people over. This video clearly shows the malicious intent the officer had towards the crowd. I believe this situation is all wrong, but the video attached does not show threats towards the officer. I request you watch.

From: [Angela G](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Comments
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 12:27:16 PM

In this day and age where officers are being injured and killed while doing their jobs, it's important to note the this officer's car was surrounded with people. People who were already doing illegal things on the streets of Tacoma. He had no way of knowing their intent and had a right to get away from them. People MUST learn there are consequences for their terrible choices, such as aggressively surrounding an officer. Anyone should have the right to do whatever necessary to assure their own safety when their life is at risk. After seeing the video, the only possible thing he could have done differently was announce by way of the horn or intercom. The officer did NOTHING wrong.

From: [Courtney Henningsen](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Concerned community member
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:06:24 PM

As many people across the nation, I too, watched the events of the other night through various perspectives of live feed, and social media videos and commentary. While I understand that our law enforcement agents carry a lot of responsibility and are often under emotionally driven and intense situations, I feel there must be change made and accountability on the part of officers who respond out of a fearful, panicked state. This position as an officer requires a level head. Far too often there have been situations over the years where officers have made decisions based off an amygdala response. This makes officers potentially dangerous to our community members rather than help us feel safe, protected, and served. If officers cannot make safe decisions for everyone involved when under intense pressure, they should not be in law enforcement.

Regarding the incident where the officer ran into and over the crowd. I have a few questions, 1. Why didn't the officer attempt to use his microphone to disperse the crowd? 2. In some videos we can see other officers in the area, why couldn't the officer have waited for backup? 3. What led to one officer responding to a large crowd WITHOUT backup?

4. I witnessed a video that appears to show minimal to no citizens behind the officers SUV at the time of attempted reversal, but he put it in drive and accelerated forward instead. Why didn't he continue to reverse since it clearly shows less people behind? 5. Why was the department so quick to release a statement stating "what happened" yet many contradictions were found after watching many videos from the evening? The statement released afterwards was made in defense of the officer rather than a neutral one, an investigation had not been completed prior to the statement being released correct? Why is there such a quick response to defend the badge without knowing all the facts?

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

A concerned community member.

From: [Renee Cavanagh](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Concerns about Mr. Hadberg's comments
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:04:39 PM

Mr. Hadberg

Your comments to the community were extremely tone deaf and came off as victim blaming an entire town. Please consider how your words may be interpreted-me and my community of mental health professionals were extremely concerned by your pointing the finger.

Dr. Renée Cavanagh

From: [Mary Franks](#)
To: [CPAC](#); [Woodards, Victoria](#); [Ushka, Catherine](#); [Thoms, Robert](#); [City Manager](#); [Beale, Chris](#); lillian.hunter@cityoftacoma.org; [McCarthy, Conor](#); [Walker, Kristina](#)
Subject: Concerns how our City is handling the events of this past week.
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 11:36:47 AM
Attachments: [Letter to City and Mayor.docx](#)

Hi,

Please read the attached letter I have written about our City and Police Department's response to this past weekend's events as well as how our City is doing with other issues as a hole.

Please address these issues for our upcoming meetings with CPAC and City Council meetings.

Thank you,
Mary

From: [KIRK CHARBONEAU](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: CPAC - Contact Us
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:30:12 PM

Good evening,

After listening to your meeting tonight we appreciate that your addressed the police department and there activity but what we feel like was not addressed was the car rally's that are taking place.

We want to know the plan is for providing a space for these people to do this legally and safely. What can we do to support this group instead of putting this group at harm. This group has a passion for cars, they are not looking for trouble but instead a solution to the problem.

Thank you

Sent from my iPad

From: [lmateljak](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: CPAC meeting comments
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:54:18 PM

Hello.. I am of the understanding that people were gathered on a public street to participate in illegal street racing. These individuals, whom had zero regard for the law and safety of others and themselves, chose to engage in illegal activity that resulted in law enforcement presence. When these individuals chose to surround the officers vehicle instead of disperse that is where a line was crossed.

Where is the accountability of the individuals who created the situation in the first place? Who in their right mind thinks it is ok to surround a police vehicle? Who in their right mind thinks it is ok, whether it be with their body, a vehicle etc, to block law enforcement from leaving or moving? Even my 6 year old knows that a rolling or stopped vehicle is a deadly weapon.

The officer involved did what they had to do. This was not racially motivated. The officer did not arrive to the illegal activities with intent to run people over. The people at the scene placed themselves in harms way not only by participating in illegal racing but by surrounding a police vehicle.

Open and shut. There are too many rights and not enough responsibility. Everyone who was there to participate in illegal racing knew that this was illegal. How can any of them be “shocked” when the police show up? No. Take accountability and responsibility.

Regards, Lynsey McCollum

From: [Pablo Monroy](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Filing A Police Complaint
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:37:05 PM

Hello,

Within hours of the event, a Tacoma police officer was reporting an "inside view" of the incident to the press. This was well before the investigation and they credited them self as a "source". This undermines the trust of the public and im wondering if this person will be held accountable and the policy of the Tacoma Police Department when incidents like this occur.
--Pablo

<https://mynorthwest.com/2499586/rantz-mob-surrounded-threatened-safety-of-tacoma-cop-who-drove-out-of-crowd/>

From: [Rachel Briegel](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Fire Officer Kanh Phan
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:23:44 PM

Hi Tacoma Community Police Advisory Council,

I'm emailing you today as per requested since there will be no public comment at tonight's meeting.

I'm asking that you demand officer Kanh Phan be fired from the Tacoma Police Department and his pension removed and distributed to the victims of his violent attack on 1/23/21. Per video evidence, this attack was unnecessary and could have been easily avoided. These acts of violence must be faced with accountability, or it will further fuel the already present deep distrust in law enforcement.

Also- please advocate to Defund TPD and redistribute those resources to the community.

Rachel

From: [Dawn](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Fwd: City of Tacoma
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:47:28 PM

Relevant to tonight's meeting and in support of the understaffed Tacoma Police Department.

From: Dawn <tigrisdawn@aol.com>
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021
Subject: City of Tacoma
To: victoria.woodards <victoria.woodards@cityoftacoma.org>

Hello Mayor Woodards,
I would like to first thank you for your service to this great city.

Secondly, I implore you to please stop the rioting in our great city. Our police department has already had funding cut and had a difficult time enforcing the law over the past several years. I have seen the drug dealing and crime stats rise and police have told us they are cut 50% and don't have the time or manpower to do their jobs effectively. NOW, on top of already being crippled, we have people who just want to start problems and get away with crime, feeling entitled and knowing there are zero consequences for doing whatever they want and terrorizing the city. This should never be OK and I hope the city leadership will stop being controlled by groups that pose as caring about minorities and have their own agendas to cause chaos and terrorize the city. Our beautiful Wright Park has been defaced and many people are afraid to be downtown anymore.

I have lived in Tacoma since 1997. I remember areas of downtown being crime riddled. I remember several of the churches downtown saying they were "taking back the city" and being part of positive momentum to make Tacoma safer. I remember being part of Tacoma's Crime Free Housing and crack down on drug dealers. All of our efforts have been erased. All of the hard work from civilians, community leaders, pastors and police officers have been erased. I am begging you, Mayor Woodards, to take back our great city and restore order. We live in Tacoma and NOT Seattle for a reason. PLEASE do not allow our great city to be run the way Seattle does or you will see many people leaving and moving out of state or to other cities who do not allow these type of activities to go on. COVID-19 has already been devastating to many of us. Please do not allow crime sprees and chaos to rule Tacoma.

Thank you!
Tacoma Resident
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From: [Renee Cavanagh](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Gratitude to Mr. Louis Cooper
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:55:00 PM

To Mr. Cooper

Thank you so much for your words and vulnerability during today's meeting. I had a lot of the same thoughts and concerns, I especially appreciate your questions about why backup wasn't called. I like your mothers common sense approach and agree that it's been missing from TPD.

Best

Renée Cavanagh

From: [Renee Cavanagh](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Gratitude to Ms. Kiara Daniels
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:31:34 PM

Thank you for your words and your demands to hold TPD accountable. Our community needs to protect all the citizens here, even when they make choices others wouldn't agree with. Thank you again for your voice tonight

Best

Dr. Renée Cavay

From: [Jana](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: HOW can there be trust?
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:37:38 PM

I am still shaking since Saturday night. I cannot fathom how ANYONE could imagine or justify that the BEST OR ONLY response that a TRAINED EMERGENCY RESPONDER could do would be to DRIVE OVER HUMANS. It is horrifying. It is unconscionable. I am furious and disgusted. And the police department is shameful.

I wish for peace and not violence, and it's unbelievable that those who claim to "serve and protect" would continue to perpetuate such harm.

-Jana Detrick

FIRE THAT OFFICER IMMEDIATELY, or recommend that. PLEASE.

From: [Eric Sims](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Illegal street Racers attacking Police
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:24:48 PM

Greetings!

I am in the firm belief you lose a fair share of your rights, WHEN PARTICIPATING IN/OBSERVING/ENCOURAGING AN ILLEGAL ACTIVITY.. STREET RACING!

We would all be complaining that the police weren't there if someone died from some donut spinning fool hitting someone.

People who were there encouraging, witnessing the illegal activity, give up the right to complain when they are part of the problem, and should anticipate damage by observing, encouraging or participating in dangerous deadly illegal activity!

Kinda like blaming the police if someone dies playing Russian Roulette, holding a gun up, pointing at police, when law enforcement arrives, and getting shot by law enforcement for holding a gun up and pointing at police playing Russian Roulette.

Shame on the City and critics of police trying to do right and protect the community. I frankly was surprised more people didn't get ran over. Darwinian theory was in total play.

What a complete bunch of Morons! and City is all, right with them, allowing dangerous, deadly, constant activity.

How about City impounds vehicles involved and arrests and charges, the street racers with Hit and Run?

Time to pull up the paddy wagons and tow trucks and start impounding these "Fine Citizens" vehicles and arresting perps.

Thank you for your Time,

Eric

From: [rachel haxtema](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Incident 1/23/21 Police Vehicle
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:21:48 PM

Dear Tacoma Community Police Advisory Board,

As a Tacoma resident, I've been following the events of this past weekend and am deeply concerned about our growing awareness of police violence and brutality and I'm concerned that this is one more incident that shows we need to either defund police completely and start over with a new kind of peace force or completely transform police training and hold police accountable for these incidents. I've been following the Manuel Ellis case and others and I'm frustrated and angry that more hasn't been done with the huge budget of the Tacoma Police to provide better de-escalation training and anti-racism training and we haven't seen actual results if these things are potentially happening in the background.

I participated in a "Project Peace" event with Tacoma Police a few years ago and had hopes that the events and the conversations there would lead to some important changes in our police department but I've heard no follow-up and have looked occasionally for information but haven't found follow-up info available.

We must change policing - and our own city is a place to start. With multiple cases of concerning police violence toward people of color and unarmed people, we must make change now. The calls to defund are loud in our community. Can Tacoma make changes now??? PLEASE take action as a community advisory committee to make change now.

As I'm sure you are aware, this event has now made national news and is part of our nation's growing realization and awareness around the problems of policing. Just this week NPR investigations found troubling patterns of police deadly force against people of color (<https://www.npr.org/2021/01/25/956177021/fatal-police-shootings-of-unarmed-black-people-reveal-troubling-patterns>) and this local incident only furthers my own concerns about these patterns.

Please hold this officer accountable and do important analysis on why this situation happened and what can be done to ensure that a police officer in our city does not do this again. More training is a start - serious real life scenario de-escalation training with non violent responses - but we need more realistic solutions for de-escalation and action towards change along with accountability and transparency.

Thank you for your work to take action quickly and with transparency,
Rachel Haxtema

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From: [Matthew Wade](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Incident at 9th and Pacific
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:52:26 PM

I pray that our city doesn't give in to the pressures of the protesters. I had to remind myself that the officer in the car was only human and not Superman. If I were at an intersection and a group of people mobbed my car with me in it and started beating on the windows I would hope that I had the legal right to defend myself and flee the scene, I hope this officer gets the same kind of consideration.

Let's serve God by loving and serving others,

Matthew Wade
(253)686-8571

From: [et me know AT](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Incident on 9th and Pacific Avenue
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:29:44 PM

Hello. I am a member of this community and have been for over 40 years. I must say that I am absolutely appalled at the complete disregard for our police officers who serve AND protect us each and every day, specifically the 29 year veteran officer involved directly in the incident which occurred on Saturday night. I am shocked at the fact that you seem to be placing so much emphasis on the accountability of the officer yet you don't seem to care about the accountability of the people who were committing crimes here in our beautiful city which led up to the incident in question. This shows complete disregard for the safety of our community members. I have seen several videos of this entire incident, from prior to the officer hitting people all the way to the very end.

This officers life was very clearly in danger as a mob of irresponsible people attacked his vehicle and laughed about it...breaking the back window out and beating on all sides of the patrol car. They were absolutely intending to cause him great harm and he had his lights and siren going loudly in an effort to get them to move out of the way. They chose to instead block his patrol car and continue their reckless behavior, putting everyone there in immediate danger.

I am angry, mad, sad, shocked, embarrassed, and very upset at the way that the media and all of you are portraying one of our most qualified officers and the entire Tacoma Police Department. It is a shame.

Why aren't any of you saying anything about the reckless, irresponsible, dangerous behavior of the individuals who chose to and continue to choose to disobey the law and especially to put our law enforcement in danger ? What kind of a false narrative are you trying to pull over on the citizens of our community ? Since when do criminal acts get condoned while law and order get pushed aside ? Our officers risk their lives every day for all of us ! How dare you reprimand them while turning a blind eye to the REAL problems: lawlessness and public safety being compromised.

I urge you all to start demanding accountability for those who commit criminal acts and to start making sure that they are arrested immediately instead of allowing them to take over our streets and our city. Who are you here to represent anyway ? - the law abiding citizens of Tacoma

Or the criminals who are taking it over ?

I am extremely embarrassed to be a community member right nowwhy ? Because of all of you.

Sincerely,

Shawn M. Pederson

From: [Loren Cochran](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Initial Police Statement Question
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:20:52 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

The initial TPD statement indicated that the officer in question feared for his life. However, TPD policies and procedures and the collective bargaining agreement do not allow for the officer to give a statement at the time of a use of force incident. Did the officer actually state that he feared for his life or was that language that the TPD spokesperson put forth without any communication with the officer?

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From: [Chad Stevens](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Jan 23 Incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:15:39 PM

Writing in as an attendee to the Zoom call with the CPAC committee.

I want to express my appreciation for all members that have taken their time to support this community.

That said, I understand the emotion and passion most of you have, however, as committee members you have a responsibility to remain objective and not fall prey to what so many do these days: emotionally-driven reactions that drive policy decisions.

That said, I fully support our police and we as a community need to recognize the trials they go through day in and day out. They put their lives at risk DAILY to keep us safe and enforce the law. Individuals that decide to break those laws, refuse to comply with police and attack a police vehicle, have made a choice to put themselves in harm's way. I support no violence and support anything that reduces citizens being hurt but we as a community need to hold individuals responsible for their personal decisions not only the decisions made by police. Breaking the law is a choice with consequences. We need to respect our police and the laws and challenge our community to do the same and stop stoking the emotional flames that cause these types of events to continue.

Obeying the law needs to be the absolute #1 focus. The disrespect of police by so many community leaders across this nation in itself incites individuals to break laws and believe there are no consequences when doing so. That puts citizens at risk and is complicit to events similar to what occurred Jan 23.

Furthermore, any ANTIFA presence in our city needs to be swiftly addressed. I will not sit idly by while we follow the path of Portland and Seattle. The police should be given any and all resources to hold all those responsible for property damage and rioting.

I am 100% against any defunding of the police. If anything, they need additional funding.

Chad, Lifelong citizen of Tacoma
chadstev@gmail.com

From: [ddd ddd](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: January 25, 2021 meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:19:52 PM

Having watched this group's meeting this evening, I am left wondering why this committee believes it has an oversight role with regard to the TPD use of force that occurred over the weekend. It is neither the PCFIT group nor the community reps to that group. It appears this group was convened to make recommendations on policy matters, & a specific incident investigation is not a policy matter. From the discussion this evening it appears that most members have obviously drawn conclusions about the incident prior to completion of the investigation. I am also left with the impression that there is not a good understanding of the PCFIT role or that of the community reps to PCFIT. Standing back, observing, & awaiting an official outcome is a viable option for this group. Expressing outrage can be done on their own time, if that is the position of individual members.

Sent from [Outlook](#)

From: [Jennifer Irigoyen](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: January 25th zoom meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:08:01 PM

Thank you CPAC for your time and intention to make Tacoma a better place, but as leaders is it not your duty to keep your personal opinions and emotions out of the meetings?

The amount of time used during the meeting to talk your individual “truths” and feelings was not only time used poorly, but only fuels the fires your committee is supposed to help ease for our community.

I am not asking for answers from this meeting, but to use this time to ignore that laws were broken (except by ONE of your members) is a poor use of time and resources.

Perhaps the one good thing of this horrible incident is that more members of the community will speak up and act. I know that IF I continue to live in my hometown I can no longer hope that the love I have for this city is enough.

Jennifer

From: [Ryan Wyatt](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Labor union question
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:33:22 PM

Ryan Wyatt, Tacoma resident

What barriers do labor unions present in the realm of accountability and training? In most unions safety is paramount, which means training is incredibly important and accountability for an individual's actions and the way they affect those around them is taken very seriously.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Brandi Wilson](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Letter of Support for TPD Officer
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:20:54 PM

Hello,

As a resident of the city of Tacoma, I am writing this letter to support the TPD officer in the incident on Saturday night. The officer was mobbed by a crowd of people and had no escape route. He did what he had to do to protect himself.

I would also like the street racers to be arrested for reckless driving and endangering public safety. If they had consequences for their actions then maybe they wouldn't continue to do this and wouldn't get more aggressive each time.

Thank you.

B Wilson

From: [Mary Ann Clabaugh](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:36:14 PM

I hope you are all listening to what the citizens of Tacoma are saying. They are all in agreement that we are FED UP with our town being run by a small number of hoodlums. It is all over all the different social media platforms....look it up.... For whatever reason, our elected officials seem to cater to this group, and are constantly "apologizing" for actions taken to keep our citizens safe. What is wrong with them? TAKE back our town before we become another Seattle! A police officer is mobbed by a group who are yelling "get him...get him,..." ask yourselves, each one of you, what you would have done in that situation. Guarantee you would have all done the same thing he did, get out of there! Would you have expected him to simply sit in his car to see what the final outcome would be once they got into his car and pulled him out? I think not! Do NOT BE AFRAID to take the right stance here, and BACK this police officer's actions. THis is a department that is already running extremely short staffed, as indicated by the independent study done earlier this year. Help these officers out, fill these positions on our streets, instead of demanding they do more with less

From: [S.Smith](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:20:01 PM

Fire the officers involved in running over people. They are unfit to serve in a role of authority and are a hazard to the community. It does not matter that people hit the vehicle. Nothing gives police right or reason to run over people. They could have stopped after running over someone with the front tires, but they didn't. They went ahead and finished the job with the back wheels. Fire those officers immediately!

To Tacoma City Council members, Mayor Woodards, City Manager

I am writing this letter to address the concerns I myself have as well as many citizens of the City of Tacoma.

I have lived in my home and S. Tacoma neighborhood for 31 years. I have seen the ebb and flow of cultural shifts, affordable housing, the cleanup of the neighborhood and the decline. The decline has been happening for this particular neighborhood for the past 10 years. Currently Manitou is nice in one way, but not safe or nice in another.

We use to know our Police Department CLO's, we use to feel safe walking the dogs to the park a few blocks away day or night. Today, we do not. The amount of drug trafficking, homelessness, car racing, illegal gatherings at Manitou Park during COVID restrictions and after hours, gang gatherings and harassment all are a enormous concern to this area's residents. As well as the numerous amounts of trash on the sides of roads. (If this was North Tacoma, this wouldn't be tolerated)

The corner of 66th and Huson has had a woman living under tarps since November. She, (Grace), has turned down housing help, has refused to move. Yet she wanders the neighborhood at all hours picking up what she thinks she needs, whether it's by theft or going through people's trash. The corner where she lives in an eyesore, a hazard and unsanitary. I myself have nearly hit her in the middle of the night or early morning hours as I drive down the road. She is walking down the middle of 66th wearing all black. One morning I even called 911 to report her as I feared she would be hit. I live a few blocks away and have witnessed her sitting in the middle of our intersection Round-a-bout yelling at herself or out loud. She has leaned over my fence and thrown trash in my yard at my dogs. Yet, nearly 4 months later, she is still living under a tent and tarp that look like two huge piles of garbage on a street corner.

I have had homeless individuals try to break in to my house, my garage, caught on Ring camera, and had my dog chase a guy over my back yard fence. I have had a woman trying my front door at 4am yelling that I locked her out. (did not know her, she looked high and unkept) I fear for my safety, my neighbor's safety and the security of my house, dogs and belongings that I work hard to maintain. This is not right! We need a solution to this crisis now! We need our police CLO's in our neighborhoods and not behind a desk, as well as the ability of police officers to be able to patrol.

Our neighborhood use to see our CLO's cruise the neighborhood and interact with it's residents, and they knew us and we them. We worked together, not apart.

That being said, as a concerned citizen, there has been a downfall in the way our city is being ran.

No longer are the majority of the citizen's concerns being addressed, but instead the loud obnoxious groups that gathers media attention through protests and unruly demonstrations, yelling, that constantly calls attention to their issues are what is heard. This is unacceptable and not the way our city should be ran.

Once again, Mayor Woodards has overstepped her boundaries and publically stated her opinion on an ongoing investigation. Our Mayor should at all times remain unbiased, and stand up for due process and due diligence towards an ongoing investigation. She should allow the process, while being concerned. However, the root causes of events this past weekend were due to an illegal gathering and street racing.

Mayor Woodards lives in the Manitou neighborhood. I have met her, she walks by my home on occasion during her evening walks. Yet, she fails to relate to the issues at hand out her front door.

Nearly every week you can hear the sound of gunshots ringing out in the middle of the night. You can most definitely hear and see the sound of illegal fireworks, some that are nearly a bomb with shaking of windows. Our neighbors have all called 911 and the non-emergency number to file complaints and hope an officer is available and in the area to find the offenders. After dark nearly every weekend you can hear cars racing down 74th street or through neighborhood streets. All in HER neighborhood, yet she turns a blind eye. There is numerous homeless camps within a mile of the Mayor's residence, yet nothing is done.

In regards to this past weekend's events of a police officer running over a person. There is NO accountability for the illegal gathering of people in the middle of the street, the street racing that was happening. I believe that every person involved should be charged as an accessory, obstruction of a roadway, blocking an emergency vehicle and inciting a riot, damage to city property. If our Mayor and Police chief would take a stance to eliminate the illegal activities perhaps then those that do this would think twice about the potential of going to jail or being cited and having a record. We MUST take a stance against these activities, they have been happening far too often and nothing is being done and then you expect the Police to handle this situation. The lack of actions by officials on these events is tying the hands of officers that are suppose to uphold the laws. The criminals are getting away with this and more because there is no deterrent

Mayor Woodards' statements state nothing about the illegal activities the put that officer in this position. It was not an abuse of power by this Officer, but rather a safety concern for his life as people were trying to cause harm and destruction.

If any of this were to be happening in an affluent neighborhood such as the proctor district or North End, officials would be taking action.

The City of Tacoma is Dying, and it is due to lack of leadership and lack of our city official's realization that we need to address all of these issues and back our Police Department so they can fully do their jobs without causing a deeper divide with between its citizens.

Finally, Mayor Woodards and Chief Ake need to be held in check and censored for making statements about a case that is being investigated by an outside agency. This is biased oversight and fuels the flame of the dived we should be trying to bridge. This is very egregious, and not a way I want to see my city fail its citizens.

Mary E. Franks

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From: [Loren Loftus](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Meeting tonight Police incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:28:22 PM

Dear Committee,

I hope you will do everything in your power to give that policeman the benefit of the doubt before you give him up to the screaming crowd. Imagine if, as you leave the house tomorrow, an angry mob attacked your car all at once. You try and back up to get away but the crowd beats on your windows and screams death threats. How horrifying! I bet you would panic too. Please try and support the facts and do not bend to the winds of anarchy out there. Support the police as they try and do their duty, to go home at night. It is not their jobs to die for us. I support the police!

Thank You

Loreen Loftus

From: [Cyndi Anderson-Roberts](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: meeting/incident feedback
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:18:12 PM

CPAC committee members:

I have so many thoughts as I am listening in to the meeting tonight and I am appalled at the lack of accountability of the citizens. Our citizenry is out of control and we cannot expect our police to tolerate the kind of danger we are asking them to put themselves in while not holding our citizens to the law. Accountability and transparency are important but they go both ways. Are you horrified that a crowd was threatening an officer? Would you rather he had to shoot his way out of danger? How do you propose to control the crowds - or do we just let them have free will?

I am also deeply disturbed by your comments - this doesn't really seem to be the right place for your feelings. Can you really make an unbiased decision and treat everyone fairly, including the police? Several of the members clearly have an agenda. Many said that actions needed to be taken - and surely if an officer has violated a policy, they should be disciplined - but how can you say that action must be taken before you work the process?

And, yes - I am embarrassed. I am embarrassed that we are not holding our community to higher standards. I am embarrassed that we are not supporting our officers who continue to come to work each day to serve and protect us. I am embarrassed that a citizen oversight committee doesn't appear to have a better understanding of policing. Louis is on the right track and I am happy to hear he is taking steps to be more informed. You need to spend time in classes and on ride-a-longs so that you have a more realistic perspective and make decision based on knowledge and not feelings.

Chair Stephen is also correct - if the citizens had been following the law and behaving appropriately, this would not have happened. It was awful to watch. I feel for the people who were hit, and the officer who felt this was his only option, but I am most saddened that we have allowed things to decline this far. People behave badly because they know nothing will happen.

Thank you also Tanisha for clarifying body cam info instead of just letting misinformation continue to be shared.

You all have opportunities to help move our community forward. I encourage you to not only read the comments but also information from other sources. There are many people who support the community and police. Which doesn't make the police right, it just means that they aren't always the bad guys either and they deserve due process like everyone else.

Cyndi Anderson

From: [Christine Rosenquist](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Monday meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:04:45 PM

Only 40 minutes in and I had to turn you off. The lack of support to TPD and what they are going through makes me angry. To think that you are all supporting people who were committing illegal acts and not supporting those who are trying to keep the community safe makes me feel sick. You all are of one opinion and that does not even come close to representing the “community”. If you want a representative sample in that committee then it needs to be balanced with both opinions. So one-sided. I’m sickened and saddened.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: aeagle03@protonmail.com
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: My opinion in regard to the TPD incident with Antifa
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 10:16:24 AM

To Whom It May Concern,

The public outrage as domestic terror rises is very saddening and frightening Coast to Coast. My name is Ryan Gabriel Hearl, as a veteran and patriot, I ask that you add my perspective to the pile.

After reading and seeing conservative media outline the facts I hoped and prayed, questioning the details, I wondered, "was this a false flag?" as well as "how many Americans will stand up for Law Enforcement"?.. Just imagine if we handed over our guns to the perpetrators of our laws. What would be the outcome? We would be slaughtered like sheep if these militant anarchistic sectors among us and all around us had their way. Civil disobedience should be positive and in accordance with the law and brought to light. Stand by the wo/men in blue! May God be with you in these dismal times. Thank you for hearing me out.

Sincerely,
R'G'H

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Sent from ProtonMail mobile

From: [Laurie Arnold](#)
To: [Woodards, Victoria](#); [Hines, John](#); [Thoms, Robert](#); [Blocker, Keith](#); [Ushka, Catherine](#); [Beale, Chris](#); [Hunter, Lillian](#); [McCarthy, Conor](#); [Walker, Kristina](#); [City Manager](#); [CPAC](#)
Subject: Officer Misconduct - When will there be accountability?
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:25:07 PM

To Mayor Woodards, Council Members, City Manager Elizabeth Pauli and CPAC Members,

I am just one of literally millions of people in our country and here locally in Tacoma who are truly sick and tired of seeing the same thing play out over and over. A person is killed in what is shown in bystander videos and eyewitness accounts to be caused by excessive force by police. Next, we are asked to wait for a full accounting of facts which then takes an inordinate amount of time after which we learn that the officer or officers “feared for their lives” and then they are exonerated of any wrongdoing after having what amounts to a long paid vacation.

Police officers are clearly able to act with impunity, never or extremely rarely being held accountable in even the most minimal of ways.

Independent investigations are not independent as long as law enforcement entities are the ones doing the investigating. PCFIT is NOT independent.

Community advocates who are known for being vocal about police accountability were deliberately targeted at the small demonstration that gathered after the incident.

Law enforcement has been able to give their side of the story here tonight about the arrests. When will those who were arrested get the opportunity to speak to the public about what happened to them?

Street racing is illegal. Lots of things are illegal. What should also be illegal is police officers acting as judge, jury and executioner.

Individuals or even groups breaking the law do not give license to officers to act with impunity and until they begin to be held accountable we will see nothing but more and more of this type of situation occurring. I call on all of our elected and appointed leaders to take concrete action to stop this type of lawless behavior from so-called law enforcement.

Laurie Arnold,
Lifelong Tacoma Resident, Voter and Tax Payer

“Where the really sincere white people have got to do their 'proving' of themselves is not among the black victims, but out on the battle lines of where America's racism really is - and that's in their own home communities.”

~Malcolm X

From: [Mike McMillen](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Officers actions justified
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:32:12 PM

In my opinion the officers actions on the evening of January 23 were completely justified given the situation and apparent mentality of the crowd.

Thank you, John McMillen

From: [Sarah Schofield, RN](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: One more question for tonight!!!
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:22:24 PM

One more question!

Why did the police officer slam on the gas rather than SLOWLY advancing to safety?

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From: [Michael Garrity](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Please crack down on street racing, safely!
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:36:57 PM

Hi,

I appreciate TPD's work to control street racing, and urge you to maximize efforts to do control this public safety hazard. Please don't run over any more people though - that should be avoidable with more proactive emphasizing on controlling illegal use of our roads.

Best,
Michael Garrity
Tacoma

Sent from my phone

From: tami.driscoll
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Police Officer Incident on 01-23-2021
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:26:30 PM

We have to keep in mind that the officer had many things running through his mind, and I can only speculate what those things were...perhaps...his extensive training as a peace officer(repeated every 6 months I believe in different forms, his tacticle training, his driving training, his training on cultural awareness, calling for backup, hearing what was going on around him on his radio, giving warnings to back away, all the media coverage concerning police image, sytemic racism and defunding police, his 30 years of experience, harsh words and name calling on the streets of Tacoma, stories of other officers being ambushed(RIP the Lakewood 4) and murdered...some in their cars, and even the incident on the steps of the capital of the officer tazed several times, beaten and threatened to be shot with his own gun only to be saved by persons in the crowd who heard him say he was a dad.

That is ALOT to have running through one's mind in the heat of the moment. If I am correct, and this officer acted not out of only fear for his own life, but also out of concern for all that could happen if he were to sit there and do nothing or start defending himself with his gun, then I say we should tell him thank you for your service for 30 years... thank you for taking the path of least resistance and loss of human life. It could have ended with many more persons hurt or even killed. What we have though is what did happen.

You all hold positions of influence. Please use them to start the healing process and to make changes that are good and fair and teachable and learnable.

Tami Driscoll
Fircrest, WA

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: [Amanda Collins](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Police Response to Street Racing
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:59:46 PM

Hello,

I would like to express my concern of ensuring there is a measured and thorough investigation into the actions of a TPD officer who was fleeing the street racing mob last Saturday evening and hit several people in the chaos. If the officer escalated the situation and acted against policy, then they need to be held accountable for causing harm and further damaging public trust. However, I am concerned and disgusted that this event is being highly politicized with city leadership making statements before a thorough investigation is complete. I am concerned that media and community leaders are encouraging destructive counter demonstrations that are harming local businesses. I am concerned that we are not going to consider this officer's personal safety and right to self-defense when evaluating the use of force.

Our police officers are called to do dangerous work and are thrown into volatile situations where they need to assess and react in a matter of seconds to ensure community safety and their own safety. Attacking a police officer's vehicle poses several threats not only to the officer, but to the public. It shows malicious intent of the mob to cause destruction, fear, and potentially harm human life. It also shows a complete disregard for our laws and the peace of our neighborhoods. If the criminals had breached the police vehicle, they would have had access to firearms and other weapons that could be used against the officer and the public. The officer was also aggressively outnumbered by the mob and would have likely suffered serious bodily injury or death if he had tried to evacuate the vehicle and retreat. From the video, it looks like there may not have been an ideal choice to make.

I hope CPAC can remain unbiased and help lead our community through this complicated incident.

Thank you,

Amanda Collins
Resident of Tacoma

From: [Andrew Borgstadt](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Police support
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:32:06 PM

What's an officer supposed to do? Police cannot be held responsible for horrific outcomes when THE PUBLIC REFUSES TO COMPLY! There must be personal accountability on behalf of ALL people involved in incidents like what happened downtown.

From iPhone AB

From: [trina kinney](#)
To: [CPAC; Woodards, Victoria](#)
Subject: Possible strategy to effect change? (Union Agreement)
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:52:39 PM

Hello,

In my understanding of police reform, in my opinion we have to start with the union agenda. Look at who is negotiating on the side of Pierce County. From my understanding no one on behalf of Pierce county looks like the entire community. The people that sit at the table are the ones who put forth the county's agenda, and I do not think they feel the way we feel as community members of color when it comes to urgent police reform. There are strategic ways to get the change we want and need in our community within the union agreement.

If you care to have more dialogue on this topic I am more than happy to put together some strategies.

From: [Stephanie Brickner](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Public Comment Prior to CPAC Meeting 1/25/2021
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:49:26 PM

Hello my name is Stephanie DuCette and I reside in Central Tacoma. I understand that there will not be a public comment portion of the meeting tonight regarding a police officer's use of deadly force during a street race this weekend. I wanted to use this platform to add my voice to (hopefully) many in response to this issue. I am appalled at this officer's behavior in running over unarmed pedestrians. I understand that the situation was not ideal and that private citizens were behaving unfavorably. I also firmly believe that those factors do not necessitate the actions the officer took in those moments. People do not deserve to be run over for making a minor poor choice. I am not sure what the next step is in all of this. I sincerely hope that the officers that choose to protect this city, do so to the very best of their ability even in less than safe circumstances.

Thank you for your time
Stephanie DuCette

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Jan Fuller](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Qualifications of CPAC members
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:54:52 PM

1. Please explain why each of you feel you are qualified to review TPD policy and procedure in this case.
2. What job or life experience do you have that qualifies you to be able to sit in judgement of someone in high stress, potentially life altering actions that require split second decisions.
3. What pre existing prejudicial negative bias (or favorable attitude) do you bring with you when taking part in this discussion as a result of your prior experience with Police Officers.
4. How would you feel if, in your own profession, you had outside committees making judgements and suggestions on performing your duties at your work. Especially when people on those committees have no experience in your job. Would you welcome their guidance?

Thank you.

From: [Jan Fuller](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Question for Interim Chief
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 2:53:32 PM

1. We want to know why you immediately made a statement which clearly judged the Officer to have committed an errant use of force without finding out all the facts first.
2. What exactly would you have done, in a dangerous scenario where his Patrol car was surrounded within a few seconds by a crowd of people trying to break into his car. There was no back up that would have been there in time if they had been allowed to continue breaking his windows.
Remember, split second decision, what would you have done differently.
3. Regardless, you owe him, and all your other Officers an apology. You have clearly shown with this example you do not support your rank and file Officers.

From: [Sarah Schofield, RN](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Question for meeting tonight
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:11:24 PM

Hello, I am a registered nurse and Tacoma resident. The question I would like considered, discussed and answered is:

Is being generally adversarial towards a police officer, automatically considered to be endangering the life and immediate safety of said police officer?

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From: [Dana Coggon](#)
To: [Robb Krehbiel](#)
Cc: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Re: Tacoma Police Reform and Accountability
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:21:56 PM

Robb, thank you so much for taking the time to send in your thoughts and concerns. I am forwarding this to the community email to ensure it get properly documented for the CPAC.

Please dont hesitate to contact me if you have other concerns or questions!

Thank you for being a fierce advocate for our community!

Dana

On Sun, Jan 24, 2021, 3:56 PM Dana Coggon <danacoggon@gmail.com> wrote:

Make sure to also come to our CPAC meeting Tomorrow night!!! We need as many voices as popossible to make changes happen. Also make sure to send this to your local legislators too. There are bills moving forward in the house and Senate to address the power of the o oversight commissions!!! Me need change and we can no longer wait.

On Sun, Jan 24, 2021, 11:54 AM Robb Krehbiel <robb.krehbiel@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Dana,

I wanted to let you know I sent this email to city council this morning. I sent a follow-up note to Chris Beale (my city council) and Ryan Mello with some specific things I think can happen at the city and county levels. Mostly asking questions about a few things. Thought I'd share them with you too:

1. Educational and training requirements for police. Is this something set by the union? Can the city set stricters requirements? Most police in the US only need a high school diploma. I'd like to see requirements for college degrees that include coursework in social and human services. Do we have de-escalation training? If so, what does that look like?
2. Ban the use of tear gas in Tacoma. Has this been done yet? Tear gas has been used by militarized police to attack nonviolent protesters. Before these scenes unfold in Tacoma, the city should ban the use of tear gas.
3. Prevent the police department from purchasing and using military weapons. Is this something that Tacoma currently does? If so, that should end. These are tools of war and do not belong in our communities.
4. Longer-term (though I hope not several years longer), we should change who responds to emergency calls. Can we accelerate this study?

Thanks for all you do on the police groups! Appreciate it!

Robb

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

From: **Robb Krehbiel** <robb.krehbiel@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Jan 24, 2021 at 11:32 AM
Subject: Tacoma Police Reform and Accountability

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Mayor Woodards, Deputy Mayor Blocker, and City Councilmembers,

Like many Tacomans, I woke up feeling angry and hopeless. Last night, when responding to reports of street racing, Tacoma Police officers ran over a crowd of protesters. The videos that appeared last night highlighted three main things for me.

First, the Tacoma Police are not trusted by the community. Whenever I see police, I fear that they are bringing violence, harassment, and death to my neighborhood. Tacoma Police murdered Manny Ellis not too far from my house. When cops arrive on the scene they escalate problems; they do not solve them.

Second, the Tacoma Police have little to no regard for human life and they are not capable of responding to situations calmly or peacefully. The few interactions I have had with police in Tacoma have been with hot-headed men who act like military officers, not community resources.

Lastly, last night highlighted the lack of action being taken by my city government. What is being done to hold police accountable in this city? What is being done to reform policing in our city? I've heard heartfelt speeches from many of you, and have even seen some of you at protests for racial justice and policing reform. What I haven't seen is any action. I haven't seen leadership. I haven't seen the police officers who murdered Tacomans fired. I haven't seen any accountability for Tacoma City Manager Elizabeth Pauli, who is obstructing justice and reform.

What is the city council doing for policing in Tacoma? You approved a raise for Ms. Pauli, despite the fact that she did not fire any of the cops who murdered Manny Ellis (as requested by Mayor Woodards). I have seen the city budget for police increase despite consistent calls from the community to reduce Tacoma's policing budget. I have also seen the city council kick the can of reform down the road, planning to study reforms for several years, which will likely be followed by several more years of policy debate around the recommendations from the study, and ultimately resulting in only partial implementation of a handful of the recommended reforms. All the while, police in Tacoma will continue killing, injuring, and harassing people.

I don't see any urgency. I don't see any boldness. I don't see any action.

I feel beyond frustrated to see the name of my city, once again, making national headlines because of the horrendous actions of a police department I unwillingly fund with my tax dollars. I am also beyond disappointed that my city council is failing to act as police continue to terrorize our communities.

Please let me know what actions are being taken to hold the specific police officers

involved with excessive and deadly use of force incidences. Also let me know what specific actions the city plans to take to reform policing in Tacoma, including the timeline for these actions.

Thank you.

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From: [tony89101](#)
To: [Woodards, Victoria](#)
Cc: [Hines, John](#); [Thoms, Robert](#); [Blocker, Keith](#); [Ushka, Catherine](#); [Beale, Chris](#); [Hunter, Lillian](#); [McCarthy, Conor](#); [Walker, Kristina](#); [City Manager](#); [CPAC](#)
Subject: regarding the lawless mob in Tacoma on 1/23/21
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 12:35:48 PM

Dear Ms Woodards-

I'm alarmed that a mob essentially took over some streets in Tacoma for some kind of car racing.

To make matters worse, they apparently confronted the police who were trying to respond to the associated 911 calls. According to the Tacoma News Tribune, they surrounded a responding officer's car to prevent him from reaching the individuals and at least one police car's windows were broken.

I moved to University Place when I retired (from Las Vegas) and I currently own a house one block outside of the Tacoma city limits. I travel in and around the affected area to walk at Foss Waterway and visit brewpubs & restaurants. So far, I haven't felt unsafe in Tacoma. However, I've seen no official reaction to indicate anyone in this mob is going to be held accountable. Street racing is bad enough (especially a downtown area at 6:20pm), but then a mob confronts a policeman in his cruiser with no subsequent arrests? Who would want to be anywhere near a city where that kind of behavior is permitted?

I should mention that I sympathize with the belief that there's been racial inequality regarding police use of violence (and BLM in general). But I hope you agree that legal and constitutionally-protected protests do not include violence, destruction and looting. Further the recent events look like they were initially generated by entitled 20-somethings (with too much time and money on their hands) instead of victims of racial injustice. I hope that there will ultimately be accountability for the lawless behavior in the form of multiple arrests (similar to the recent response to the looting of the US Capitol).

A response to my e-mail would be nice but not necessary.

Best regards and good luck with this difficult situation.

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From: [Nicolae Conovalov](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: regarding the police incident of evening of 1-23-2021, 9th and pacific
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:19:55 PM

Hi,

I am writing regarding the incident of the aforementioned date on 9th and Pacific in which the cop came to stop an illegal street racing event and was surrounded by a violent mob who looked to do harm. For that reason he had to move forward and run over some of those violent members of the mob. While that is unfortunate the cop did the right and reasonable thing. The officer deserves no punishment. I hope that the people who did the illegal activities get properly punished. The citizens of Tacoma will not stand for the attack on our police force.

From: [Dan Thomas](#)
To: [TPD-IA](#)
Cc: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Requested Termination of Khanh Phan
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:20:08 PM

Tacoma PD,

Your officer's actions on the evening of January 23rd, 2021 were disgusting and abhorrent. Nothing about the situation that night should have provoked such a response. Moreover, the officer provided no verbal warning to the crowd collapsing around him.

The consequences of his actions are disgusting, and the video evidence proves a power imbalance which he leveraged for no other purpose than to harm those around him.

Nothing will atone for his crimes against humanity. He did not serve or protect the public.

Therefore, the public demands Officer Phan's immediate resignation and/or termination. Anything short of this is a disgrace to the young man he willfully drove over.

Regards,

Dan Thomas *(he/him/his)*

From: [Guy Richie](#)
To: [Woodards, Victoria](#)
Cc: [Fosbre, Bill \(Legal\)](#); [Walker, Kristina](#); [Ushka, Catherine](#); [Hines, John](#); [TPD-IA](#); [voicesoftacoma@21cpsolutions.com](#); [Jumper, Tanisha](#); [Lee, Maria](#); [Beale, Chris](#); [City Manager](#); [Hunter, Lillian](#); [McCarthy, Conor](#); [Wille, Tadd](#); [Myers, Rosheida](#); [Nowman, Nicole](#); [brionna.aho@atg.wa.gov](#); [bob.ferguson@atg.wa.gov](#); [robert.ferguson@atg.wa.gov](#); [Ake, Michael](#); [Kaaumamo, Samantha](#); [Scott, Donlisa](#); [Blocker, Keith](#); [Equity & Empowerment Initiative](#); [mike.ake@cityoftacoma.org](#); [Warren, Bucoda](#); [CPAC](#)
Subject: S. 9th St. and Pacific Ave. - police use of deadly force incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:13:13 PM

Mayor Woodwards,

We've all seen the same images now from the events of Saturday night. In an instant, a police officer makes a reckless decision and suddenly lives are impacted forever. Physical and emotional injuries and trauma that didn't exist before are now cast onto countless individuals and will remain there forever. Trust in institutions further eroded. The eyes of a nation fixed upon YOU, your town, TPD, the Washington Attorney General, the Tacoma public and more. American citizens are sickened by these images and enervate responses that inevitably follow.

Immediately after the incident TPD spokeswoman, Wendy Haddow, released a statement indicating that the officer was afraid the windows of his SUV were going to be broken. Later the statement changed to to indicate that the officer was "fearful for his life," and "feared for his safety." Excuse me while I call bullshit, on these "evolving," statements from the TPD, clearly intended to save face and engender sympathy for the officer who was secure inside his vehicle the entire time. An officer that, unfortunately, was armed to the teeth with military grade weaponry that includes firearms, batons, pepper spray, tasers, handcuffs and oh, let's not forget; a vehicle. Instead of relying on non lethal tools he'd been provided such as a police radio, siren, lights, loudspeaker, and presumably, some amount of training in crowd control, anger management, and deescalation techniques, this officer chose lethal force... Attempted vehicular homicide.

Sunday followed with the ever-so-predictable news that the officer involved had been placed on paid leave pending further investigation... Jesus!!! Really!?!? I don't need 48 seconds to investigate what happened. Investigations are for when the details or facts aren't known. We know the facts! We've all seen the video! The officer ran over human beings with his SUV. That's the investigation. Beginning to end. **The police officer ran over human beings with his SUV.** Imagine if the tables were turned. Imagine the pedestrians were all police officers and the individual in the SUV was a civilian. Does anyone think the civilian would be placed on paid leave from his job and allowed to roam the streets freely while his employer "investigated" what happened. Would the PD be content to do nothing until they learned the findings of the investigation from his employer? We all know the answer...

Now, though, is the moment of truth. Will the officer be fired immediately and tried for vehicular homicide/manslaughter? Will the AG treat the officer/PD preferentially? Will internal corruption shape the narrative and the charges like we saw in Louisville last fall? Will the PD spokesperson be immediately terminated for the disingenuous public statements she provided, or will that be overlooked as standard operating procedure? Will you act to remove any past or current law enforcement officers from the "civilian review board?" More importantly, as we look to our future, will you take strides to demilitarize the TPD? Will you advocate for a new type of peacekeeping organization to replace the paramilitary force that currently exists? Will you ask yourself, and others, if a police chief educated at The Army War College, and a member of the Washington National Guard, is the right person to demilitarize a

police department? Will you use this unfortunate opportunity to make Tacoma an example of what true PD reform can look like, or will you simply do what's been done in the past?

Below is the TPD mission statement and list of values obtained from the TPD website. Ask yourself if the TPD is meeting all of these standards. Heck, ask yourself if the TPD is meeting ANY of these standards as it relates to this incident. If you're like me and the answer is, "absolutely not!" then I encourage you to take real action to bring true justice to this officer and to change the TPD fundamentally so that these police-use-of-force events cease to exist.

Tacoma Police Department Mission Statement

To create a safe and secure environment in which to live, work, and visit by working together with the community, enforcing the law in a fair and impartial manner, preserving the peace and order in our neighborhoods, and safeguarding our Constitutional guarantees.

Our Values

- Act with Integrity
- Respect for Our Employees and Citizens
- Service to Our Community
- Accountability for Our Actions and Results
- Team for the Common Good
- Innovate to Better Serve
- Reverence for the Law

Sincerely,

Guy Richie
615.975.4837

"If you have integrity, nothing else matters. If you do not have integrity, nothing else matters."

From: [TODD meade](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Saturday Incident 01/23/21 - Officer Use of Force
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:00:39 PM

To whom it may concern,

This is the first and by no means will be the last letter I write to our government leaders. We have had enough!

This officer's use of force to defend himself from a dangerous situation appears to us as very justified. Our officers have the right to defend their lives when they respond to incidents that then get out of hand. I believe anyone in the same situation would have reacted the same. It is unfortunate someone got hurt. It is unfortunate they put themselves in the middle of this unruly crowd of lawbreakers.

On the other hand we are absolutely fed up with the amount of lawlessness that our elected leaders are turning a blind eye to. These car clubs who are meeting up in big groups to do stunts in the middle of our roads and highways is beyond ludicrous and must be stopped. It is your responsibility to let your citizens know that you will not allow this to continue. I implore you to direct your focus to this lawlessness that resulted in this incident you are discussing tonight. Each day that goes by that illegal activity is ignored teaches the lawless that they can get away with whatever they choose to do next.

Please understand that we do not want our beautiful city to fall into the same path that Seattle has taken on rioters. A precedence is being set by every action you as a council take. Will you ignore these illegal activities because of the media et al or will you choose to stand with your citizens who rely on you to defend our rights to a peaceful, civil, law abiding society.

I implore you to all take ride-alongs with your police on a regular basis.

Regards,

Jeanne and Todd Meade

From: [Carol Mangan Kindt](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Saturday night & Sunday night January 23&24, 2021
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 12:47:57 PM

I have been an environmental and social justice activist in the city of Tacoma since 2017, when the maggot was elected to occupy the White House. I have eye witnessed police brutality against friends of mine, one a teacher, for participating in a prayer vigil in front of the NWDC in June 2018. No charges were filed against the arrested victim. This same person is a friend of the police officer who ran over at least one person this past Saturday night. She has stated to me that this particular police officer is both well respected and renowned for his efforts to de-escalate situations. I'm very conflicted because I have supported independent investigation into the homicide of Manny Ellis and because as an attorney I'm well aware of two different criminal justice systems, one for wealthy white people and one for poor people and people of color. I urge you to carefully deliberate the facts and not just the Facebook posts. I'm not a fan of Elizabeth Pauli, but also don't want to see one person become the scapegoat for all of the former injustices this city has experienced.

Very truly yours,

Carol M. Kindt
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Sent from my iPhone

From: [Rodney Heupel](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Seattle violence in my Tacoma
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:01:14 PM

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As a tax paying homeowner in Tacoma I support our police dept. Give our police all they need to crush any and all violence on my streets. I demand any and all criminal acts result in the arrests and full prosecution under the letter of the law. Show no mercy. Do not grant any bail or forgiveness.

Rodney Heupel
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From: [Justin Williams](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Special Meeting Questions
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:43:20 PM

Greetings,

I have a few questions about the incident in question.

- * Were the people who were hit by the police vehicle on the road illegally?
- * Did the people who were hit by the police vehicle live in Tacoma?
- * Were the people who assaulted the police vehicle arrested?
- * What level of safety do people exempt themselves from by participation in an illegal event?

Thanks,

Justin

From: [Liz McAllister](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Support of officer
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:41:14 PM

Good afternoon,

I wanted to voice my support for your Tacoma police officer who had a difficult decision to make in a very short amount of time this weekend. The people that should be at fault for this incident are the citizens that broke the law with their street racing and stopping all traffic to do donuts in the street.

When the officer responded and was then surrounded and met with assaulting behavior and as people started to scream and bash his windows, he had to be afraid for his life. Given the current state of events and recent death of a capital police officer I know if I was in his shoes I would be.

The officer deserves our support.

Thank you,
Liz McAllister
253-223-0302

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Dirk Halliwill](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Support our Officers
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:09:15 PM

While I know this letter will almost certainly be ignored I'll write it anyway. The immediate conclusion these days if, when enforcing the law, a civilian is harmed in any way the responding officer or officers are guilty of police brutality. And, if you adhere to the media narrative police brutality and corruption is rampant if not the order of the day. Everyone knows that in every level of government there are those who are incapable of performing their job without screwing up. Police officers, by and large, perform their jobs brilliantly. They show restraint and split second decision making that most in the civilian population cannot even begin to comprehend. I challenge anyone calling into question an officers actions to spend a day being physically and verbally assaulted without losing their temper and doing something about it. Police officers do it every day.

Unfortunately, an officers job has been made even more challenging in todays society by our elected "leadership". They, along with the media, are calling into question everything an officer does and empowering the public to not only challenge an officers authority, but, defy it. You see it everyday when an officer attempts to enforce even the most benign laws. Crowds form around them threatening and intimidating them. The individuals being approached by the officer defies lawful orders as if they have no responsibility to comply. They too, along with the crowds that form, physically challenge the officer. It's disgusting. If the officer does finally attempt to take an individual into custody, he's attacked. If the person he's attempting to detain, or anyone who has inserted themselves into the situation is harmed, it's automatically assumed the officer was overzealous in their attempt to enforce the law. The footage from the 9th and Pacific incident on January 23rd shows a scene that was, essentially, straight out of the Mad Max movie. A street was taken over and shut down by a lawless group of individuals for their own entertainment. When an officer attempted to intervene he was surrounded, threatened and assaulted. As he attempted to extricate himself from a violent situation someone, who had chosen to be a part of the criminal activity, was hurt. Now, the officer is said to have acted inappropriately. Again, I challenge anyone to go place themselves in that officers vehicle or enter that situation on their own and tell me they would have done anything differently than the officer. I can honestly say that if I had inadvertently entered that intersection and the crowd had surrounded my car and threatened me the way they did that officer there would have been more casualties because I wouldn't have had the restraint and presence of mind to extricate myself in a manner that was anywhere near as calculated as the officers was.

Unless you want a continued descent into chaos and lawlessness you will support our officers. City officials should not immediately call for firings and suspensions at the mere mention of transgressions. Let the facts be revealed first and when indicated discipline/fire/suspend officers who violate their oath and/or the law. But if the facts say otherwise, that a criminal was being a criminal and got hurt or killed because of it, support that officer as loudly and as publicly as you would denounce them.

Dirk Halliwill

From: [Carolynn Millen](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Tacoma Police Officer on Leave
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:47:16 PM

I saw a post on FB about submitting comments via here instead of at the meeting. I'm not sure what the meeting is about but I'm assuming I know some of the topics. I am writing in support of the police officer involved in the traffic / mob accident the other night. He did nothing wrong. I beg the police department and city officials to save Tacoma. I'm tired of the shootings, I'm tired of the robberies, I'm tired of pets being stolen, I'm tired of random people wandering parking lots and streets, I'm tired of not feeling safe leaving my home or even being in my home. We are scared. We are tired. Please give us back our security. Put these thugs on notice. Shootings, theft, car racing, vandalism, cavalier attitudes about people's lives and the laws will no longer be tolerated. Thank you for all that you do. Now please, do more.

Sincerely,

Carolynn Millen

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From: [Genevieve Arnold](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Tacoma Police
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:20:02 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

As a lifelong resident of the city of Tacoma, I'm beside myself with worry about the direction of our city. We have an interim chief who clearly doesn't stand by his officers, a mayor who prays for criminals, and a populace who feels helpless. I write this note to say that I stand behind the officer involved in this incident. Until there has been a thorough investigation, the recommendation from this committee should be for elected and interim officials to learn how better to conduct themselves when making comments to the public.

As citizens, we need to feel like our police are supported and that their actions in the face of lawlessness will be supported. With this officer's experience, years on the job, and life experience behind him, it is hard to believe that he made this decision out of malice. It is MUCH easier to believe that he made it based on the situation he was in as well as the current climate regarding law enforcement in Tacoma.

Please don't let Tacoma become more like our friend to the North, Seattle. We have always supported law enforcement in this city and we always will. Whatever power this committee has, as a member of this community, I ask that you use it to create a situation where law enforcement feel supported and backed up by their superiors.

Sincerely,
Genevieve Arnold and family

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Genevieve Allen
Forte Academy
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From: [Emily R and F.](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: The recent cop running crowds over.
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:56:12 PM

Any man or woman can equally be qualified to be a police officer in the United States. However, the police officer should not be qualified to use deadly force on crowds of people. The cop is identical to someone I encountered in the past, he pulled us over for no discernable reason. He asked for the registration for our vehicle. When my husband reached for our papers, the cop put his hand on his gun and appeared very frightened and asked if we had a weapon, which we did not. I was scared as some cops are bad and unpredictable, and I did not know his intentions. A case of mistaken vehicle was the outcome, or tabs; he never explained the reason for pulling us over. He seemed to frighten too easily. Our infant was in the car seat and I wanted to feed my baby, but he held us there for hours for no reason. There was nothing that we did that would have gave him cause to be so fearful of a couple and their child.

The current suffering of young Americans is high producing a more likely hood to commit suicide during COVID-19. They are at a critical point in life where social interaction with others is required as they come out from under the wings of their parents. Living in Tacoma, I know that most of the common venues that would be useful to achieve this interaction have been shut down completely. There is also a lack of jobs available to them, but this could be attributed to a lot; The Boomer generation selling most of the jobs oversea, most of the generations prior to the Zoomers not having jobs that are considered 'essential', further pushing the Zoomers out of work, as they will not get hired over the desperate parents who need to somehow feed their children. Most of the Zoomers did not get relief funds, as they did not meet the requirements listed by the IRA to receive said relief fund. As a result, today's teens and young adults are stressed, depressed, and more likely to engage in risk taking behavior. There should be more leniency for those street racing, prior to law enforcement arriving there, no one got hurt. I would suggest re-opening Pacific Race Way, it would provide a venue for limited social interaction to occur and allow the risk-taking behavior for teens without our law enforcement running them over.

*There is so much taking of freedoms when you live so restrictively.

*Then I see the boomer generation sold the future generations jobs to other countries, so only they rule how others live. This is not a melting pot anymore some people race because its fun and cultural for different Americans. The previous city rulers condemn other for doing what they once did.

*Now Most young adults did not get relief funds and are highly stressed.

*Re open Pacific Race way.

Not to mention we cannot run people over when we scared officer sees fit. According to Wendy Haddow he was scared that they were going to break his glass, so instead he broke their bodies. To justify this behavior requires a lot of mental gymnastics. I feel pity for the officer as it sounds like he had PTSD, but his behavior put all of Tacoma at risk. The officer's actions brought destruction and chaos. If he had not ran a crowd over the city would not have suffered the outsider's destruction. Children in bed would not have heard the constant sirens and the sounds of their city being sundered. It was not a 'win- win' situation, as professional he could have called for backup!

~Emily

From: [Dave Stephens](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: The riots
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:19:33 PM

The Police are the cause, and the riots will recur until the POLICE stop their unlawful fraud. POLICE lack required Personam jurisdiction to ever tell any civilian what to do. Their presumption that civilians are CITIZENS is fraudulent. SCOTUS has ruled that we the people are lawfully not subject. POLICE do nothing but violate their oaths of office and 18 USC 242. POLICE keep trying to do what only a Sheriff, not a SHERIFF, can do.

From: [Cynthia Kaku](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Tonight's meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:39:49 PM

I have seen all the numerous videos of the people doing donuts and drifting on 9th and Pacific. Every single one of those adults was participating in illegal activities. In one video you can even see one car hit a person in red and he's literally sent flying in the air.

When the police officer arrives and they all going running towards him with phones in hand! He was provoked and his vehicle vandalized! Any idiot knows when a cop shows up with lights on YOU GET OUT OF THE WAY!!!!

The officer was left no alternatives. The ONLY reason they were hit is they were in front of an emergency vehicle with lights! They have no one to blame but themselves!

This type of behavior has to stop! It should have zero tolerance! If not, we're going to be the next Seattle.

I fully support the police officer and stand behind our law enforcement officers. Every single one of those punks need to be held responsible for their illegal activities.

Cindy Kaku

From: [Christine Rosenquist](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Tonight's meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 4:02:48 PM

I'd like to know if there are going to be efforts made to identify and go after individuals that were street racing and going after the police officer.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: [Chris Howard](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Tonight's meeting
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 2:31:31 PM

I just wanted to say that having seen the videos and heard and read what was going on that night in Tacoma, and as a tacoma resident, I fully support the officer and his decision to flee the scene. Those law breakers were damaging government property and outnumbered the officer who knows how many to one, any rational adult would have fled for their safety. I sincerely hope that officer is cleared of any wrongdoing and allowed to go back to work.

Chris Howard
Tacoma resident

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S10+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone
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From: [Cheryl Kopec](#)
To: [Woodards, Victoria](#); [Hines, John](#); [Thoms, Robert](#); [Blocker, Keith](#); [Ushka, Catherine](#); [Beale, Chris](#); [Hunter, Lillian](#); [McCarthy, Conor](#); [Walker, Kristina](#); [CPAC](#)
Subject: TPD Accreditation through the WASPC
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 12:56:05 PM

Hello council and committee members,

Today we are holding meetings regarding the events of Saturday night involving the use of force by a TPD officer. I know that this incident is likely to result in new policies, perhaps new programs and training, etc.

I would like to offer an additional idea. My uncle served with law enforcement for over 50 years prior to his recent retirement. We spoke last night about the events in Tacoma, and he expressed surprise and frustration that so many law enforcement agencies around the state are wasting time and money putting together piecemeal programs, trainings, etc. in reaction to adverse events. He recommended that agencies pursue accreditation through the [Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs](#) as a more cost-effective alternative. He claims that no [agency accredited through this program](#) has been involved in a high-profile scandal. The [standards that must be met](#) are quite comprehensive and based on best practices.

Additionally, accreditation could help avoid establishing policies that have unintended consequences. My uncle cited an example of an agency that made it mandatory for a patrol officer to get a supervisor's permission to initiate a vehicle pursuit except in cases of violence. This had the unintended consequence of allowing, for example, DUI's time to escape.

I am hopeful that such a step could improve TPD's effectiveness and morale, rather than responding with more mandatory trainings and new policies, which can sow confusion and disillusionment (having retired from the military, I have opinions on mandatory trainings!). At least I think it would be worthwhile to consider.

Thank you for your time.

Best regards,

~~Cheryl Kopec

From: [KittyBoomhauer](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: TPD Comments
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 5:52:29 PM

We've all seen the videos. Stop with the manufactured outrage. A mob surrounded and attacked a police cruiser. The real issue that needs to be addressed is the lawlessness in our city and why the hell an anarchist mob was having a side/street show in the middle of our downtown. We demand REAL answers for THAT and not this drummed up BS you are now focusing resources on and wasting OUR TAXPAYER money on.

WE DEMAND LAW AND ORDER IN OUR CITY. STOP CATERING TO ANARCHISTS. FIX WHAT YOU HAVE CAUSED. MAKE OUR STREETS SAFE AGAIN, OR GET OUT OF OUR TOWN.

City leadership has been an abject failure and we will no longer tolerate you trying to sell our community out from underneath of us. Remember who you work for. Stop trying to force Marxist policies onto the people who actually foot the bill for this town.

We expect this to be resolved in a reasonable manner.

Sent with [ProtonMail](#) Secure Email.

From: [Will Hutcheon](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Uneducated lazy pigs
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:35:40 PM

I strive to dedicate my energy towards taking every last dime that's allocated to you lazy , uneducated , non-producing, non-progressive wastes of tax payer money

From: [Lisa Ralston](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Use of Force
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 7:27:48 PM

I would like to voice my support for the officer in this case. I have heard many comments of the officer operating out of fear and his life was not in danger. I'm quite sure people stating this have never been a cop surrounded by a mob banging on his vehicle, breaking a window and threatening to pull him out of the car. Police are human beings and not robots and yes, despite training, and restraint they are sure to still have a human response of fear when their life is in imminent danger. Breaking his front window and pulling him out of the car could have happened within several seconds or anyone of the mob surrounding his car could have had a gun to shoot through the window. When did we get to the point where we favor a mob breaking the law, threatening and vandalizing a police vehicle with the officer in it? Years ago had there been a street race and cops showed up people would have dispersed, not surrounded his car and start threatening the officer. These are the same kids that cheated on a test and the parents came in yelling at the teacher for getting their sweet baby in trouble. No consequences for breaking the law anymore and if cops are not allowed to protect themselves I wouldn't blame all of them for quitting and moving to other parts of the country that will allow them to protect themselves from criminals so they can return home to their families at night. Sincerely, Lisa R

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Joe Hartman](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Use of force incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:25:11 PM

As a Tacoma resident I support our police and can only imagine what the officer was dealing with. These "takeovers" involving young kids with no respect or cares of causing harm to others, themselves, public/private property and innocent bystanders has to stop. When you are breaking the law and a police officer shows up you don't pound and jump on their police car and threaten them. Sad a couple people got ran over but they lacked respect and common sense.

Below was posted on Facebook so you can see how these punks have reacted to what they have been doing the last 6 months (lock down related). No remorse, no cause to say maybe this is the wrong thing to do and also has what I would say is a threat to our police. They know nothing will happen to them so continue the behavior and if it does it is the TPD's fault.

You need to support TPD or people will move out and we will be the next Seattle.



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Sent from my iPhone

From: rileylovespolice@outlook.com
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Use of force incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:00:44 PM

My name is Riley Rice, I am 15 and from Spokane. I Have supported police for a long time. This is no exception. With my understanding of the law and the situation the officer in question was in, I believe he acted appropriately considering the circumstance he found himself in. If he would have left his vehicle, he would have been injured. If he didn't drive away when he did, he would have been attacked by the mob. He was blaring his air horn and had his lights and sirens on. That should have been plenty of warning that an emergency vehicle was coming. Also, they were in the middle of the street, where cars go. They should have expected a car to be in the road.

Long time police supporter,
Riley Rice.

From: [Patrick McGregor](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Use of Force Incident
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 1:55:24 PM

Good Afternoon Committee Members,

My name is Pat McGregor and I live in downtown Tacoma, at Foss Harbor Marina. We moved here almost three years ago after having left Tacoma for nine years for downtown living in Puyallup. Most of my time before that was living in the South End and Central area of Tacoma, mainly in higher crime areas. We loved our time in those areas and for the most part, we had nothing but positive interaction with law enforcement. However, the one time it was negative, we had a very hard time "trusting" our department. To this day, I remember that officer's face, his voice and hope that today, he is NOT a police officer. I think that is where many people are in our country, after seeing George Floyd, Manny Ellis and so many other people of color murdered at the hands of the police. As someone who is white, I don't have these interactions on a regular basis like our people of color do in Tacoma, so hearing their experiences is important, but more importantly, their thoughts and ideas on changes in the police department are needed and valuable.

That being said, Saturday was ridiculous. Street racing and doing donuts in the middle of an intersection where there is a low income hotel with children, families walking, where our homeless neighbors often walk that area is unacceptable. Worse, allowing a crowd to egg it on with children present is even worse. Two women were killed in Auburn because of a similar situation. In these instances, our police department was the only way to stop this dangerous event from happening. The crowd did approach the officers car and I imagine he feared for his safety. I don't what he was thinking as he tried to move away from the crowd to no avail. I know if I were in that situation, I would try to get out and fight if I had to. The crowd certainly didn't care much for people's safety, the one person who did care, the officer, was surrounded and his car beaten on by the mob. I don't believe the incident on Saturday can be justified as police brutality, so then, what could it be? I support our Tacoma police officers.

As a school principal, I have to ask myself in incidents like this, is this an example of bad employees not following good policy or good employees following bad policy? I am curious as to why one officer was allowed into the area without backup (maybe there was, but I couldn't see it). This puts the officer in incredible danger, as you could see from the video. If backup is coming, why send him into the crowd right away? What other strategies could be used to deescalate? While I am not condoning the crowd or the racers that night, sending a car into the middle does not seem like a good way to deescalate any situation. We know TPD has a long way to go in how it polices our city, so I hope the policies and procedures are carefully reviewed so this situation does not happen again. we need a clear strategy on dealing with larger calls, perhaps some CPTED measures to make it more difficult for street racing to occur so our families can feel safe in the city.

The CPAC was formed to review police policy, review policy complaints and provide advice to our council and city manager and police department. I hope that is the lens you take in this matter. Thank you for hearing me and for taking on this incredibly hard task of weeding through complex issues.

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“That you are here — that life exists, and identity; that the powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse. That the powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse. What will your verse be?”

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From: [Tara Newton](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Was mental health support offered to witness of this tragic event???
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:49:08 PM

Be Well,

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*"Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave,
I am the dream and the hope of the slave.*

I rise

I rise

I rise." -Maya Angelou

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From: [PATRICK EDDY](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: We need to support our officers
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 6:10:14 PM

I have never done an email like this before. But having an event like this so close to home. Our offices need to know we support them. I was born in Tacoma and have grown up with in 20miles of Tacoma now living back in Tacoma. We can't have crazy people rushing our officers with no fear. When I see a story like this I think back to just a short time ago when officers where beaten in Washington DC. We can't have mobs running our streets. I feel this officer did every thing they could try to remove there self from grounds. With great restrain on not using there firearm. It is my hope with all the videos that the mob can be charged with some thing to get the message out that Tacoma will not stand for it. If our officers are in fear, what chance does a normal non trained person have? Thank you for your time.

Patrick Eddy

Sent from my iPhone

From: [B Faker](#)
To: [CPAC](#)
Subject: Written Comment
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 3:24:51 PM

Good afternoon,

I watched multiple videos of the chaos that erupted in downtown tacoma on January 23rd and wanted to express my support for the officer and the Tacoma Police Department and my well wishes for those injured. I have seen these "car clubs" on social media and across town swinging their cars around and damaging peoples pavement not to mention the young teens seriously injured in Auburn last December.

These dangerous and illegal activities need to stop. What permits these car enthusiasts to endanger others lives and destroy innocent peoples property?

It is sad and tragic that the officer had to make impact with those that were putting him in danger but it never would have come to this had the bystanders followed the officers commands.

Car enthusiasts are not above the law.

Respectfully,

B.F

(Initials are to remain anonymous so this lawless mob of car enthusiasts does not come after me)