

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I posted this and it is NOT in the file. What is going on? Resending now. The plans here are vague and stinky. We need MUCH MORE transparency. It is not enough to parcel amounts and attach the words "youth" and "jobs" and "non-profits" to them. City Council is a like a vacuum for funds. Here is a tip: the only way to help youth is for them to be housed. The pandemic is wreaking havoc on our communities. Talking about workforce training etc means nothing in this context. This body needs to get focused on immediate solutions to the crisis around us- take that money that was supposedly reallocated from a proposed budget increase for the LAPD and make meaningful plans. the word "beautification" should fall NOWHERE in this budget, as that is a couched term for efforts to sweep the homeless crisis and unhoused individuals under the rug while pandering to property-owners. The people who put you all in your seats are not plentiful enough to keep you there. To squander this budget and construct these opaque channels is not the way to make bold changes. None of you should be doing anything other than fighting tooth and nail for COVID relief and a rent and mortgage freeze.