CITY COUNCIL Lori Wilson, Mayor Wanda Williams, Mayor Pro-Tem Anthony Adams Jane Day Michael A. Segala



### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

First and Third Tuesday Every Month

### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SUISUN CITY COUNCIL SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2020 9:00 A.M.

### JOSEPH NELSON COMMUNITY CENTER - 611 VILLAGE DRIVE -- SUISUN CITY, CALIFORNIA, 94585

### **NOTICE**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, Subdivision (b), and Executive Order released on March 12, 2020, the following Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority meeting includes teleconference participation by: Council/Board Members Anthony Adams, Jane Day, Michael A. Segala, and Mayor Pro Tem Wanda Williams. Teleconference locations are on file at City Hall, 701 Civic Center Blvd., Suisun City, CA 94585.

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(Next Ord. No. -772)

(Next City Council Res. No. 2020 – 67)

Next Suisun City Council Acting as Successor Agency Res. No. SA2020 - 02)

(Next Housing Authority Res. No. HA2020 – 01)

### **ROLL CALL**

Council Member

Pledge of Allegiance – (Ruth Forney, Former Solano County Supervisor) Invocation – (Pastor John Butcher, The Building Christian Fellowship)

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(Request by citizens to discuss any matter under our jurisdiction other than an item posted on this agenda per California Government Code §54954.3. Comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes unless allowable by the Mayor/Chair. Speaker cards are available on the table near the entry of the meeting room and should be given to the City Clerk. By law, no prolonged discussion or action may be taken on any item raised during the public comment period, although informational answers to questions may be given and matters may be referred for placement on a future agenda.)

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST NOTIFICATION**

(Any items on this agenda that might be a conflict of interest to any Councilmembers should be identified at this time.)

### **REPORTS: (Informational items only.)**

- 1. Overview/Ground Rules (Wilson: lwilson@suisun.com).
- 2. City Structure (Folsom: <u>gfolsom@suisun.com</u>).
- 3. Overview of Suisun City Police Department (SCPD) (Roth: aroth@suisun.com).

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### City Council

- 4. Responding to Open Letter from African American Organization of Solano County (AAOSC)

   (Latressa Wilson-Alford and Tiffanee Jones Representing AAOSC)
- 5. Consideration of Adopting Policies Related to Campaign Zero's General Campaign or other Specific Campaign of #8cantwait.
- 6. Renewing the Social Contract between Suisun City Police Department and the Community.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(Additional time for request by citizens to discuss any matter under our jurisdiction other than an item posted on this agenda limited to no more than 3 minutes.)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A complete packet of information containing staff reports and exhibits related to each item for the open session of this meeting, and provided to the City Council, are available for public review at least 72 hours prior to a Council/Agency/Authority Meeting at Suisun City Hall 701 Civic Center Blvd., Suisun City. Agenda related writings or documents provided to a majority of the Council/Board/Commissioners less than 72 hours prior to a Council/Agency/Authority meeting related to an agenda item for the open session of this meeting will be made available for public inspection during normal business hours. An agenda packet is also located at the entrance to the Council Chambers during the meeting for public review. The City may charge photocopying charges for requested copies of such documents. Assistive listening devices may be obtained at the meeting

### PLEASE NOTE:

- 1. The City Council/Agency/Authority hopes to conclude its public business by 10:00 P.M. Ordinarily, no new items will be taken up after the 10:00 P.M. cutoff and any items remaining will be agendized for the next meeting. The agendas have been prepared with the hope that all items scheduled will be discussed within the time allowed.
- 2. Suisun City is committed to providing full access to these proceedings; individuals with special needs may call 421-7300.
- 3. Agendas are posted at least 72 hours in advance of regular meetings at Suisun City Hall, 701 Civic Center Boulevard, Suisun City, CA. Agendas may be posted at other Suisun City locations including:
  - Suisun City Fire Station, 621 Pintail Drive, Suisun City, CA;
  - Suisun City Senior Center, 318 Merganser Drive, Suisun City, CA;
  - Joe Nelson Center, 611 Village Drive, Suisun City, CA;
  - Harbor Master Office, 800 Kellogg Street, Suisun City, CA.

I, Donna Pock, Deputy City Clerk for the City of Suisun City, declare under penalty of perjury that the above agenda for the meeting of June 13, 2020 was posted and available for review, in compliance with the Brown Act.



# A Letter from African American Organizations of Solano County

June 5, 2020

Open Letter to the following elected officials and leaders of:

U.S. Representatives Mike Thompson and John Garamendi, California Senator Bill Dodd, California Assemblymembers Tim Grayson, Jim Frazier, and Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Solano County Board of Supervisors, Board Commissions, Board of Education, School Districts, Charter Schools, District Attorney Offices, Police Departments and Fire Departments, Sheriff's Department, Probation Departments, County Health Leaders and other community leaders serving Benicia, Vallejo, Suisun City, Fairfield, Dixon, Rio Vista and Vacaville residents.

For several weeks, African Americans have been processing the recent deaths of Ahmaud Arbery and Breonna Taylor while at the same time, reeling from the devastating effects and challenges of COVID-19 that has disproportionately affected the black community at high rates. Then came the horrific death of George Floyd, in full view of the world that stunned many, adding to the community's unrelenting trauma and grief and disgust.

Individually and collectively, we have reached a breaking point.

This letter comes from the following organizations that were founded to address the needs and concerns of African-Americans throughout Solano County: African American Alliance, Community Democratic Club, Greater Vallejo Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (Tri-City and Vallejo Chapters), the National Council of Negro Women-Vallejo Section, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women Inc. Oakland/Bay Area Chapter., St. Mark Community Church, Faith Fellowship Baptist Church, Living Our Destiny Community Church, Calvary Community Church, Friendship Baptist Church, St.

Stephen C.M.E. Church, King Solomon M.B.C., St. James Community Church, Fresh Start Church, Emmanuel Temple Apostolic Church, The Hill, The Lord's Fellowship, Church of The Redeemed, Victory Outreach, Greater Purpose, Rehoboth World Outreach, Faith Point Church, Impact Bible Ministries, New Hope Church Community, Jesus Risen Lord Fellowship, Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, Love Life COGIC, Good Samaritan Missionary Baptist Church, Taylor Chapel C. M. E., St. Matthew Baptist Church, Bethel Community Church of Fairfield, Kyles Temple AME Zion Church, Solano Black Chamber of Commerce, Solano/Napa Chapter of Black Women Organized for Political Action (BWOPA), Links Inc. of Solano County, Solano County Panhellenic Greek Letter Organization Council, Freemasons Firma Lodge No.27.

We thank those who are working each day toward building systems that advance the conditions of African American people. However, to all racist people, systems, and institutions that perpetuate and nurture an environment of racism, we say, "Get your knees off our necks. We can't breathe. Get your weapons out of our faces. We can't live. Get your hands off our children who represent the future. They can't grow and become productive citizens in their communities. If any of these demands cannot be met by you, find another career elsewhere and in another community.

We can't turn on the news or scroll through our social media pages without seeing the results of 400 years of neglect at the hands of our country's institutions that refuse to recognize the humanity of African Americans.

In response to persistent injustices, we are witnessing hundreds of Americans nation- and world-wide who are peacefully protesting for change. Even more powerful are the personal/organizational protests occurring within our spirits/organizations and the collective planning and organizing.

We must now move from protests to substantive policy change. We must be able to respond to our children and their children's children when they ask what we did during these troubled times to impact the community and make a difference?

What lessons did we leave behind that they can learn from and model? Therefore, we are pronouncing a clarion call of action that compels us to be proactive, addressing all potential contributing factors that are a detriment to African Americans.

We must fuel a county-wide movement in which we take intentional steps to ensure that not one more African American's life is lost due to senseless violence, and not one more African American must face a lack of access to responsive systems, be our city or county systems.

With unanimous and unapologetic voices, we demand across-the-board policy change, and strategic plans to explicitly address the needs of the African American community within public agencies bound to serve all citizens.

We will not wait any longer for steps to be taken. We request that your agency develop and post on your website an "Actions to Address the Needs of African-Americans," no later than the close of business day September 30, 2020. The action plan should include the following:

- 1. Contact local U.S. Senators and demand that the Senate debate and vote on H.R.1 (For the People Act) that has passed the House of Representatives. H.R.1 would restore the Voting Rights Act and limit voter suppression. This legislation is critical as we move toward the November elections and future of our communities.
- 2. Approve ACA-5: Repeal of Prop 209 that would ensure that fair hiring practices in California are implemented, so that African Americans can have access to public jobs. Your commitment to ACA-5 would solidify your commitment to standing up against racism and intolerance that national politicians have used to divide the country.
- 3. Approve AB-3121 Task Force to Study and Develop Reparations for African Americans. Your support of the reparations bill would send a message to your constituents that you are serious about correcting the inequalities and injustices that have plagued the Black community for centuries.
- 4. Implement a restructuring of the California Officers Bill of Rights to include the following: require police officers to wear body cameras, develop de-escalation training for law enforcement officers, require implicit bias training for all police officers, sheriff deputies, correctional officers and probation officers.
- 5. Review of each jurisdiction's use of force policy and review of its alignment with AB 932: Peace Officers Deadly Force. Each City within Solano County should establish a Citizens Review Board that is funded and professionally staffed to remove Officers who have been found to use excessive and deadly force.
- 6. Require all cities in Solano County, including the Solano County Sheriff's Department to establish a Human Relations Commission that meets monthly, requiring the collection of statistical information on excessive use of force complaints.
- 7. Require 30 percent of all City and County Boards and Commissions to have African American representation on the Board.
- 8. Allocate yearly funding and resources to ensure that African Americans in Solano County have access to culturally-based and responsive mental health services.

The action plan should also include disaggregated data presentations, goals set for African American outcomes, immediate next steps to achieve those goals, along with long-term strategic action steps, and appropriate budget allocations.

We are making these specific and crucial demands now mainly because it is past time to develop transformative solutions. Historically, once protests have ended, and emotions subsided, systems often revert to practices that caused the systemic negative outcomes for the African American community to what it is today.

Moreover, as African Americans have been affected by COVID-19, we require all systems to leverage resources and work in concert with one another to address the needs of the community.

We look forward with great anticipation to your response, in the form of a comprehensive action plan. Dr. King once said: "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

We see there are names on this petition who in the past have not at all been supportive of Black Lives. You have publicly attacked leaders in our community. We SEE you and remember your names. Please know by signing this petition it does not permit you to act in the same manner. Your signature will not serve as a cover for you to exclaim I'm not a racist. We pray for your changed heart and actions.

Change is possible when we all work towards it and believe in justice for all!

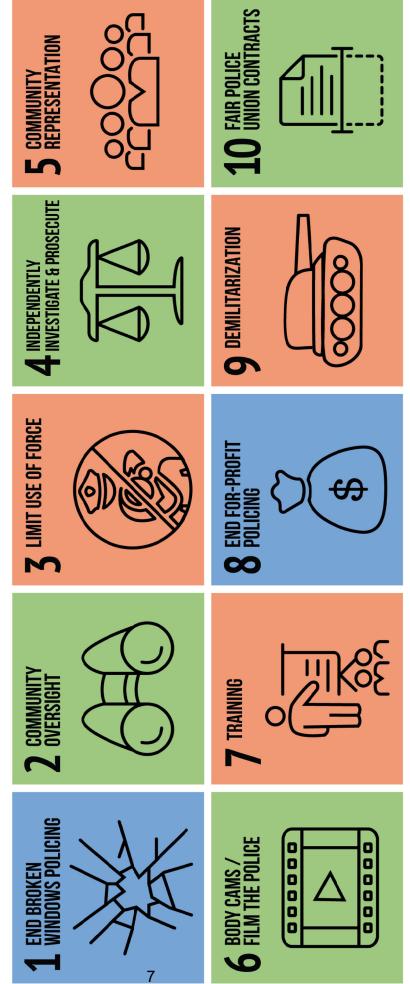
For more information, please contact solanoblackaction@gmail.com

Respectfully Submitted, African American Organizations of Solano County

### Item 5

# **CAMPAIGN ZERO**

WE CAN LIVE IN A WORLD WHERE THE POLICE DON'T KILL PEOPLE BY LIMITING POLICE INTERVENTIONS, IMPROVING COMMUNITY | **AND ENSURING ACCOUNT** 



WE CAN LIVE IN A WORLD WHERE SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES DO GOOD, NOT HARM.

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From: Eboni Robinson

To: <u>Lori Wilson; hprice@fairfield.ca.gov; rkott@ci.rio-vista.ca.us; t.bogue@ci.dixon.ca.us;</u>

bob.sampayan@cityofvallejo.net

**Subject:** #8cantwait

**Date:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 1:39:23 PM

### Hello,

My name is Eboni Robinson and I am a resident of Suisun City, CA. With the recent events in our country, I am urging you all to take a close look your city's police department policies. There are 8 policies that can decrease police violence by 72%. These policies include requiring officers to de-escalate situations which eliminates the use of force. I provided a link to the site and I would like a response from each of you on how you plan to keep ALL of your city's residents safe.

### https://8cantwait.org/

Eboni Robinson A concerned mother and Solano County Resident

Sent from my iPhone

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# **#8**CANTWAIT

TAKE ACTION RIGHT NOW.



## IMMEDIATE HARM REDUCTION

USE OF FORCE POLICIES

**DEMILITARIZATION** 

DOJ CONSENT DECREES

POLICE UNION CONTRACTS



# COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY SAFETY

**DIVEST FROM POLICE** 

INVEST IN COMMUNITY, INCLUDING HOUSING, JOBS AND EDUCATION

**PAY LIVING WAGES** 

DRAMATICALLY
REDUCE JAIL & PRISON
POPULATIONS

**RESTORATIVE JUSTICE** 



FUND COMMUNITY SAFETY

**FULLY DEFUND POLICE** 

END THE CARCERAL STATE

RESOURCE HEALTHY COMMUNITY PRACTICES & NEEDS

Research shows more restrictive use of force policies can reduce killings by police and save lives. Tell your city to adopt all eight of these policies.

BAN CHOKEHOLDS & STRANGLEHOLDS



REQUIRE DE-ESCALATION



REQUIRE WARNING BEFORE SHOOTING



REQUIRES EXHAUST ALL ALTERNATIVES BEFORE SHOOTING



**DUTY TO INTERVENE** 



BAN SHOOTING AT MOVING VEHICLES



REQUIRE USE OF FORCE CONTINUUM



REQUIRE COMPREHENSIVE REPORTING

