

CCpresentations

From: Tom Crain <tbcrain@pacbell.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 1:47 PM
To: CCPresentations
Subject: Regarding Consent Item 8

Regarding Consent item 8, the 2019 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

License Plate Recognition technology remains problematic and is in widespread use. The issue is not so much with the technology as such, but with its use. There is a massive, virtually unchecked invasion of privacy going on as we are being tracked and surveilled without our knowledge or consent. Huge databases of information on our location and movements are being used for who knows what purposes. As often happens with new and exciting technology, its deployment lacks the necessary checks and balances that, in this case, are required to preserve privacy rights. The technology this grant money buys requires close monitoring to avoid infringement of basic civil rights.

Tom Crain, Board Chair

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Stephanie Lopez

From: Julissa Martinez <julissa.martinez0@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 8:31 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

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From: Lorraine Khamis <lorraine905601@my.yosemite.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:47 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Agenda Item #8

Hi,

My name is Lorraine and upon looking up Policy 462, I found that "reasonable suspicion or probable cause is not required before using an ALPR" this directly contradicts what the police chief just stated to us, meaning anybody could be targeted. The police department wants us to think that this technology will be put in place to help us, but just like everything else, it will probably end up being used against the community negatively. Please do not consider this agenda item. Thank you.

Stephanie Lopez

From: Camille Velten <camille.velten@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:15 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

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Best, Camille Velten

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From: Chloe David <chloed9@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 6:15 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: [BULK] REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

Importance: Low

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Chloe David

Stephanie Lopez

From: Josie Neifer <josieneifer@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:50 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: [BULK] REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

Importance: Low

To whom it may concern,

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Thank you for your time,

Josie Neifer

Stephanie Lopez

From: Leia Johnson <leiajohnson26@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:36 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: [BULK] REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

Importance: Low

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Sincerely,
Leia Johnson

Stephanie Lopez

From: Adriana Uchishiba <adriana869800@my.yosemite.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:29 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Agenda 8

Modesto City Council,
I, Adriana, Uchishiba, am also requesting that agenda 8 is removed. Thank you.

Stephanie Lopez

From: Makisha Singh <makishasingh@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:28 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: City Council Public Comment Agenda Item 8

Hello,

I'm Makisha Singh and I'm asking the council to reject agenda item 8.

As awareness regarding the benefits of defunding the police spreads nationwide, the community realizes that private funding unlinked to city budgets further risks occurrences of police brutality. We demand the defunding of the Modesto Police Department.

The continued murders of black people by police have sparked a national reckoning with how we approach policing, and by extension, surveillance. Every part of this country must actively listen to the calls of the movement.

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Thanks,
Makisha

Stephanie Lopez

From: Outtapocketbrii ☐ <brianna024@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:22 PM
To: Council Meetings
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From: Jozette Luke <lukejozette@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:22 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: [BULK] REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

Importance: Low

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Regards,

Nora Durham

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From: Lorenza Figueroa <ljfigueroa67@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:12 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: [BULK] Agenda Item #8

Importance: Low

Hello, I'm Lorenza Figueroa and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

The community realizes that as the conversation around defunding the police grows nationwide, the usage of private funding not linked to city budgets is only a mere tactic to fund the police. We the people demand the defunding of the Modesto Police Department.

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Stephanie Lopez

From: Amian Culala <amianculala@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:08 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: REMOVE AGENDA 8 From CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Mayor Brandvold and City Council members,

As a Modesto Resident, I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

The usage of private funding not linked to city budgets is only a mere tactic to fund the police.

As many residents are calling for the defunding of Modesto PD, we are challenging the role of policing and surveillance. One of the major problems tied to LPR technology is that we know that this technology is disproportionately used on persons of color, immigrants, and low-income communities. This means that these populations have a higher chance of having their information stored in an LPR database and ultimately tracked. For example, in New York ALPR technology was used for years as part of their surveillance tactics against Muslim communities.

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Thank you for your time,

Jorie Mae Alvarado

2700 New York Avenue, Modesto, CA 95355

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Stephanie Lopez

From: Olivia Hill <ohill@csustan.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 5:02 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: LPR Technology in Modesto

To the Council,

I want to request that the Council remove or delay the agenda item regarding accepting funds for LPR technology in our community. The unrest seen across the country and within our community shows that strengthening police surveillance is not only unacceptable but a violation. The recent police murders of black and brown people have called the public to pay close attention to police training, how police carry out their jobs and the use of force. People across America are saying enough, and so must the city of Modesto. You may ask why is accepting funds for LPR technology dangerous? It is because we know this technology disproportionately affects persons of color, immigrants, and low-income communities. I am sure every council member has had a moment of fear thinking of their data being collected and stored or sold against your will. Even for people who have never committed a crime, the idea of this violation of privacy is incredibly scary. Imagine having data collected without your knowledge and used against you arbitrarily for crimes you may not have committed. Consequently, it can reveal information that we otherwise want to keep private. For example, in New York, ALPR technology was used for years as part of their surveillance tactics against Muslim communities. ALPR technology is also plagued with legal problems because it can track and map out our daily movements. At least one court has found that LPR technology violated a state privacy law. The court found that the ALPR information, coupled with data from databases containing other information like criminal and DMV records, can provide the identity of a vehicle's owner. LPR technology could also be a direct violation of the Fourth Amendment's protection of privacy, as seen by the U.S. Supreme Court, which held that long-term tracking is a privacy violation under the Fourth Amendment. At the very least, the Council should consider the financial costs of the police and the city being sued for violations of Constitutional rights. There are too many questions that need answers before expanding LPR use in Modesto. Before the city decides to move forward with approving this grant, at the very least, the Modesto Police should develop a use policy, which includes: What is the purpose of getting the technology? How will it be used? How is data stored, and for how long? If and how other City or non-City entities can access or use the information (For example: will it explicitly prohibit sharing of data with ICE? This has been the case in many other cities across the state and across the country). How people will be trained on the tech. I implore the Council to imagine your privacy being violated in this way. For these reasons, I request that the Council remove or delay this agenda item.

Thank you,
Olivia Hill

Stephanie Lopez

From: Lizzeth Zermeno <zermenolizzeth@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:59 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Private Funding

Hello, I'm Lizzeth Zermeno and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

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Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Stephanie Lopez

From: Jessica Nila <jsscnila@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:18 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Public comment from Modesto Resident for 6/23/20

Hello, I'm Jessica Nila a resident of Modesto residing in district 6 and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

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As a public health professional who made it my life's goal to create a community where all have the ability to be healthy this proposal does the opposite. I purposely came back to Modesto after my education to help create a thriving community for the most marginalized. I ask you to remove agenda item 8 and seek guidance from community organizers on steps that can be taken that are based in transformative justice principles.

Jessica Nila MPH

Stephanie Lopez

From: Marco Romo Gonzalez <mromo1@csustan.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:14 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Public Comment Agenda Item #8

Hello, I would like to request that the Council remove or delay this agenda item. Item #8.

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For these reasons, I request that the Council remove or delay this agenda item.

Thank you for your time,

Marco Romo

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Marco Romo-Gonzalez
Physics & Ethnic Studies Double Major
he/him & they/them

Stephanie Lopez

From: CCpresentations
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 4:02 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: FW: REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

From: priscilla solorio [mailto:priscilla.marie.solorio@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:44 PM
To: CCpresentations
Subject: REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY AGENDA ITEM #8

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Best Regards,
Priscilla Solorio

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Subject: FW: REQUEST THAT COUNCIL DELAY ADENDA ITEM #8

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Thank you,
Larissa Alvarez

Stephanie Lopez

From: Actions Overhashtags <actionsoverhashtags@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:56 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: City Council Public Comment Agenda Item 8

Hello, I'm name is Lee Corley and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

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Stephanie Lopez

From: Aracely Duran <aduran16@csustan.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:56 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: REMOVE AGENDA 8

Hello, I'm Aracely E. Duran and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

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Stephanie Lopez

From: Efren Diaz <ejrdiaz@ucdavis.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:46 PM
To: Council Meetings
Subject: Modesto City Council Meeting - Agenda #8

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"I am not free while any woman is unfree, even when her shackles are very different from my own." - Audre Lorde

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Thank you,
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From: Julissa Ruiz Ramirez <jruizramirez@csustan.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:30 PM
To: CCPresentations
Subject: Modesto City Council Meeting 6.23.2020 Public Comment Agenda Item #8

Hello, I'm Julissa Ruiz Ramirez and I am asking the council to remove agenda number 8.

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From: Melisa Koessel <mkoessel@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:17 PM
To: CCPresentations
Subject: Budget meeting

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From: David Tucker <david.tucker@stanfordalumni.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 3:08 PM
To: CCPresentations
Subject: Use of License Plate readers

I am opposed to the item on tonight's City Council agenda for purchasing license plate readers. This item should as a minimum, be put off to allow more discussion and community input. The use of this technology raises Fourth Amendment concerns. It has traditionally been used disproportionately against people of color. Please remove from tonight's council agenda.

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Dave Tucker

Riverbank, California

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From: Thomas Helme <tahelme209@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2020 2:58 PM
To: CCpresentations
Cc: Tony Madrigal
Subject: Grant for LPR, surveillance technology

Dear Modesto City Council,

- **I, Thomas Helme, would like to request that the Council remove or delay agenda item number 8.**
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Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Thomas Helme
Resident, Modesto, District 2