

From: [Barnes, Stewart M.](#)
To: [Joe P. Gatto \(Ext\)](#)
Cc: [Gallardo, Raymond A.](#); [Quimet, Donald E.](#); [Newman, Scott W.](#); [Nablo, Jon O.](#); [Morgan, Shawn C.](#)
Subject: Re: Language Changes to New Article III Ch. 86
Date: Monday, June 8, 2020 12:39:10 PM

Councilman Gatto,

I have included the E-Board of the Association in my reply.

Obviously, my opinion is that 98% of this is already policy and implemented when it comes to how we police the public. I am not naïve enough to believe that this policy has not and will not be violated, **unintentionally**. When those instances have occurred, our department has always investigated thoroughly and taken what they believed to be appropriate action.

What I do know is that the officers will become more *hesitant* to do their job and that hesitancy causes indecision, that officers will *hesitate* to put themselves in harms way, that officers will *second guess* that involvement in any situation as if to say...**"Do I really need to take the risk which, no matter what I do will generate a complaint simply because the public can, and then later the complaint will be held against me in performance reviews, promotional testing, and positional job postings even though it was exonerated as now it is a statistical variant that the officer will always have to answer to."** It will make recruiting/retention even more difficult, and will possibly rush officers out the door who now will not be willing to risk their livelihood to the whims of the mob and unscrupulous attorneys.

This ordinance is meant to tie the hands of law enforcement from doing what it is suppose to do.....enforce the law. It is meant to "appease" a riotous mob and protestors.

I know that the council too, has to answer to the public which includes the mob and protestors. For that reason, the ordinance as proposed, will only change the policing methodology of a well run department, possibly endangering the public. Our organization will adapt as necessary, we always have, as we have always provided for our citizens, the public in general, and our visitors.

Thank you for your support, your inquisitive nature of this entire process ensuring that it is well scrutinized ...it has not gone unnoticed.

Stew Barnes
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From: [REDACTED]<[REDACTED]@barattas.com>
Sent: Monday, June 8, 2020 11:34 AM
To: Barnes, Stewart M. <SMBarnes@dmgov.org>

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Take a look and tell me what you think.

Joe
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Begin forwarded message:

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Mayor and Council,
The first attachment shows changes from the public document shared on Friday. The second attachment is a clean version.
This will be shared with Betty and placed on our website shortly.
Scott

From: [Wingert, Dana D.](#)
To: [Joe P. Gatto \(Ext\)](#)
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Subject: Re: Daily Update
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 8:17:02 AM

There is an event scheduled today at 11am- East HS. We will monitor.

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On Jun 9, 2020, at 8:14 AM, Joe Gatto <Joe@barattas.com> wrote:

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great job

Thank You

joe

On Tue, Jun 9, 2020 at 8:09 AM Schulte, Jen L. <JLSchulte@dmgov.org> wrote:

Mayor and Council,

I have nothing new to report today. No arrests or damage. I also do not see any events, as of now. We will continue to monitor social media.

I know Kay worked hard last night to manage the meeting; however, a shout out also needs to be given to IT. They worked quickly to pull down videos that kept popping up. Participation of the meeting was high. The Zoom call had just under 1000 participants and the You Tube channel has over 2100 views.

Anna and I will debrief on last night and see if we have additional recommendations for the next meeting.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Thanks.

Jen Schulte
Director of Government Relations & Communications

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