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CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 18, 2021

P.1 DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY GEORGE GASCÓN

**ADOPT BY TITLE ONLY RESOLUTION NO. CC-2105-045, A
RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO
BEACH, CALIFORNIA, EXPRESSING A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY GEORGE GASCÓN**

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Khatirah Nazif

From: Jon Hatami [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 5:50 AM
To: CityClerk
Subject: FOR PUBLIC COMMENT - Regarding the city council no confidence vote on LA DA George Gascon's Policies and Directives
Attachments: Redondo Beach City Council Statement.docx
Categories: Khatirah



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To: Mayor and Redondo Beach City Councilmembers:

Attached is my statement regarding your upcoming no confidence vote on LA DA George Gascon's policies and directives.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hatami
Valencia, CA
[REDACTED] (personal cell)

Deputy District Attorney

Good evening Mayor and Redondo Beach City councilmembers. Thank you for allowing me an opportunity to address Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon's policies and directives and how they ultimately affect the safety of the children, families, and community members in Redondo Beach.

I do not live in Redondo Beach. However, as a child abuse prosecutor, I handle cases involving abused and neglected children throughout Los Angeles County. The safety of children and families anywhere and everywhere is important to me. We are all interconnected. We are all a part of one community. We are all Angelenos. And, public safety is important to all of us. We all want to live in a community that is safe for children and families.

I would like to make it clear that I am talking to you as a father of two children, a husband of a LASD domestic violence detective, and a child abuse prosecutor. I am also talking to you as someone who is raising my children in Los Angeles. And it should be obvious to you by now that I do not represent the official positions of my office.

The policies and directives implemented by Gascon adversely affect the public safety in Redondo Beach. These policies do not help or support the residents of Redondo Beach. Basically, these policies provide comfort and support to criminals and wrongdoers.

As early as last week, Gascon said, "enhancements...do not work, even for hate crimes." This clearly shows that Gascon has even abandoned our most vulnerable victims and survivors. Most hate crime victims do not even come forward for fear that they will be victimized further, and their case will not be taken seriously or handled with care and compassion. Hate crimes not only affect the victim, but also families, communities, and even the entire country. Gascon's confusing and ever-changing policies regarding hate crimes allegations have likely caused many more victims to not come forward. More innocent people will likely get hurt and abused. They will also feel like the system has abandoned them. A DA should follow the law and seek justice, as long as she/he has the evidence, no matter how difficult the charge will be to prove. The DA of Los Angeles is supposed to fight for everyone.

Gascon implemented \$0 bail for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are repeat offenders. This policy is a direct violation of the will of the people. Millions of Angelenos voted against \$0 bail in the fall of 2020. The DA has even disallowed the "out-on-bail" enhancement. That means a person can commit domestic violence, child abuse, theft crimes, vandalism, battery, second and third-time DUI, and all sorts of other crimes, get arrested, and then get released within 48 hours on \$0 bail. That person can then re-offend and we are not permitted to file the "out-on-bail" enhancement. There is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop a criminal from continuously re-offending.

The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public, and resisting arrest. This means that individuals can harass patrons and community members in the mall, the supermarket, at a restaurant, a daycare center, a school, or just about anywhere, resist arrest and attack the police when deputies and officers are called, and the wrongdoer will be released within 48 hours with no charge. These policies will lead to diminished quality of life in Redondo Beach and the lack of

punishment or deterrence will eventually lead to those individuals committing more serious crimes. These policies will also destroy the morale of the deputies and officers who honorably patrol our neighborhoods.

Many of these misdemeanor directives also adversely affect the prosecution of sex trafficking cases. It emboldens pimps and sex traffickers to abuse young people and the most vulnerable in our communities.

Gascon has also permanently disallowed the filing of special circumstances in any case - forever. If a person in Redondo Beach rapes and murders a child, tortures a vulnerable victim to death, commits a hate crime murder, kills a police officer, or is a serial killer, that person could be paroled at some point. Gascon never once mentioned during his campaign for LADA that he would completely remove special circumstances. This policy is against the will of the voters, violates the law, and completely ignores justice and public safety. It is also a slap in the face to all surviving family members.

Gascon has also permanently disallowed the transfer of juveniles to adult court in any case - forever. This means, if a 17 ½-year-old murders two children in a gang-related shooting, that double murderer will be released when he is 25-years-old or earlier. Gascon has also supported legislation to remove the murder charge as a strike even if the double murderer gets released and murders again. There is absolutely no consideration for public safety, victim's rights, personal accountability or punishment.

Releasing violent criminals from prison early into our communities will not result in less crime. That is not what victims and survivors want. Not alleging a gun or gang allegation or a torture or special circumstance will not result in safer communities or less recidivism. Not punishing violent criminals appropriately will not result in less crime or public safety. Not following the law and enacting blanket policies is not fair or just. The most recent statistics are clear from LASD and LAPD, crime, especially shootings, assaults, and murders, have dramatically increased over the last six months. The so-called "data and science" of Gascon is not true or accurate.

This is not a Republican or a Democratic issue. This is a human rights issue. This is a community issue. This is a public safety issue. Murder, rape, child torture, and gang killings are not Republican crimes or Democratic crimes, they are just crimes against all of us. Child abuse does not happen in blue states, or red states. It happens in every state. Just because someone was voted in by the people does not mean he or she is above the law. No one is above the law, not even the DA. Most voters did not expect the LA DA would be siding with violent criminals. Most voters did not think the LA DA would call a 17-1/2-year-old that brutally murdered two young mothers a "victim." Most voters did not think the LA DA would be siding with a carjacker and fighting in court to dismiss provable firearms allegations. That is not public safety.

Leadership does not come from power or your title. It does not come from winning an election. Inconsistencies, the complete failure to follow the law, personal politics, and implementing blanket policies from a person who has never tried one case as a prosecutor shows a complete crisis in leadership regarding Gascon's directives. His policies completely ignore the rights of victims and

their families, while focusing exclusively on the criminal and wrongdoer. His policies also disregard the law, public safety, and the will of the voters; and could lead to dangerous results.

I think the residents of Redondo Beach need to take a stand and be one voice in support of the victims, surviving families, children, and all the vulnerable members of our communities.

Thank you.

Jonathan Hatami

Valencia, CA

Khatirah Nazif

From: KATHY GIORDANO <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:58 AM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Comment

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Dear "Nonpartisan Elected city council members,

I first want to say thank you and applaud all of you for making safety a priority for ALL of US by putting the a "Vote of No Confidence" in the newly elected DA George Gascon on the agenda.

I'm sure we all remember, the horrific crime against a child named Gabriel Fernandez.

If Gabriel had survived from the gruesome abuse attacks, you could only stop and think what would he say about George Gascon and his leniency towards convicted criminals of violent hate crimes, crimes against children and the disrespect he has repeatedly displayed toward victims and their family members.

And now I am writing to you because Gabriel can't

Within minutes of being sworn in, Mr. Gascon made drastic changes that he did not disclose when campaigning that are letting violent and dangerous criminals back out onto our streets. This is unacceptable.

There isn't a city within LA county that haven't seen a raise in crime rates.

No one is against reform, growth and change.

Gascon claims that is what he is doing, but it isn't?

As early as last week, Gascon said, "enhancements...do not work, even for hate crimes."

Hate crimes not only affect the victim, but also families, communities, and even the entire country.

The DA is supposed to fight for everyone

He is undermining the hard work of our men and women in law enforcement, which puts EVERY citizen at risk.

Yes he was elected, but just think back of what was going on in our communities and what was and wasn't being reported by media at time.

He isn't open to dialogue, he isn't open to opinion, he isn't open to moderation. It doesn't matter to him what the people in the communities he was elected to protect ,want.

It doesn't matter to him what little Gabriel would have wanted.

Gascon has unlawfully gone against California voters who voted for the death penalty and zero bail. He refuses to charge any juvenile as an adult, no matter how heinous crime. He has also dismantled the Hardcore Gang unit, and refuses to add every special enhancement charges.

A vote of "No Confidence" from the city of Redondo Beach would send a message loud and clear to the people — of Redondo Beach and LA county that safety and victim rights do matter.

A vote of no confidence is nonpartisan way of speaking up that any person, company, union, or City Council can do to let someone know, you need to listen and we need to talk, because you're not doing your job.

Please, now it's time for you to stand up for us, and say "YES" to the vote of "Nonpartisan No confidence in George Gascon"

To quote the mayor of Beverly Hills, "SAFETY AND SECURITY IS JOB ONE,"

With gratitude and respect,
Kathy Giordano

Sent from my iPhone

Khatirah Nazif

From: Devon Cormier <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:16 AM
To: CityClerk
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT - No Confidence Vote in LA DA George Gascon

Categories: Khatirah



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I am writing in SUPPORT of a “No Confidence” vote in George Gascon.

Don't be fooled when you hear “He was elected to do what he's doing – this is democracy.”

The true measure of democracy is the ability to hold our elected officials accountable - they work for us, We The People.

Gascon did NOT tell voters the truth about his planned directives when asking for their votes. Look at his website georgegascon.org, he does NOT say he would:

- Eliminate most sentencing enhancements, special circumstances and life-without-parole eligible sentences.
- Disallow all transfers of 16 and 17 year-olds to adult court – where they must remain in juvenile court, even for cases of murder, rape, attempted murder and child molestation.
- Prohibit the filing of misdemeanor crimes such as criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace and resisting arrest.
- Bar Deputy District Attorneys from attending parole hearings.
- Create a resentencing unit to resentence convicted criminals who have currently served 15 years – this includes violent offenders. This will amount to 20-30,000 potential criminals being released into our communities.
- Slash Gang and Narcotics units in half. This will lead to more violence on our streets and more victims in our communities.

Council Members, these are not reforms. These are dangerous directives and blanket policies that are failing Los Angeles. Your vote of “No Confidence” sends a message to George Gascon that YOU stand with victims, survivors, and families and that you stand for public safety.

I do not live in Redondo Beach, but I do live in Los Angeles County. We are all Agelenos, we are all interconnected and a part of the same larger community. There are no physical borders between cities and what happens throughout Los Angeles affects each of us.

Please help us hold George Gascon accountable, vote yes on this “No Confidence” resolution. Thank you.

Devon Cormier

Khatirah Nazif

From: Kelly Mallen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:54 AM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No confidence in Gascon

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To Whom it May Concern:

I have been a prosecutor in a neighboring county for the last 26 years. The role of the District Attorney's office has always been to seek justice, to enforce the laws and to advocate for victims and for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the state. George Gascon's policies fail to perform this basic duty. The city of Redondo Beach must vote "no confidence" in his leadership of the Los Angeles District Attorney's office.

As I'm sure you are aware, the District Attorney is a member of the Executive Branch of government. As such, they are tasked with ENFORCING (not making) laws. The LEGISLATIVE branch of government makes the law and the JUDICIAL branch interprets the law. This system of checks and balances ensures that no one branch of government exceeds their political power. George Gascon has exceeded the scope of his office by determining that HE effectively makes the law, by choosing to enforce on the laws and enhancements that he sees fit. This is NOT the role of the District Attorney. If voters seek criminal justice reform, then members of the legislature - who are accountable to their constituents - must pass new laws. NOT George Gascon.

Los Angeles County has now become a beacon for criminal activity with perpetrators well aware that the laws and enhancements enforced in surrounding counties, will not be enforced in Los Angeles County. Since I work in a neighboring county, many times I have heard criminal defense attorneys tell their clients directly that they should commit their crimes in LA County next time because they will not be punished. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's office has become more focused on protecting criminals from the law than protecting victims or citizens. This has made the citizens of this county less safe, and left no one to advocate for victims. The safety and well being of South Bay residents should be the city council's primary concern.

Please do what you know is right and vote "no confidence" in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon. Citizens and residents of the South Bay deserve better. Sincerely,
Kelly T Mallen, South Bay resident.

Khatirah Nazif

From: Joanne Wolfe, RN [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:03 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No

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Recall George Gascon.
He is a horrible person hurting our great city.
I vote "No Confidence" on his policies!!!

Joanne Wolfe, RN

Khatirah Nazif

From: Leah Steuer [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:01 PM
To: CityClerk

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**Please note and use my new Email: [REDACTED]



Khatirah Nazif

From: PeterW [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:07 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon

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Please vote no confidence for George Gascon and keep us safe
Thank you

Khatirah Nazif

From: Julie Yanow <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2021 12:00 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: NO CONFIDENCE VOTE

Categories: Khatirah

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Dear City Council Member:

I am writing to urge you to cast a vote of “NO CONFIDENCE” against George Gascon, who is ruining our cities with his policies. Please stand up for the rights and safety of your fellow citizens and constituents! Thank you, Julie Yanow

Khatirah Nazif

From: Casey [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:09 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Vote Gascon OUT!

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Gascon is a terrible person doing a terrible job. Vote Gascon out! People like this have no business being in charge of district attorney's offices whose jobs it is to PROSECUTE and LOCK UP criminals, not advocate for them!

Casey Cox

Khatirah Nazif

From: WILLIAM GIBBS <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:11 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Gascon No Confidence Vote

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Please note my interest in the City Council of Redondo Beach as a critical matter of Public Safety issuing a LA DA George Gascon Vote of No Confidence at their earliest convenience as have, and continue to resolve, a dozen Los Angeles Communities, and counting, and also supported by the local law enforcement community and management Sincere Thanks William H Gibbs 111 718A North Juanita Ave RB 90277

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Khatirah Nazif

From: caryn burgh <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:12 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Re: For Public Comment

Categories: Khatirah

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Please give a vote of no confidence in George Gascon. Crime does pay now that he is in office. There have been more criminal attacks on citizens due to his policies. Please protect your citizens as you were elected to do.

Khatirah Nazif

From: Robert Sowder <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:15 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Vote no confidence in George Gascon!!!

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Laura Diaz

From: Emily Ruddo [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:15 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT



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Vote No Confidence on George Gascon's policies please

Regards,
Emily

Emily Ruddo
Designer
[REDACTED]

Laura Diaz

From: Christa Schweitzer [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:19 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: NO CONFIDENCE VOTE FOR GASCON!!!!!!!!



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My Redondo Beach City Council needs to vote NO CONFIDENCE for DA Gascon - he is an absolute danger and disgrace for justice and the rule of law.

Laura Diaz

From: Melissa Utterback [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:16 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon

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Council Members,

I strongly urge you as a voice for the voiceless to vote "NO CONFIDENCE" in George Gascon as District Attorney.

He his taking California down a dark and hopeless road.

The citizens of California are fed up with these radical changes, as you can see by the valiant efforts of the citizens to recall the dictator, Gavin Newsom.

Please be bold and stand for what is true, good, and right by voting "no confidence" in George Gascon.

Respectfully,

Melissa Utterback

Laura Diaz

From: bruce morgan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:35 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Comment



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I am urging the city to vote "No Confidence" in George Gascon's policies.

Respectfully,
Bruce Morgan

Laura Diaz

From: Kathy Ryyth [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:32 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: In Support

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I support a LA DA George Gascon Vote of No Confidence!

Kathy Ryyth
Redondo Beach resident

Laura Diaz

From: Ruth Kawamoto <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:45 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No Confidence in George Gascon as District Attorney!

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I urge the Redondo Beach City Council to vote No Confidence in George Gascon as District Attorney. His policies are gutting criminal justice throughout Los Angeles County and in refusing to prosecute many types of crimes and prohibiting enhancements for very serious, dangerous, violent crimes, he has communicated to criminals that it is now open season on the public. Every day Gascon remains in office decreases public safety throughout Los Angeles County.

Ruth Kawamoto

Laura Diaz

From: Diana Callaghan <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:41 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No Confidence in George Gascon

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Please vote No Confidence in George Gascon. I am a resident who lives on [REDACTED] and am appalled at what this man is doing to our city and to our County. Please vote No Confidence. Diana Callgahan.

Laura Diaz

From: Valerie Perales <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:51 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon- no confidence

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Please vote no confidence on George Gascons policies.

Laura Diaz

From: Vox Populi [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:50 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: For public comment

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We, the law abiding working class residents of Redondo Beach, urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE against district attorney George Gascon, the grand enabler of gang members, child molesters, domestic batterers and every manner of psychopath, who thrives on weakening the foundations and pillars of our criminal justice system by giving the aforementioned sociopaths a slap on the wrist. The grieving mothers, fathers, siblings, husbands and wives of slain innocent people urge you to vote against this evil man, whose reckless and irresponsible pro-criminal policies are resulting in an escalation of violence against law abiding working Californians everywhere.

Do you think the escalation of hate crimes against Asian Americans is any coincidence? When criminals know that they can walk free? Attacking people on the basis of their ethnicity or race with impunity? Knowing that the district attorney of Los Angeles will not prosecute them to the fullest extent of the law?

Laura Diaz

From: Kip Riggins <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:48 PM
Subject: Vote NO CONFIDENCE against D.A. GASCÓN



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City Councilman,
Good afternoon. I write to urge you to vote NO CONFIDENCE against DA George Gascón because his actions are clearly pro-criminal. Countless loved ones of victims are shouting against the injustice of this preferential treatment throughout LA County. He has to go!

Best Regards,
Katharine Riggins
LA County resident

<https://www.breitbart.com/law-and-order/2021/02/08/judge-stops-some-of-soros-funded-l-a-district-attorney-george-gascons-radical-policies/>

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/crime/several-of-da-george-gascons-reforms-blocked-by-la-county-judge/ar-BB1dvENS>

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Laura Diaz

From: Anna Pring <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:49 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Recall George Gascon



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I am a Victim of Crime, and plead that you
vote "No Confidence" on George Gascon's pollicies at this evenings meeting.
Sincerely

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Laura Diaz

From: Karen Roseberry [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:55 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Comments - Mayor and Council agenda item P.1. - Resolution No. CC-2105-045
Attachments: Letter to Redondo Beach City Council.docx



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Hello,

Please find below and attached comment for the Public Comment portion of the City Council meeting this evening, Tuesday, May 18th, 2021. Thanks so very much!

All the best!
Karen Roseberry

To the Honorable Members of the Redondo Beach City Council:

Thank you so much for taking up the Mayor and Council agenda item P.1., the consideration of Resolution No. CC-2105-045 a vote of No-Confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón. While this is largely a symbolic vote being considered, the symbol that it represents is a step of protection for a system of government that holds elected officials accountable.

Much talk is often given about Gascón having been elected. In that discussion it is imperative to identify that for which he was elected. He was elected to the office of District Attorney to prosecute offenders of crime. While he does have discretion over which cases will face prosecution, that is supposed to be based upon the evidence brought forth in each particular case. His discretion does not extend to a refusal of blanket unwillingness to prosecute any number of crimes found in the penal code – including resisting arrest, prostitution, and trespassing. These laws have been passed to protect law-abiding citizens and ensure a quality of life that all Angelenos should be able to enjoy.

Nor does his authority give him the right to disregard the will of the voters. Particularly concerning is the fact that in the very same election in which he was elected, Californians and Angelenos voted to reinstate cash bail in proposition 25. In Los Angeles this vote was nearly 2% points higher than Gascón's own election, yet this vote expressing the will of the voters has also been ignored by Gascón.

The directives issued by Gascón unilaterally and summarily dismiss prosecution of any number of crimes that the legislature and the voters have enacted, and such is a grave abuse of power. As such, it is essential that other elected officials serve as check and a balance upon this abuse. Gascón was elected to office to enforce the law, not to change the law and selectively determine which laws are to be enforced. If he believes the law needs to be changed then he needs to become legislator, but as a District Attorney his job is to ensure equitable enforcement of the law as written.

As city council members you have been elected, and are committed to the Mission Statement, "to providing the finest services to **enhance the quality of life for those who live, work, visit and play in our community.**" The policies of George Gascón undermine these objectives and warrant a vote of "No-Confidence."

Gascón's directives on sentencing to consistently seek the most minimum of sentences, particularly in refusing to oppose parole in any cases, or even send Deputy District Attorneys to the parole hearings, do not reflect an understanding of justice that the special circumstances of certain heinous and egregious offenses warrant sentences appropriate to that crime. Furthermore, these actions embolden a criminal element and make it unsafe for residents and visitors, and threaten the quality of life for all those within the community.

These actions that Gascón is undertaking have nothing to do with the reforms his supporters claim was the platform on which he ran and was elected. Nor is this a partisan issue. For any reform of the justice system to be successful it must be firmly grounded in a respect and regard for the rule of law. It cannot simultaneously erode that system of order and governance that keeps us from falling into lawlessness and anarchy or oppressive overreach of power by out-control officials.

Residents of the City of Redondo Beach and the County of Los Angeles are counting on you to uphold these most cherished values and to stand up for the protection of rule of law, for the protection of justice, and especially for the protection of victims whose cases have been dismissed and tossed aside in favor of the protection criminals. Please help us to send a powerful message that this is not what a District Attorney is supposed to do and please vote “No-Confidence” in George Gascón and his perilous policies.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Roseberry
Concerned Citizen of Los Angeles County

Laura Diaz

From: Emily Ulstrup [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:07 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Please Vote No Confidence In George Gascon



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Hello!

Please Vote No Confidence In George Gascon! Thank you!

Laura Diaz

From: Joshua Boyer <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:03 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: For Public Comment



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To whom it may concern,

I believe George Gascon is a criminal in politician's clothing.

He is making it easier for criminals to get away with crimes by repealing gun laws and making it so criminals spend less time behind bars for their crimes.

I believe what he is doing in office is an egregious offense to anyone who cares about the safety of our communities, to the officers who protect us, and to the victims (like myself) who have suffered at the hands of criminals.

My father and hero, officer Keith Boyer (Whittier PD) was killed in the line of duty in the aftermath of changes just like Gascon is doing.

Please recall George Gascon and put a stop to the madness he is pursuing.

Please help me feel safe in my community.

Thank you!

- Josh Boyer

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From: L.A. Slots <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:02 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Vote of No Confidence George Gascon



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I do not live in Redondo Beach, but I am the CEO of a business that employs about two dozen in the City of Redondo Beach, and our corporate offices are in Redondo Beach as well. The safety of children and families anywhere and everywhere is important to me. We all want to live in a community that is safe for children and families.

I am writing as a father of two children, as someone who grew up in L.A. County, and as someone who resides in L.A. County and works in the City of Redondo Beach.

The policies and directives implemented by Gascon adversely affect the public safety in Redondo Beach. These policies do not help or support the residents or business owners/employees of Redondo Beach. Basically, these policies provide comfort and support to criminals and wrongdoers.

As early as last week, Gascon said, “enhancements...do not work, even for hate crimes.” This clearly shows that Gascon has even abandoned our most vulnerable victims and survivors. Most hate crime victims do not even come forward for fear that they will be victimized further, and their case will not be taken seriously or handled with care and compassion. Hate crimes not only affect the victim, but also families, communities, and even the entire country. Gascon’s confusing and ever-changing policies regarding hate crimes allegations have likely caused many more victims to not come forward. More innocent people will likely get hurt and abused. They will also feel like the system has abandoned them. A DA should follow the law and seek justice, as long as she/he has the evidence, no matter how difficult the charge will be to prove.

The DA of Los Angeles is supposed to fight for everyone.

Gascon implemented \$0 bail for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are repeat offenders. This policy is a direct violation of the will of the people. Millions of Angelenos voted against \$0 bail in the fall of 2020. The DA has even disallowed the “out-on-bail” enhancement. That means a person can commit domestic violence,

child abuse, theft crimes, vandalism, battery, second and third-time DUI, and all sorts of other crimes, get arrested, and then get released within 48 hours on \$0 bail. That person can then re-offend and we are not permitted to file the "out-on-bail" enhancement. There is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop a criminal from continuously re-offending.

The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public, and resisting arrest. This means that individuals can harass patrons and community members in the mall, the supermarket, at a restaurant, a daycare center, a school, or just about anywhere, resist arrest and attack the police when deputies and officers are called, and the wrongdoer will be released within 48 hours with no charge. These policies will lead to diminished quality of life in Manhattan Beach and the lack of punishment or deterrence will eventually lead to those individuals committing more serious crimes. These policies will also destroy the morale of the deputies and officers who honorably patrol our neighborhoods.

Many of these misdemeanor directives also adversely affect the prosecution of sex trafficking cases. It emboldens pimps and sex traffickers to abuse young people and the most vulnerable in our communities.

Gascon has also permanently disallowed the filing of special circumstances in any case - forever. If a person in Redondo Beach rapes and murders a child, tortures a vulnerable victim to death, commits a hate crime murder, kills a police officer, or is a serial killer, that person could be paroled at some point. Gascon never once mentioned during his campaign for LADA that he would completely remove special circumstances.

This policy is against the will of the voters, violates the law, and completely ignores justice and public safety. It is also a slap in the face to all surviving family members. Gascon has also permanently disallowed the transfer of juveniles to adult court in any case - forever. This means, if a 17 ½-year-old murders two children in a gang-related shooting, that double murderer will be released when he is 25-years-old or earlier. Gascon has also supported legislation to remove the murder charge as a strike even if the double murderer gets released and murders again. There is absolutely no consideration for public safety, victim's rights, personal accountability or punishment.

Releasing violent criminals from prison early into our communities will not result in less crime. That is not what victims and survivors want. Not alleging a gun or gang allegation or a torture or special circumstance will not result in safer communities or less recidivism. Not punishing violent criminals appropriately will not result in less crime or public safety. Not following the law and enacting blanket policies is not fair or just. The most recent statistics are clear from LASD and LAPD, crime, especially shootings, assaults, and murders, have dramatically increased over the last six months. The so-called "data and science" of Gascon is not true or accurate.

This is not a Republican or a Democratic issue. This is a human rights issue. This is a community issue. This is a public safety issue. Murder, rape, child torture, and

gang killings are not Republican crimes or Democratic crimes, they are just crimes against all of us. Child abuse does not happen in blue states, or red states. It happens in every state. Just because someone was voted in by the people does not mean he or she is above the law. No one is above the law, not even the DA. Most voters did not expect the LA DA would be siding with violent criminals. Most voters did not think the LA DA would call a 17-1/2-year-old that brutally murdered two young mothers a "victim." Most voters did not think the LA DA would be siding with a carjacker and fighting in court to dismiss provable firearms allegations. That is not public safety.

Leadership does not come from power or your title. It does not come from winning an election. Inconsistencies, the complete failure to follow the law, personal politics, and implementing blanket policies from a person who has never tried one case as a prosecutor shows a complete crisis in leadership regarding Gascon's directives. His policies completely ignore the rights of victims and their families, while focusing exclusively on the criminal and wrongdoer. His policies also disregard the law, public safety, and the will of the voters; and could lead to dangerous results.

I think the residents of Redondo Beach need to take a stand and be one voice in support of the victims, surviving families, children, and all the vulnerable members of our communities.

Larry Zeidman, CEO
L.A. Slot Machine Company, Inc.

Laura Diaz

From: jean-claude FHAL [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:01 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No Confidence for Gascon



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Thank you!
Jean-Claude Fhal
[REDACTED]

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Laura Diaz

From: Laura Duffy <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:52 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Gascon



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Please join the many conscientious cities that have voted NO CONFIDENCE FOR MR GASCON

While I admire him for his ideology, this is **not appropriate** in his position. He should be in the public defenders office.

In Los Angeles County, we are concerned with violent crimes and gangs and we want strong penalties to apply.

He is not at all sympathetic with the victims. Please so the right thing tonight

Dr and Mrs David M.. Duffy
[REDACTED]

Laura Diaz

From: Linda Fisher <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:56 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Gascon

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No confidence.

Laura Diaz

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:11 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No Confidence in DA GASCON



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The minorities suffer the most due to Gascon's pro-criminal policies. Please help put a stop to his insane decisions.
Thank you
Ed Marzec
[REDACTED]

Laura Diaz

From: Herb Child [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:21 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon is a menace to our community!



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He is letting criminals go free in the community and surrounding areas that will only increase crime. We have no confidence in his ability to protect our citizens.

Laura Diaz

From: L.A. Slots [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:19 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Vote of No Confidence George Gascon



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Dear City Clerk

Please forward my email to Mayor Brand and the members of City Council.

My name is Scott Zeidman and I am the VP/General Counsel of L.A. Slot Machine Company, Inc.. Our corporate office/warehouse is located on Redondo Beach Avenue.

Over a decade ago, we chose to move our corporate offices to Redondo Beach for a myriad of reasons. Specifically, we wanted to be protected by the Redondo Beach Police and the Redondo Beach Fire Departments, respectively. We wanted to work within the City of Redondo Beach and its City offices, city manager and city clerk, and to be working in a city with intelligent, hard-working public servants in City Council.

As a former President of the Culver City Board of Education, I understand first-hand the amount of work that goes into Council's job and the lack of compensation. Smaller city government works because the councilmembers truly care about their city. As I mentioned, we made the decision over a decade ago to move our offices to Redondo Beach, and we are extremely happy that we made the move. Redondo Beach has been everything that we could have expected, and much, much more.

However, I am now concerned about my, my family, and my employees' safety now that the Los Angeles County District Attorney has apparently decided that punishment is not a deterrent and that many crimes should not be prosecuted at all. I'm concerned that those suspected of crimes are released immediately, only to be available to commit more crimes (it happened to us, as we were burglarized by an individual who was arrested, and released, hours earlier).

I can go on about my concerns, but I'm sure that you've received numerous emails about the Los Angeles District Attorney's policies. Bottom line, I'm concerned for the health and safety of all of us, and George Gascon's policies, without a doubt, have severely exacerbated those concerns.

Please do the residents, business owners, employees and guests of Redondo Beach a much needed favor and make a vote of NO CONFIDENCE for George Gascon. To say that we are relying upon you would be an understatement.

Thank you and be safe,

C. Scott Zeidman, Esq.
VP/General Counsel
L.A. Slot Machine Company, Inc.

Laura Diaz

From: Isabel Kiefer <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:17 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: PUBLIC COMMENT- VOTE NO CONFIDENCE OF GEORGE GASCON



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Hello council members and Mayor,
I am here to request you cast a No Confidence Vote for George Gascon DA.
His directives are flawed and are causing and will cause immeasurable harm to many communities.
He claims racism causes injustice i.e. long term imprisonment.
No crime, many times horrible acts of crime cause a person to receive long term sentences. Gascon's directives are right now today and every day he is in office causing Victims and their families DENIED justice as Gascon REFUSES to file charges where appropriate and is Retroactively removing charges for heinous crimes committed and releasing these criminals.
Do Not be fooled by his rhetoric of "data and science" statement.
He is like the emperor's new clothes story
IT DOES NOT EXIST
PLEASE VOTE NO CONFIDENCE
YOU ARE VOTING FOR A SAFE FUTURE FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS, YOUR FAMILIES AND YOURSELVES
WE NEVER KNOW WHEN ONE OF US MAY BECOME VICTIMS
THANK YOU

Laura Diaz

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:11 PM
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Thank you
Ed Marzec
[REDACTED]

Laura Diaz

From: Kristin lindquist [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:38 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: The resolution to recall George Gascon



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Please I implore the city of Redondo Beach to get behind the resolution to recall this very horrible LA district attorney who is absolutely running Los Angeles into the ground if he continues to be able to rule, which is what he thinks he's doing he can rule however he wants to do it.. he is really writing the laws that have been established and voted for in enacted by the Los Angeles community and doing it the way he wants to which is to let everybody back out out of the street please he must be recalled

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Laura Diaz

From: Ali Altaha [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:32 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Recall George Gascon Campaign
Subject: ReCall George Gascon



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The Honorable City Councils and Council Members:

City of Arcadia
City of Dimond Bar
City of Manhattan Beach
City of San Gabriel
City of Santa Fe Spring
City of Redondo Beach

I urge you to vote on a "No Confidence" on the bigot George Gascon. He needs to be booted out of CA without delay.

I lived in SF for years when he first came in as a registered Republican from Arizona and switched sides for the convenience of been hired as the Chief of Police by then Mayor Gavin Newsom.

In 2009, Gascon wasted no time with his controversies dueling with me on National News with his outrageous bigot remarks in a public fundraising event. Remarks that showed his true bigotry colors, his racism and more importantly his low IQ fueled by his arrogance, and ignorance of facts.

The same colors that he proven with his disregard to law and order, when SF became the city with the highest number of normal people Cars "smash and grab" just for fun. Normal citizens and their properties had no rights under Gascon.

The same color with his financial handlers and specifically willie ass brown that paid him a \$1M so he can find a way to drop the charges on a Millionaire that lived in my building, called the Infinity after a CCTV recording showed a domestic violence incident of the Millionaire hitting his GF over 200 times. The Millionaire was whisked to Florida without prosecution

The same "legal technicality" was deployed in 2016/17 after the arrest and trial of Zula Jones of the SF HRC the Queenpin of the current Pay-and-Play in the CCSF unearthed recently by the USAO and the FBI. The corruption evidence on Zula Jones was sealed by Gascon on willie ass brown orders.

As a DA, he wasted no time forcing his office staff to engage in his political campaigns while they were on the city payroll.

A simple search of the SF Examiner and SF Gate will show one article after another on the bigot Gascon and his controversies

Gascon has no morals, a wishy-washy idiot, and the record shows he wasted no time in LA County whatsoever since Jan 22, 2021, jumping in from one controversy to another.

Please join the rest of us, protect the normal citizens and Vote "NO CONFIDENCE".

Thank you

Ali Altaha

Laura Diaz

From: Wm G Speros [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:30 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: GEORGE GASCON

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As a resident, I urge a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on George Gascon. His policies have been disastrous to every city he's served.

Jeannine Speros

Sent from my iPad

Laura Diaz

From: Kim Smith <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:54 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Recall Gascon



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As a Redondo resident and former LADA I I strongly support the effort to recall Gascon and save the citizens of L.A. Co from his asinine and disastrous policies vis a vis criminal law enforcement. If he is allowed to remain ,L.A.Co. will be THE most lawless County west of the Mississippi. Kim E, Smith [retired L.A.Co. Sheriff's Sgt., retired L.A.Co. Dep.D.A. and retired Lt. Col. Of Marines]

Laura Diaz

From: KATALINA <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:50 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No Confidence vote on Gascon!



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I'm urging a NO Confidence vote!

Kathy Anaya

Laura Diaz

From: David & Debbie Dolan [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:46 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: DA Gascon



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Please vote NO CONFIDENCE. Gascon is a disgrace. His policies have led to more and more crime since criminals are getting a free ride and they know it. People are less safe.

Laura Diaz

From: Sherine Saade [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 1:42 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Please vote NO CONFIDENCE IN DA, GEORGE GASCON



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Greetings Mayor and Redondo Beach Councilmembers,

I am writing to you as a very concerned resident of Glendora and frequent patron of Redondo Beach businesses, parks and of course, the beach. The safety of our children, residents and visitors is in jeopardy under George Gascon's soft on crime policies and directives. What do you think happens when you remove the element of fear from getting caught for committing a crime? It does not decrease the numbers of crimes committed, that's for sure. Public safety should be the #1 concern of each and every elected city official and I don't even feel safe going to the mall or park anymore. We are all part of one community and our cities are interconnected. One of many policies I strongly disagree with is \$0 bail, giving criminals zero reason, not to commit a crime. Gascon implemented \$0 bail (which we voted against) and disallowed the "out-on-bail" enhancement for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are repeat offenders and released within 48 hours. There is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop a criminal from continuously re-offending. The DA has also disallowed the filing of misdemeanor criminal threats, trespass, disturbing the peace, loitering to commit prostitution, drinking in public and resisting arrest. These policies and the lack of punishment will lead to more serious crimes being committed in our community.

As a lifelong citizen of LA County, I'm asking you to join the cities of Beverly Hills, Pico Rivera, Santa Clarita, Lancaster, Covina, Azusa, Whittier, Rosemead and La Mirada to place a "NO CONFIDENCE" vote on George Gascon.

Thank you,
Sherine

Laura Diaz

From: Paula Glickstein [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:35 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon



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Normally I consider these attempts at recall sour grapes. But in this case it appears the people who voted for Mr. Gascon had no idea that he has no respect for the law. While they should have looked into his beliefs before voting, they didn't and we now have a District Attorney who seems unwilling to prosecute people who commit crimes. That's extremely dangerous. There are enough problems in Los Angeles County at the moment; having a District Attorney who refuses to prosecute or respect the law is making a bad situation far worse. Please add my voice to those who are requesting the council vote no confidence in Mr. Gascon.

Paula S. Glickstein, Esq.
[REDACTED]

Laura Diaz

From: Corine Rodriguez [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:24 PM
To: Corine Rodriguez
Subject: Consider a vote of "No Confidence" against Los Angeles District Attorney George Gascon



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To Whom it may concern:

I am a victim of violence, and DA George Gascon's policy changes have made me relive the worst moment of my life.

My brother was murdered by two individuals that went on a murder spree one summer. Due to some of the recent policy changes, my family along with the other victims families were devastated to find out that these individuals were up for potential early release? We had to re-live the crimes all over again - to face these individuals who again showed no remorse for what they did.

These policies are a slap in the face by our justice system, and have showed that victims are less important than the criminals!

Please consider a vote of "No Confidence" today against DA George Gascon and his policies.

Sincerely,

Corine Rodriguez

Laura Diaz

From: taylor patterson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:16 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: MY VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE



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Please I urge the city Council to place a vote of no confidence for the current district attorney George Gascon. We cannot allow violent criminals to commit violent crimes and treat them like their children or like their babies and they don't understand what they were doing. If the punishment doesn't fit the crime the crime will continue to exist and will continue to escalate. Please help us to remain safe in our communities.

Laura Diaz

From: Anthony Ambeguia [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:39 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Comment: GEORGE GASCON - no confidence vote tonight



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PLEASE vote "No Confidence" on George Gascon's policies! He is destroying the justice system for victims!

Thank you!
Concerned Citizen

Laura Diaz

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:47 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Vote NO!!!! confidence in George Gascon



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Laura Diaz

From: Sandy J [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:45 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Comments-Regarding George Gascon



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Dear City Council Members,

I know you are considering a vote today/tonight in your meeting. **PLEASE vote for “NO Confidence” against Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon.** I am writing as a widow and victim of crime, my husband was an LAPD Officer who was murdered “in the line of duty”, in 1983. Our family has been put through almost 38 years of court proceedings and we are currently facing another retrial for one of my husband’s murderers, the other is on death row. Please do the right thing and support victims NOT criminals as DDA Gascon’s policies do. We are all victims at his hands.

On behalf of our family, thank you,

Sandy Verna Jackson

Laura Diaz

From: Nina Neumann <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:59 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Tonight's meeting



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Good afternoon,

I am writing to you today in regards to this evening's City Council meeting. I urge the council members to vote "No Confidence" on George Gascon's policies for LA County.

Thank you for your time & consideration.

Respectfully,
Nina N.

From: Trudy Trump <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:55 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: For Public Comment 5/18/21



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I do not live in Redondo Beach, I live in Santa Clarita and spend a lot of time in your city. I encouraged my city to pass a vote of no confidence for George Gascon (which we did) because the safety of children and families everywhere is important to me. Therefore I urge you to vote for “No Confidence” today against George Gascon. The policies and directives implemented by George Gascon adversely affect the public safety in our communities. These policies do not help or support our residents. Basically, these policies provide comfort and support to criminals.

Gascon implemented \$0 bail for all misdemeanors and many nonviolent felonies, including child abuse and domestic violence. Many of these crimes are by repeat offenders. This policy is a direct violation of the will of the people. I voted against \$0 bail in the fall of 2020 along with millions of my fellow citizens. The DA has even disallowed the “out-on-bail” enhancement. That means a person can commit domestic violence, child abuse, theft crimes, vandalism, battery, second and third-time DUI, and all sorts of other crimes, get arrested, and then get released within 48 hours on \$0 bail. That person can then turn around and reoffend and this is happening now in my community & there is absolutely no punishment or deterrent to stop these criminals!

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Gascon never once mentioned during his campaign for LADA that he would implement the incredibly reckless policies he has put forth for his Department to follow that I’m sure you are all aware of by now,

Gascon believes Releasing violent criminals from prison early into our communities will not make our communities less safe...he sites “data & science”. I couldn’t disagree more.

This is not a Republican or a Democratic issue. This is a human rights issue. This is a community issue. This is a public safety issue. Just because someone was voted in by the people does not mean he or she is above the law. No one is above the law, not even the DA. I believe the voters did not expect the LA DA would be siding with violent criminals.

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I think the residents of Redondo Beach need to take a stand and be one voice by voting “NO CONFIDENCE” to these destructive policies in our community!

Respectfully,
Trudy Boehme
Santa Clarita

Laura Diaz

From: Gary White [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:49 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: George Gascon

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To the City Council;

Please vote No Confidence regarding District Attorney George Gascon. We cannot live safely in LA County with his oversight of the prosecution and sentencing of criminals.

Laura Diaz

From: Lindsey Miller [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 2:48 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: No confidence vote - George Gascon



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Hi,

I am emailing to express my disappointment in George Gascon. I understand that your city is considering a "no confidence" vote. I highly support this.

My understanding is that he is not holding criminals accountable for their actions, which is dramatically increasing repeat offenders. We have witnessed this firsthand in our neighborhood and each time we report a crime to the police, we hear it is no longer considered a felony because of Proposition 47 and George Gascon. This is deeply frustrating and sends a message that committing crimes does not involve consequences.

Lindsey