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To: <u>City Clerk Group</u>

Subject: LWVSB Comments for October 6 City Council Meeting

**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2020 10:43:44 AM

## Mayor Perotte and Councilmembers:

The League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara (LWVSB) provides these comments for your consideration on October 20.

## 1) Re: termination or amendment to residential and commercial evictions and foreclosures moratoria.

The League supports protection of the rights of both tenants and landlords. LWVSB recommends that the City end its residential eviction moratorium and allow AB 3088 to apply so that the equities between landlords and tenants would be more balanced.

## 2) Re: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The League is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in principle and in practice. LWVSB supports the formation of a DEI Team to advise the City Manager on operationalizing the commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all dimensions of City government. We urge you to expand your anti-racism activities and use the DEI lens in all aspects of your governance and dealings with the community.

## 3) Re: Mayor's letter to Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown regarding police brutality and racism.

We applaud the City Council for condemning police brutality and declaring racism a public health emergency and for working with all stakeholders. We recommend that the City Council send the Mayor's revised letter to the SBSO in order to document and re-iterate the important points made in the letter.

Sincerely,

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