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**Item 13.a PUBLIC COMMENT - PLEASE READ OUTLOUD**

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Hello,

I am a resident of District 7 and I am writing to ask how you can justify giving yourselves a raise but leave parks the same. How can you give yourselves more money and give no more than literally 1% to the library. I want to see the youth center by my house open and fully staffed. I want a place for my kid to go and play with other kids in our neighborhood. I want our parks to be safe, SAFE DOES NOT MEAN MORE COPS- When I say safe I mean, I want lights, I want accessible fields, I want a space to take my kid instead of having to drive out of town for a pool, ALLOCATE MORE MONEY TO PARKS, art and all the other stuff you all decide to defund while giving yourselves more raises.

I would like to see 10% of the budget go to the library.

I would like to see 20% go to parks and rec.

I am unable to attend this meeting but want my email to be read out loud as it has been before, will you please reply and assure me this will happen.

Thank you,  
Araceli