

## **Letter to City Council**

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Good evening,

I was wondering if you might be able to include the letter I sent to the City of Stevenson Council members be entered into the record as public comment for the meeting. One of the council members suggested I request that it be included. It is as follows:

Dear Stevenson City Council Members,

I understand that the Council will be discussing and determining the budget which includes a line item for the Sheriff's office. I was wondering if the council might not consider reallocating some of the funds traditionally destined to the Sheriff's office to provide much needed services such as mental health or drug rehabilitation counselors. I feel certain that supporting these services would hugely impact the well-being of our community.

Additionally, while I appreciate the Sheriff's desire that his constituents enjoy a happy Thanksgiving and holiday season, I am somewhat concerned by his stance to not enforce the governor's mask mandate, thus ignoring the science that backs it. While I too, want to enjoy the season, it is more imperative to be healthy and alive, without putting more strain on our hospitals.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Margie Hidalgo Stevenson, WA