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Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2024 8:59 AM

To: Budget Committee <BudgetCommittee@london.ca>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote NO to LPS budget increase

Hello,

My name is Siobhan Watters. I'm a citizen of London, Ontario and a resident of Ward 4. I'm writing to encourage City Council to vote NO on the recent budget ask from the London Police Service.

I demand that City Council:

1. Conduct further research on call times—both mental health and homelessness calls.
2. Defer the vote on the LPS budget and consult ALL community members before making a decision.
3. Fund more grassroots and non-profit organizations that do essential work in the London community, including SafeSpace, Atlohsa, Youth Opportunities Unlimited, and LondonCares.
4. Send back the proposed budget to LPS and tell them to find ways to reduce it.

I ask that you respond to the above demands and consider the voices of ALL of your constituents. At a minimum, we deserve a response and a detailed explanation of how the decision benefits our city and community.

Thank you for your time,
Siobhan Watters
Sent from my iPhone