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There were two police officers here a few weeks ago asking for money to investigate accidents, seemed like redundancy to me, it was hard to understand why they needed a grant to investigate accidents but that is not what bothered me. What did was the fact that they had guns with them. This should change and what we suggest is to have any police officers addressing the council leave their weapons outside of the council chambers. When we are dealing with police actions we should not be intimidated with armed people no matter who they are. The council has its own security and that should be enough. I just hate getting into an argument with another person when they can shoot me---want to wear your guns, stay out of the council chambers!!!

So, I was curious if any other city or organization bans weapons from their meetings. I know the feds do in some of their buildings here in Portland because you can see signs telling all "NO GUNS." I have no expectations that the council will hear my plea to remove all guns from our meetings, but what the hell, it should be said.

Did you know that you cannot have a gun when visiting the NRA headquarters? The people working there can but if a visitor has a gun---you are not getting past security.

<http://www.dailykos.com/story/2012/12/21/1172739/-I-Called-the-NRA-Today-Oh-Boy>

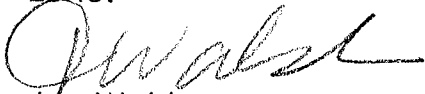
When watching TV one sees police checking their guns when going to visit a prisoner, so I checked and sure enough a cop cannot bring a gun into the jail or state prison. Amazing!!

A police officer cannot carry a gun on a plane unless many conditions are met. You cannot just get on a plane with a gun.

What about the courts?

If you get caught with a gun in federal court you could be looking at a felony.

Bottom line, it would be good to remove guns from city council meetings, sometime things get hot and I do not want to see a police person start shooting up the place or some mentally ill person grab a cop's gun and start shooting---let's make these chambers of democracy, a gun free zone.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Walsh". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Joe Walsh

Individuals For Justice

PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION REQUEST
Wednesday Council Meeting 9:30 AM

Council Meeting Date: 1-23-13

Today's Date 1-2-13

AUDITOR 01/02/13 PM 2:50

Name JOE WALKER

Address 7348 SE Division

Telephone 503-946-8428 Email LOVELET TO ORA COUNCIL MEET. NEE

Reason for the request: TAKE ABOUT Police having
gun in Council meetings


(signed)

- Give your request to the Council Clerk's office by Thursday at 5:00 pm to sign up for the following Wednesday Meeting. Holiday deadline schedule is Wednesday at 5:00 pm. (See contact information below.)
- You will be placed on the Wednesday Agenda as a "Communication." Communications are the first item on the Agenda and are taken promptly at 9:30 a.m. A total of five Communications may be scheduled. Individuals must schedule their own Communication.
- You will have 3 minutes to speak and may also submit written testimony before or at the meeting.

Thank you for being an active participant in your City government.

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Request of Joe Walsh to address Council regarding Police having guns in Council meetings (Communication)

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