

Testimony of Joanna Bulkley, PhD to the Portland City Council. February 28, 2018

Hello. My name is Joanna Bulkley and I'm here to talk with you today about the continuing work to codify RESOLUTION 37277 which declared the City of Portland a Welcoming City, a Sanctuary City, and an Inclusive City for all. As part of the resolution, the Portland Police Bureau was instructed to revise Police Directive 810.10 to ensure the Portland police do NOT play any role in enforcing federal immigration laws.

As you know, the city recently released a revised version of 810.10 and it is a vast improvement on the previous version. I want to echo the thanks of the previous speaker for all the hard work of the Mayor and his staff, the city council members and their staffs, and of Chief Outlaw and her staff at the Portland Police Bureau in developing this new version. As was just noted, there are still important areas for improvement to ensure that 810.10 aligns fully with Resolution 37277 and Oregon State Law and we will be back in August when it is due for its next revision to ensure those changes are made.

Now that the revised directive is in place, I have to ask, what next? It is one thing to create directives and policies, and quite another to move from the theory they represent to the reality of everyday life. In order to ensure that the revised 810.10 actually has the beneficial effect we are all looking for, I have two requests today:

First, that careful attention is paid to the dissemination of 810.10 through well-thought out trainings. As someone who works for a large corporation, I have direct experience of the gap between policies enacted by leadership and the understanding and implementation of those policies by the people actually doing the work. Although it is easy to think that training is simply the process of providing the directive and telling officers to follow it, officers are human beings, with many demands on their time and attention. Some officers may also have differing views about enforcing immigration law.

To have effective training it is crucial that the underlying purpose of the directive be presented. For example, the importance of building trust between the police and the community is paramount. The public must feel comfortable reporting crimes to the police. Every person must feel comfortable being witnesses when that is needed.

In addition, translating the directive into plain language, and including the use of real world examples is a must. It is only when the information is salient and applicable to our lives that training is effective.

Second, as a researcher, I know that it is only through data collection and assessment of outcomes that we can understand how successful, or NOT successful 810.10 is when implemented in the field. So I request that a plan for reporting on outcomes to the police bureau leadership, the city government, and the community be developed and implemented.

Thank you for your time.

Parsons, Susan

Subject: FW: Request for time on Communications = FEB 28

From: Joanna Bulkley [mailto:joanna.bulkley@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 11:52 AM

To: Parsons, Susan <Susan.Parsons@portlandoregon.gov>

Subject: Re: Request for time on Communications

Hi Susan,

I think the 28th will work best for me. My topic is "Portland officials should not engage in any federal immigration activities".

Please let me know if you need any more information.

Thanks,

Joanna

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From: Parsons, Susan <susan.parsons@portlandoregon.gov>

Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 9:15 AM

Subject: RE: Request for time on Communications

To: Joanna Bulkley <joanna.bulkley@gmail.com>

Hello Joanna,

Yes, we have 5 spots at the beginning of each Wednesday morning Council Meeting, for citizens to speak on a subject of their choice. Our next opening is February 21st. Would that date work for you? February 28th is also available.

Let me know what date is good for you and what your topic is.

Here is further information for you on the Communications portion of the agenda:

- You will have three minutes to address the Council and may also submit written material (please provide seven copies).
- We start the meeting at 9:30 and Communications are the first item on the agenda.
- Please note communications allow the Council to hear issues that interest our citizens, but do not allow an opportunity for dialogue.
- The Council meeting takes place at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Ave., 2nd Floor, Council Chambers.

Regards,

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From: Joanna Bulkley [mailto:joanna.bulkley@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 8:57 AM

To: Parsons, Susan <Susan.Parsons@portlandoregon.gov>

Subject: Request for time on Communications

Good morning,

I'm writing to request time to testify to the City Council. I believe Portland residents can request time on the communications portion of the meeting, and that's what I would like.

I'm not sure what information I should provide to reserve a spot, can you please let me know?

Thank you!

Joanna Bulkley

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Request of Joanne Bulkley to address Council regarding Portland officials should not engage in Federal immigration activities (Communication)

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Auditor of the City of Portland

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