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We as Fayetteville PACT acknowledge the lack of transparency with our Mayor, City Manager, City Council Members and Chief of Police. We presented the longevity resolution that would have independent oversight authority and citizen review board. Senator Kirk DeViere has input SB 682 into legislation waiting for signature along with SB 291 for a Citizen Review Board in Fayetteville still awaiting in legislation. We did several presentations to Governor Cooper Taskforce to cities in NC along with out partners of North Carolina Statewide Police Accountability Network.

On 8 June 2021, Mayor Mitch Colvin stated that legislation has to implement the special powers of reviewing personnel records and body camera footage, however SB 682 addresses the review of personnel records, body camera, and investigation files. However, the homicide of Andrew Brown and the body camera release to the public clearly shows that the transformation of policing in NC will be changed soon.

We question the ethics of allowing a City Councilmember to introduce this policy without asking input from the citizens which seems to be reoccurring including the meeting without citizens to give input, on the market house. What is the city trying to hide? Why is their no transparency with the citizens.

Citizens have the right to decide their living conditions and how they want to be police. It is obvious based on homicide rates and driving while black that our City Manager, is not giving any reprimand to those police officers who continue to violate policies and civil liberties of civilians.

History is repeating itself because of our city council continuing to not implement policy that would give transparency and accountability to those who serve them. Being a public servant is not for your own platform or to establish a resume to be on other boards or become state representatives. Integrity and responsibility are attributes of leadership.

We believe that the NC Statue 14-230, clearly states that failure to do your duty requires an individual to be removed. (Willfully failing to discharge duties. (a) If any clerk of any court of record, sheriff, magistrate, school board member, county commissioner, county surveyor,

coroner, treasurer, or official of any of the State institutions, or of any county, city or town, shall willfully omit, neglect or refuse to discharge any of the duties of his office, for default whereof it is not elsewhere provided that he shall be indicted, he shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. If it shall be proved that such officer, after his qualification, willfully and corruptly omitted, neglected or refused to discharge any of the duties of his office, or willfully and corruptly violated his oath of office according to the true intent and meaning thereof, such officer shall be guilty of misbehavior in office, and shall be punished by removal there from under the sentence of the court as a part of the punishment for the offense).

Leaders being lazy and failure to implement new policy changes by plagiarism of another policy in Raleigh, NC without any data showing any accomplishments, shows that a leader is not being a leader but a comfortable and quiet follower. The arguments between council members during meetings the unprofessionalism acts against those who disagree shows that the city is really in trouble and our taxpayer money is not going to professional development.

Fayetteville PACT has acknowledged the issues that seem not to be address in public with our FPD such as shortage in police, we noticed most been moved to other area of operation, transferred, demotion. We also are aware of the planting of evidence drugs and money from those who have been removed. Hopefully the FPD focus on building real transparency by addressing the murders and the wrongful arrest and convictions of the innocent. We are fully aware of the corruption within the city and the officials as well, especially lunches and golfing with other officials for inflectional decisions.

As we continue to gather more information, we stand in solidarity with our partners in NC and National for Civilian Police Oversight Authority with Citizens Review Board. Any questions please feel free to reach us at <a href="mailto:fayettevillepact@gmail.com">fayettevillepact@gmail.com</a>.

"The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things."

— Ronald Reagan.

Sincerely,

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