

Keene email concerning Bay City Public Safety budget and contracting

From: Jerry Keene / ONA <oceansidefriends@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 1, 2021 2:46 PM

To: David McCall <dmccall@ci.bay-city.or.us>

Subject: Budgeting

David –

We continue to grind the numbers. I'm looking at your proposed budget for 2020-2021 (I can't find the adopted budget). It appears to show costs in the form of paying for police services in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. You discontinued those contracts in 2020-2021, right? Have you had any second thoughts or unanticipated consequences?

Thanks,

Jerry Keene

From: David McCall <dmccall@ci.bay-city.or.us>

Date: November 1, 2021 at 8:08:06 PM PDT

To: Jerry Keene / ONA <oceansidefriends@gmail.com>

Subject: Re: Budgeting

Hi Jerry,

Yes, your observation (and conclusion/understanding) are correct.

Nope, no regrets. The reality is that we currently receive similar service to what we received when we were paying, which is about the same as before we paid. Actually, we may be somewhat better off, since we have more officers living in the city limits, and their presence tends to help deter certain folks from doing certain things.

But we were looking for code enforcement, not law enforcement. We recently hired our own code enforcement officer, and we'll see how that works out.

And we don't have high hopes of much help with law enforcement -- while paying or not -- until the Sheriff's Office is able to get their staffing up to levels high enough to serve our communities at least normally during the winter.

David McCall

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