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Hello city council members,
My name is Allison Goodnight, I work and live in Missoula county.
I'm writing today to voice my concerns with Mayor Engens proposed budget for 2021. I believe that inflated funding to the police at this time is unneeded. I do agree, and am in support for body cams to create accountability and transparency for both the officers and the public. The majority of the requested budget is unnecessary. I would love to see the budget go to organizations that will boost the betterment of people's mental health, safety and wellbeing. In hand helping reduce a need for police and creating space where the police do not need to handle situations that would be better addressed by social workers or mental health task workers. I would appreciate the budget to reflect our communities interests. Those interests being in building more low income housing, financial support for the Pov and their task force, Domestic Violence programs such as YWCA or SAFE harbor, ect. While in this moment of social change that is affecting the rest of the country as well as here in Missoula. I urge us to take note and follow the lead of these heartfelt intelligent changes that other cities and states are taking by switching budgets to help address the root of issues that people face. In hand by helping people receive a better life it will boost the wellbeing of the rest of the community.
Thank you for your time and consideration.
sincerely, Allison Goodnight