

**Richard:**

*The main thing I want to share with you is that, in reading the original document, I was struck (dismayed?) by the brevity with which it addressed the use of deadly force. Out of the four page document, only 22 lines deal with this life-and-death matter, and most of them outline the times when it is OK to use deadly force. Nowhere does it outline the options for the use on non-lethal force, and only at the end, and only then under certain conditions, does it mention the possibility attempting to de-escalate an incident.*

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*The Sacramento Police Department should reject the failed "reasonable belief" standard and instead rise to the moment to adopt a "last resort" standard. The one thing that stands out to me is the relative absence of information related to the Police Labor Union . My understanding is that the union prohibits retention of records in an officers file regarding "excessive use of force" incidents. If am correct, there is no way to identify repeat offenders allowing for officers with high tendencies in the inappropriate use of force, to continue with their duties relatively unimpeded. The policy is about process but I see little information about consequences regarding abuse.*

*Develop and pass a more comprehensive use-of-force policy that relies on objective and operational definitions around use of force and de-escalation, including when it is and is not appropriate to use each approach. The San Francisco Police Department has developed such a [policy](#) that could be used as a model for our city. We recognize the need for a thorough policy and request that the council work promptly to complete this task.*

*2. Support SB 1421, introduced by Senator Nancy Skinner, which will put an end to the secrecy and lack of transparency that currently exists around police shootings and deadly use of force.*

*3. Withdraw councilmember endorsements for District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert. Mayor Darrell Steinberg, as well as councilmembers Angelique Ashby, Steve Hansen, Eric Guerra, Jeff Harris, Rick Jennings, Allen Warren, Larry Carr, and Jay Schenirer are*

*currently listed as endorsing Schubert, who has not indicted any officers since 2015, a time-period in which 22 people have been killed by law enforcement in her jurisdiction. Also during this time, DA Schubert has received \$78,000 in campaign funds from law enforcement agencies, including a total of \$13,000 in the days following the Stephon Clark shooting.*

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*The problem of racial profiling and excessive use of force against Black and Brown bodies is deep and systemic, and our CRISJ task force members want to make it known that we are very concerned, and expect prompt action on the above items. Further, we make ourselves available to assist with our expertise and commitments to social justice.*

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*Here's a quick rough draft:*

*A-Legislative bill fails to address individuals with mental health illness that need de escalate,*

*B-using language assessment before any use of force can b e considered Relevant language is necessary so that individuals can appropriately respond to officers orders to individual.*

*C-No use of force is needed on fleeing persons. There can be no imminent threat to officer if individual is running away from officer.*

*D-SPECIAL ATTENTION NEEDS TO BE PROVIDED TO BLACKS , LATINOS AND ASIAN INDIVIDUALS where there is a history in officer's use of deadly force on this population. Deadly force as a first alternative shall not be used*

***POLICY-***

***STRIKE OUT SECOND SENTENCE IN POLICY AND GO RIGHT INTO OFFICERS REQUIRED TO USE DE ESCALATION FIRST.***

***LANGUAGE & CULTURE SHOULD BE LISTED FIRST ON THE LINE.*** *Make clear resolve that immediate efforts shall be made to provide bilingual officers, or radio contact with bilingual staff who can provide individual with translations of officers commands, and inform officers of what important information the individual hs for the officers.*

***BODY CAMERA IS TO STAY ON W/THE ARRESTING OFFICERS THE WHOLE TIME INDIVIDUAL IS BEING PURSUED AND ARRESTED, and not turned off until prisoner is transported away from scene.***

*Definition #6 is an incomplete run on sentence. reportable use of force and whether there is, or, is not an injury.....?deviates from Dept. techniques and equipment? HUH?*

**Renee:**

1) The Caucasian gentlemen had the following to say about the use of force policy:

“[He] does not want officers to have to decide “the last resort”. [He] does not want officers to risk their lives. [He] wants the officer’s training and experience to be valued. If they (the officers) do not resort to the “last resort” they have not failed. It is an emotional job. [He] relies on their training and experience. [He] does not want the officers to be limited.”

2) The Sgt. stated: [He] wants officer to do what is right; do not put too many restrictions.

3) The Asian gentlemen stated that there should be “clear definitions”.