

From: [Todd, Leon](#)
To: [Moore, Elizabeth](#); [Agrait, Jasmine](#)
Subject: Fw: BanChokeholdsNoExceptions
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Please add these comments to the file for item involving SOP 460

From: Owczarski, Jim <jowcza@milwaukee.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 6, 2021 8:48 AM
To: Todd, Leon <letodd@milwaukee.gov>
Subject: FW: BanChokeholdsNoExceptions

Morning,

I do believe this one is yours.

Best,

Jim

-----Original Message-----

From: Dan Faber <coppercladart@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 9:17 PM
To: Owczarski, Jim <jowcza@milwaukee.gov>
Subject: BanChokeholdsNoExceptions

Members of the Milwaukee Fire & Police Commission,

It is my understanding that there is an upcoming opportunity to vote for banning chokeholds. I urge you all to vote against chokeholds - with no exceptions. If you look into OUR American history, you will see a pattern of harmful societal behavioral patterns that continue to repeat themselves. Throughout OUR American history, who forced power and control over human beings by cutting off their oxygen? Who thought that kind of treatment was acceptable? Who thought that choking human beings was a justifiable action? And who made it acceptable and allowed oxygen deprivation to continue? Chokeholds are modern-day lynchings. Who were the police before they received the official title as "Police"? They were slave catchers and night watchers. Did you know that the "police" have a history of helping conduct public gathered lynchings? Did you know that the "police" have a history of standing by and watching Black and Brown bodies being brutalized, and doing nothing to stop the violence? Rather, the "police" participated in, encouraged it, and found ways to justify the violence? Do you see that the "police" still operate like slave catchers and night watchers to date? Do you recognize that we are still being lynched, just not by ropes over a tree branch? If you don't believe me or these patterns, please study OUR American history. Patterns do not lie. We are tired of history repeating itself. The times have changed, but our societal behavioral patterns have not. Allowing chokeholds to continue will only solidify that Milwaukee's FPC supports structural and systemic racism. You all have the position of power to make the right decision. Vote to BAN chokeholds - no exceptions!

Signed,
A concerned citizen
Dan Faber

