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The city is facing huge urgent costs and delayed expenses for things such as crumbling infrastructure, housing affordability, drug addiction.

It is time for policing budgets not only to stop ballooning, but to start decreasing. This money is better spent on social services, safety nets and crime prevention, than on out-of-control police budgets, which, as has been widely reported lately, do nothing to fundamentally decrease crime.

The city's should be offering a decrease of 2%, with perhaps a final offer of a static budget.

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