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Subject: Public input

Dear S Stevenson:

As a taxpayer I would like to see a greater transparency when it comes to the police budget.

As any large public cooperation it's the administrative side which determines how the money is spent. The problem is that every year more money is spent on administrative positions. People are very good at justifying why they, or their department needs more money. This always leads to a bloated upper level. I would like to see a detailed breakdown of how much money is spent on administration.

The other thing I would like to see is how much money is spent on settling lawsuits brought against the police department.

I think all “no disclosure “ agreements should be eliminated. It’s the taxpayers money which is spent. We have a right to see how it is spent.

Yours sincerely

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