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**City Council Meeting**  
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**Council Meeting Date** 6/3/2020

**Agenda #** 2

**Subject** Read Out Loud

**Position** In Favor

**First and Last Name** Molly Francis

**Escondido Resident** False

**Street Address**

**City**

**State**

**Zip**

**Comments** Happy Pride Escondido! The month of June is Pride Month, a time to celebrate the LGBTQ community. The LGBTQ community faces many hardships due to homophobia, transphobia, violence and discrimination in schools, work places, and in public spaces. Such hardships can be overcome by local leaders taking a stand to publicly support the LGBTQIA community by committing to enact public policies of inclusion, protection and non-discrimination and by being a visible ally. Since 2014 the City of Escondido has scored a 60 out of 100 in the Human Rights Campaign Municipal Equality Index, a report card if you will, of how inclusive municipal laws, policies, and services are of LGBTQ people who live and work in cities. Cities are rated based on non-discrimination laws, the municipality as an employer, municipal services, law enforcement and the city leadership's public position on equality (from HRC). You need to do better Escondido! Many cities in North County and San Diego County are making public proclamations for the month of June as being Pride Month. Some are fearlessly raising and proudly flying the rainbow pride flag during the month of June. The city of Escondido should follow suit, this year and every year after. As publicly elected leaders you need to show the community of Escondido that LGBTQ individuals are welcome and safe in this city. I welcome you to participate in North County's only Pride Festival, Pride by the Beach, virtually on June 13 and to partner with the North County LGBTQ Resource Center to learn more about the LGBTQ community and how you can do better for Escondido LGBTQ residences young and elderly. Thank you for your time and action in creating a safer Escondido for LGBTQ individuals.

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**Council Meeting Date** 6/3/2020

**Agenda #** Non-agenda item

**Subject** Black Lives Matter

**Position** In Favor

**First and Last Name** Angela Carrasco

**Escondido Resident** True

**Street Address**

**City** Escondido

**State** CA

**Zip** 92026

**Comments** Hi, my name is Angela Carrasco and I am a resident of Escondido. In light of the recent police killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, and so many others, I am concerned my tax dollars are being disproportionately allocated to police services that should be turned towards the local community in the form of education, social services, youth employment programs, housing, and crisis relief. I call upon the Escondido City Council to consider budget measures and policies that continue to hold law enforcement accountable for any violence they inflict and transformation of the system to allow for transparency, as well as provide greater financial support to community initiatives in our local budget. I appreciate the visibility and unity that our mayor and city council members have shown in honoring the life of George Floyd, as they did today at City Hall and ask that they continue to visibly declare their support. I think continuing to pave inroads of dialogue with our community and recognizing the larger systemic racist belief systems that exist and need to be called out and not tolerated in our community. Thank you.

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