

Esteemed councilmen and women:

We, the officers of Burien Police Department, write to you today to express our extreme disappointment with the recent decision of the city to request removal of Ted Boe as the Chief of Burien PD.

Ted has been our chief for the majority of the last decade and has done nothing but improve this worksite for your city. In addition to significant drops in crime and increases in proactive activity, Ted has put Burien on the map as the premiere agency for mental health alternatives to police interaction with our neighbors in crisis. He has motivated and developed officers in this city to the extent that, prior to this decision, Burien had the highest ratio of officers attempting to get in to your contract than leave it county wide.

This action will result in the immediate transfer for request of countless years of experience from the city to more supportive organizations within our county. On top of this, nobody but the least senior deputies and sergeants will be forced to work in a place that does not support constitutional policing by their officers, which historically results in lower proactive policing and higher crime.

For all of these reasons, this letter serves as an express vote of no confidence in City Manager Adolfo Bailon and Mayor Kevin Schilling.

In the meantime, we will continue to pour our hearts and efforts into serving the citizens of Burien as long as we are still assigned here. Thank you to the rest of the community we serve for your continued support of our public safety efforts.

Signed

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