

Let's do the responsible thing

The Bethlehem Gadfly George Floyd killing December 4, 2020

 *Latest in a series of posts in the wake of the George Floyd murder*


ref: **Lots for Council to think about**

Gadfly:

Having said the above, and being quite ignorant on the reasoning behind defund/abolish, the June '20 NY Times essay, link below, explains the argument for “why.”

(<https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.nytimes.com/2020/06/12/opinion/sunday/floyd-abolish-defund-police.amp.html>)

Have you educated yourself before publishing or speaking an angry, disbelieving, rant to the contrary?

Council, have you lead from a more informed position that this essay and that Professor Ochs' full data could provide?

Four HUNDRED years of trauma and damage and its legacy are not overcome in . . . well, it's been 400 YEARS! For most of us, it has been many fewer, NOT to our credit. Not entirely against it, either. (When one part suffers . . . 1 Corinthians 12:26, right?)

Let's do the responsible thing: ACTUALLY HAVE A THOROUGH DEBATE, INFORMED BY SCIENCE, DEEP THOUGHT and MORALITY

until the end of which we can agree. (Rather than spout anecdotes or exasperation like “That’s crazy! And I don’t have the time!”)

‘Cause our neighbors, all human beings, all flawed, all worthy of compassion, are suffering.

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