

**From:** [Chel C.](#)  
**To:** [CouncilHearing \(CI-StPaul\)](#)  
**Subject:** My comment regarding the St. Paul Separation Ordinance  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 10, 2025 3:20:39 PM

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Greetings. My name is Michelle Crain; I am a resident of St. Paul ward 3. My comment today is to make a suggestion to you about the final draft of the St. Paul Separation Ordinance. I ask that you and the city council's lawyers drawing up this ordinance refer to the most recent draft presented by the Minneapolis City Council for its Separation Ordinance. I think it's a well thought-out document. I will add that a comment to that council yesterday, about that city's Separation Ordinance draft, by one person there, which I strongly agree to is this: Allow me to paraphrase: the lawyer(s) involved in preparing the ordinance with the city council is going to do what's required, but that the city council must also muster all the courage and wisdom of your beings to make the final ordinance as strong and fair as possible to protect the residents (and visitors) of the city. Thank you and god speed.

**From:** [Theresa Beckhusen](#)  
**To:** [\\*CI-StPaul\\_Contact-Council](#)  
**Subject:** protect communities targeted by ICE  
**Date:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 9:05:05 AM

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Hi,

I want to know what the city council is doing to protect and keep safe our communities currently targeted by ICE. ICE agents are instilling fear and, in many cases, acting unlawfully. It is absolutely infuriating. Please do what you can to prevent yet more Minnesotans from being taken away from their loved ones and lives here.

Sincerely,

Theresa J. Beckhusen

**From:** [Melanie Zastrow](#)  
**To:** [Greg Weiner](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Defund the Police  
**Date:** Wednesday, December 17, 2025 10:56:20 AM

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Does this go to you as a public comment on the Public Hearing today?

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**From:** Victoria Pyan <[victoria.pyan@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.pyan@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 17, 2025 9:53 AM  
**To:** #CI-StPaul\_Ward5 <[Ward5@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:Ward5@ci.stpaul.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** Defund the Police

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Dear Councilwoman Kim,

I have been a St. Paul resident most of my life, proudly so. I chose to move back here in my late 20s and when I wanted to become a homeowner I told my realtor I didn't want to live anywhere but the city of St. Paul. I participate in community clean up events, I always pay my alley captain on time, I've adopted drains, and attend festivals, events, frequent local businesses. I ride public transit and make use of the parks. I shovel my sidewalk in a timely manner and help my neighbors do theirs. All this to say I am committed to my city.

If the St. Paul Police Department is going to continue to attack citizens in defense of ICE actions we need to start hitting them where it hurts. Their budgets, I would like to see the next city budget drastically reduce the amount paid to SPPD. Police are not legally obligated to protect and serve the public and until I see them actually take the steps to change themselves they should not be funded to terrorize our residents, citizen or not. I shouldn't be paying for a police force that will gleefully terrorize the people they are supposed to be serving.

They can demonstrate THEIR commitment to the city by actually doing their jobs and protecting residents from being kidnapped by unidentified masked individuals. Anyone can claim their a federal agent these days, with unmarked cars, warrantless detentions, no badge numbers, no names and mask covering their faces. Its vigilantism and I bet if I tried to exact justice the SPPD would shoot me on the spot if I did anything like that.

Not only that but I would like to see a city ordinance that forces police officers or their

departments to carry the equivalent of "malpractice" insurance. There is no reason we should be paying for their egregious and negligent behavior.

My opinion isn't informed by what I've heard but what I've seen, video footage of them dragging residents, pepper spraying protestors and threatening homeowners. Lying to them about their authority and jurisdiction.

If they wanna claim its just a few bad apples...do you know what you're supposed to do when you find rotting food? throw the entire thing out and disinfect it. Its time to clean house, time to get rid of them and start over.

Thank you for your consideration,

Victoria Pyan

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