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The June 3rd City Council Meeting includes only one item on your agenda: Dover Police Department Mounted Patrol.

The meeting notice states that "Citizens are invited to speak on the subject matter of the Workshop". However, since the actual subject matter is not outlined, I will comment on the Mounted Patrol itself.

This citizen supported unit as one of the real gems of Dover. Even though it is understandably suspended for the time being, Covid-19 will eventually be controlled or eliminated (and, yes, that might not be for some time). The bond that it creates between the citizenry and the City and Police Department is invaluable. There is nothing in the City that produces more good will. Period.

Since the actual cost of the Mounted Patrol, other than the salary of the officers involved, is borne by the citizens, volunteers, and businesses, I am sure that they (we) would be willing to chip in to ensure the care of the horses until they are able to return to duty...if that is your concern.

It would be a grave mistake to even consider eliminating this Unit at this time.

Thank you,

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