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When I saw this generous offer to one of the good old boys for nebulous services alarm bells sounded. I googled "Johnson Investigations Monrovia" and the only results I got were old newspaper articles about a former Police Chief being investigated as a result of whistle blower complaints. Then I resolved to investigate the investigators. I posed probing questions to the City Manager and others. Some examples:

Question: How long have they been employed by the City and how much were they paid? Answer: Three years, seventy thousand dollars.

Question: What contract authorized it? Answer: No answer. Haven't seen the contract yet.

Question: What methodology is used to QUOTE "...determine the suitability of employment candidates in the background dimensions of moral character, handling stress and adversity, work habits, interactions with others, and intellectually based abilities." UNQUOTE Answer: A template was provided that identifies the scope of the sleuthing. A presumably rigorous check of twelve areas including personal references, education, employers, financial, legal, etc. is indicated, with an emphasis on seeking disqualifying information.

Question: Who are the unidentified partners in this enterprise other than retired Monrovia Police Chief Roger Johnson? Answer: Retired Monrovia Police Captain Donald Lacher and retired Arcadia Police Chief Robert Sanderson.

Private investigating is a lucrative endeavor for retired police officers to supplement their meager pensions by tapping into easy money available from their former departments. It's kind of a revolving door. This concludes my report of some preliminary findings. I urge the Council to reject the agreement and explore other options. Perhaps there are unretired employees who could perform these background checks if they are not already overworked. If that is not feasible, perhaps the job could be farmed out to a private investigator with no incestuous ties to the police department, thus avoiding any appearance of nepotistic cronyism.

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From: [Raymond Aguirre](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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I would like to follow up with the Monrovia City Council's proposed meeting with DA Gascon's office. From what I understand

27 cities in the surrounding areas were not happy with their efforts to gain understanding of Gascon's radical policies.

We have an elected official who has chosen to NOT follow the oath of office as the DA of Los Angeles County. He has hired public defenders to enact policies that assist criminals and put victims and families last. DA Gascon and his policies do not represent the principals the represent the City of Monrovia and the council must act now.

Thank you,

Raymond Aguirre



From: [Jeanne Roy](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: Consider "No confidence" vote of George Gascon
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City Council,

My 99 year old mother lives in Monrovia. She lives independently and used to regularly leave her home for business and social purposes. She is now afraid to leave her home; not because of the coronavirus, but for fear of becoming a crime victim. She knows that Gascon has no interest in prosecuting quality of life crimes and is more concerned with criminals than victims. Having been a prosecutor for over 30 years, I can only agree with her. If you care about the safety of Monrovia citizens, show them by discussing this matter and then let them know that you, along with many other cities, care about them more than "politics". Place this on the agenda and then enter a vote of "no confidence". Send the message!!

Thank you

Jeanne Roy, daughter of Florence Roy

From: [phil cannon](#)
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George Gascon began his illustrious law enforcement career by enlisting in the Army at age eighteen. He was a military police officer and earned an honorable discharge as a sergeant. He came home to LA and completed a degree in history at Long Beach State. Then he joined the LAPD and worked his way up the ladder of leadership to the position of Assistant Chief. He was lured away by an offer to become Police Chief of Mesa, Arizona. While there, he was one of the few local lawmen who had the intestinal fortitude to denounce the brutal, racist tactics of the Sheriff of Maricopa County, Joe Arpaio. He has been unpopular with corrupt sheriffs ever since. He came back to California when then Mayor Gavin Newsom hired him as San Francisco Police Chief. Sixteen months later he became San Francisco District Attorney. He had earned a law degree a few years earlier. After eight prosperous years as SFDA, he returned home once again and now is our LADA.

When the Council Members and Staff meet with him to discuss his policies, he will impart the wisdom and virtue of his social justice philosophy. Then the Council can consider thinking outside the box and being the first to adopt a Resolution of Complete Confidence in our great new DA, George Gascon.