

Put Public Safety First

Background

Current law requires Police Chief Tom Manger to bargain with police union leaders over even the smallest management decisions. No other police union in the state and no other public employee union in the County has that power. This makes our Police Department less productive, less cost-effective, and less responsive than it should be.

"[Question B is] vital to ensure Montgomery's police force is professionally managed." – 9/12/12 The Washington Post

"A 'FOR' vote on Question B is the common sense choice." – 10/17/12 TheGazette

What does it mean to you?

When Chief Manger needed to redeploy officers to address an uptick in crime in Silver Spring—and officers volunteered to move—union leaders objected and the strategy had to be negotiated over time.

When Chief Manger wanted to require officers to wear identifying armbands when responding to off-duty emergencies—such as the Discovery incident – where the risk of "friendly fire" is high, the union blocked the move.

These situations—and many more—cost our Police Department time and taxpayer dollars. Worse, they could affect public safety.

Help us fix this. Join County Executive Ike Leggett, all nine County Councilmembers, the Chief of Police and the Montgomery County Democratic and Republican Parties. Vote FOR Question B.

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