



Orange County Sheriff's  
**Fraternal Order of Police**  
Lodge 93

---

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Contact:  
Jeff Stinson, President  
407-913-7284  
[Jeff.Stinson@FOPLodge93.com](mailto:Jeff.Stinson@FOPLodge93.com)

**FOP Lodge 93 Withdraws Endorsement of Sheriff John W. Mina**

*FOP 93 President, Jeff Stinson, said, "The members of FOP 93 have spoken and have unanimously voted to withdraw our endorsement of Sheriff John W. Mina in the upcoming election for Orange County Sheriff."*

**(ORLANDO, FL)** – On Tuesday, July 14, 2020, the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 93, held a general meeting with its members and voted to withdraw its endorsement of Sheriff John W. Mina in the upcoming election for Sheriff of Orange County. At the Fraternal Meeting on Tuesday night, a motion was made from a member to withdraw the endorsement due to mounting concerns with Sheriff Mina's decisions since he has been Sheriff. After lengthy discussion, there was a vote and the motion to withdraw was unanimously passed. FOP 93 has 1,249 members including, Deputies, Corporals, Sergeants, Court Security Officers, and Court Security Deputies. President Jeff Stinson elaborated as follows, "The members of FOP 93 responded loud and clear with a unanimous vote. 77% of our members also agreed with the removal of the endorsement in a recent poll."

The Orange County Sheriff's Office Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 93, had previously endorsed Sheriff John W. Mina on August 23, 2019 ahead of the election season and before ratification of a contract. FOP 93 had believed that Sheriff Mina would fulfill campaign promises to include, wage increases "equal to or above the Orlando Police Department" and to work with the FOP on other issues facing our members.

Since the time of that endorsement, nearly 11 months ago, Sheriff Mina has not followed the "progressive discipline" policy, followed recommendations from the Administrative Review Captain or Discipline Appeals Board, nor has he sought input from the FOP on policy changes. Sheriff Mina has continually made unilateral decisions, not in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement, which has negatively impacted our members.

Regarding the withdrawal of the endorsement, President Stinson added, "Not working alongside the Deputies and FOP 93 to resolve issues is not being a "progressive" Sheriff. It is a demonstration of his unwillingness to follow the labor contract and its workplace protections. During these difficult times, we expect the Sheriff to communicate with the Deputies and to support them." FOP Lodge 93 will not likely endorse any candidate for Orange County Sheriff in the upcoming election.

**About FOP Lodge 93**

*FOP Lodge 93 was formed in 1971 and is the current collective bargaining agent of the Deputies, Corporals, and Sergeants at the Orange County Sheriff's Office. FOP Lodge 93 has over 1,200 members and has successfully negotiated the last four collective bargaining contracts with the Orange County Sheriff and FOP 93. FOP Lodge 93 secures the workplace rights and provides legal representation for our members. FOP Lodge 93 also has a charitable entity that supports many community programs through its 501(c)(3) charity, the FOP 93 Foundation. Jeff Stinson is the President of the Executive Board of Directors for FOP Lodge 93 and the Director for FOP District 7. (July 15, 2020)*

**FOP Lodge 93**

P.O. Box 2085, Orlando, FL 32802  
[Jeff.Stinson@FOPLodge93.com](mailto:Jeff.Stinson@FOPLodge93.com)