Opinion: The truth behind the McClintock clash

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Daniel Hahn, the chief of police in Roseville, wants to be clear: His department did not shut down a recent town-hall meeting staged by Republican Rep. Tom McClintock. Nor did it tell McClintock he had to leave for his own safety because of an unruly crowd.

Roseville police made no arrests related to McClintock's Feb. 4 meeting at Tower Theatre. There were no acts of vandalism attributed to an estimated crowd of 500 people who packed the theater and the street out front.

Was it the biggest protest Hahn has seen in nearly six years as the Roseville chief? "Yes," Hahn said. "But things went very well that day. They went as well as could be expected. … The people gathered weren't causing problems."

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