

## Nickelsville Georgetown Community Advisory Committee

CAC Name	Nickelsville Georgetown
Date	03/12/2019
Meeting Location	St. Vincent De Paul Conference Room, Georgetown
Call to Order (time)	5:00pm
CAC Members in Attendance	Erik Maus, Barbara Hill, Bill Oliver, Peter St. John,
Permitted Encampment Members in Attendance	Annika Lumberger, Lorraine Hoover, Hattie Rhodes
Operator Representatives in Attendance	Scott Morrow (Nickelsville), Josh Castle (LIHI), Scott Harris (LIHI CM)
City of Seattle Staff in Attendance	Tom Van Bronkhorst (DON), Lisa Gustaveson (HSD)
Recorder/Note Taker	Barbara Hill
Previous Meeting Notes Approved (No or Yes/Date)	Yes / February 19
Previous Meeting Notes Posted (No or Yes/Date)	Yes / February 21

### **CAC Member Reports:**

Peter gave an update on the Georgetown community's position on the permit renewal question for the NGV which is: In light of –

- a lack of City and County community engagement in the past and currently, especially in regard to the impending Sobering Center coming to Georgetown
- the large and ever growing numbers of unsanctioned encampments, RV's, tents
- a 43% increase in crime in our area

- a large number of residents including the GCC and another recently formed group of residents and business owners have asked both the city and county to paused on all issues until we get some firm commitments to help us.

Lisa Gustaveson/HSD committed to attending the next GCC meeting the following Monday. And said they were hoping for a smaller meeting to discuss specifics in mid-April.

We (Peter and Barbara) believe the community, in general, is still supportive of the village remaining per the survey we took in January IF the city and county commit to addressing in a measurable way our concerns.

Question asked to City reps– What if the permit lapses? HSD Answer - Camp 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance and Ballard had same issues but were moved then re-permitted ultimately.

Comment by CAC members – When the city doesn't keep their word or communicate in a timely manner trust is eroded, belief is that the City will do whatever they want and community meetings, CAC's are just a way to placate residents and act as if they are listening.

Tom Van Bronkhorst/DON – The City has met with the GCC and heard them and listened. They plan to come forward with what they can do but haven't committed to anything yet.

CAC response – Monday's GCC meeting attendance will be important but so is the City's responsibility in their role and are, or will be in 14 days, out of compliance regarding the NGV permitting. Further exemplifying our eroded trust with the City, we are disappointed in the historic lack of attendance or attention given by the City at CAC and GCC meetings. George Scarola and Capt. Grossman from SPD attended once, Bruce Harrell, never.

### **Operations Report**

Current Occupancy: 50 adults, 2 families, 2 children, 17 pets

2 new residents, no move outs this month

Sadly, 1 resident, Mary Brown, passed away. The community has been grieving her loss as she was beloved by so many, an active community builder, cook and friend. The CAC members were also saddened to hear of her passing. She will be missed.

No bars this month.

911 calls: 1 call by a resident that was resolved on site peacefully.

2 new houses completed for a total of 45. Some wear and tear on houses now that they're 2 YO, as with other issues there's been a learning curve on maintenance and sanitation/pest control. LIHI and NGV have a bi monthly meeting to discuss and address learnings and plans.

As always, NGV hosted numerous visits from interested groups throughout the month – Veteran's Rescue Mission, Denver Co Homeless Coalition, a free lance reporter interviewed a resident, Monterey CA group interested in building similar model.

**Progress / Case Management Report:**

Scott Harris, CM:

February was unique in light of all the snow – lots of time spent on securing warm clothing and boots. Scott also worked w/ villagers responsible for maintaining the storage shed for donated items and was able to fill all needs. Lots of snow shoveling.

Assisted several residents in restoring their Driver's Licenses.

1 family on the verge of receiving permanent housing through working with Mercy Housing connection.

The resident who went home to mom in Chicago last month did make it there safely. ☺

**MOU progress:**

Scott Morrow/Nickelsville, Josh Castle/LIHI and Scott Harris/LIHI CM:

Some discussion about the status of the MOU between LIHI and Nickelsville where it was clear there was some tension regarding the CM role and barring process. The suggestion of mediation came up and LIHI said there was a meeting to be held in a few days between the two parties, that they were confident would resolve all the outstanding issues.

**SPD Report:**

No rep present, no report provided

**Public Comment/Questions:**

None

**Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 4:00pm, St. Vincent de Paul Conference Room

**Adjournment: 6:10PM**