

TC5 Community Advisory Committee Meeting 10/2/17

Location: Church of the Ascension, Magnolia neighborhood

In attendance: Danielle Burt, Janis Traven, Stacey Goodall, Joshua (TC5), Tim (TC5), Al (TC5), Michele Marchand (SHARE/WHEEL), Karen Ko (City of Seattle), Nicky Amarantides, and Marilyn Cornwell. [Erin Rants of District 7 Neighborhood Action Coalition arrived near the end.]

Chairperson: Danielle Burt

Note Taker: Marilyn Cornwell

The September minutes reviewed. Minutes accepted by unanimous vote.

General updates:

- 68 campers – no families or children at this time; some animals (pets); women's dorm in full and two pregnant women are now in camp.
- Successes:
 - 3 or 4 people were on their way to more permanent housing last month;
 - 2 site visits from out of town folks (one group from Guatemala)

Stacey commented how significant the tours of the camp are for convincing people to become community advocates

- 4 campers volunteered at the Fishermans' Terminal event last month
- Joshua, Sibby Deforest, Janis, Marilyn and Shaun Glaze (District 7 Neighborhood Action Coalition) were invited to speak on the Mind over Matters program on KEXP radio Saturday, Sept 23, 2017
- Campers are doing regular patrols and have already set up security measures for the new site
- Camp needs: more blankets; it is getting very cold at night.

Permit Expiration and Timeline for moving to new (Tsubota) site:

- Port decision to lease Tsubota Steel site to the city was reviewed and celebrated
- Draft site plan was discussed; will be finalized in the next few weeks with the help of architect
- Leafleting completed last week:
 - Janis reported her conversation with the manager of the Work Lofts, who was supportive of the occupation by TC5 – they may have pallets for TC5 use.
 - Stacey reached out to Whole Foods and other businesses; reported no negative comments although some good questions; Danielle gave her the name of the Whole Foods manager Peter Carlson
 - Joshua, Sibby and Michael (another camper) focused on the area south of the Magnolia Bridge; only the person at the costume shop was not receptive at first – but through engagement began to listen and move to more openness
 - Michele reported no phone calls to SHARE after the leafleting (except for a supportive call from Whole Foods); but, an email from Anthony's fish processing staffpeople had pointed questions
 - Michele noted that we will need to develop relations with the Armory staff, perhaps through a separate meeting
- Meeting tonight (plans below)
- After meeting, fourteen days for the permit process, unless it is expedited by the City
- SEPA (environmental) review of the site could take up to thirty days
- City to make decisions about expediting process, and timeline issues

- Discussion of CAC plans for moving forward re new site and support there were tabled until next meeting

Tonight's public meeting details:

- Agenda:
 - Marilyn Cornwell will facilitate; begin with welcome, elaboration of ground rules, blessing
 - TC5 campers will provide information about how the camp is run and the code of conduct (Joshua, Haley, Paul and Jericho)
 - Partner agency presenters – City of Seattle (Lisa Gustaveson and George Scarola); Port of Seattle (Sally De Fiori); and LIHI (Josh and Bradford)
 - CAC members will close the speaking program with description of their work with TC5; then 45+ minutes of Q&A facilitated by Pastor Marilyn

Updates on New Encampments and Initiatives

- Licton Springs: City has agreed to provide one hot meal per day for the rest of the calendar year.
- Ballard Nickelsville must move in November but there is no new site yet; there was discussion about extension of their permit for the current site.

Camp priority and needs:

Blankets and sleeping bags and winter coats; Starbucks (through Stacey) will be doing another blanket and coats drive this winter but will need help; Erin (D7 NAC) indicated that 10 blankets per person are needed to survive the cold weather and that Buy Nothing Queen Anne would help out

NEXT MEETING: 5 PM Monday November 6, 2017 at DESC Interbay Place (2208 15th W).