**DRAFT MEETING NOTES – CAC APPROVAL PENDING**

TENT CITY 5 CAC MEETING MINUTES June 4, 2018

Chair: Erin Rants

Note-Taker: Janis Traven

Attending: Michele Marchand (SHARE/WHEEL); Erin Rants ( Dist. 7 NAC); Janis Traven (MCC); Sue Olson (representing faith community); Sibby DeForest (Magnolia Community); Garrett Smith and Dione Armstrong from TC5.

Minutes from May were approved.

General Updates:

* TC5 has 53 residents: 40 men, 11 women + 2 teens. 1 camper exited into housing this month
* More than 50% of residents are working
* No incidents, no problems, a peaceful month at TC5.
* Ongoing organization and priority needs are stable.
* Camp has received WiFi from Seattle Public Library, which is an appreciated asset.
* Comment period for SEPA review has ended. 70% positive comments. An SDCI decision on or before May 17th seems to have been delayed due to a last minute comment. WHEEL/Women in Black met with Mayor on this and other issues, and are awaiting feedback and action. It was communicated that this delay has caused suffering and lack of essential hygiene amenities and space. Camp will be writing to the Mayor about this soon to follow up.
* No issues with National Guard property.
* CAC will redouble efforts to get a local business representative to join. Erin volunteered to follow up with West Marine and Builders Hardware.
* CAC reviewed story in The Guardian that confirms that debunks the concept that the presence of sanctioned homeless of encampments increases the local crime rate.
* Women and Black and WHEEL note that there have been even more deaths of homeless people so far this year
* **NEEDS**: A local business rep on the CAC.
* **Other Encampments**

**Licton Springs** After community meeting on permit renewal, City asked for improvement plan. The underfunding of the encampment was mentioned.

Next meeting: 5 pm, Monday July 2 at DESC Interbay Place