**Camp 2nd Chance Community Advisory Committee Meeting**

**March 3, 2019**

**CAC members present:**

Willow Fulton, Cinda Stenger, Judi Carr, Grace Stiller

**Camp 2nd Chance/LIHI rep:**

Eric Davis

**City of Seattle rep:**

Lisa Gustaveson

**Land Acknowledgement:**

The Camp Second Chance Community Advisory Committee acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral lands of the Duwamish people – a people that are still here, continuing to honor and bring to light their ancient heritage.

**Updates:**

Willow –

- CAC and White Center Community Development Association hosted a showing of Trickle Down Town at Evergreen High School – Attendance was a bit low but discussion was good. Also attended screening in Columbia City that was a fund raiser for tiny homes at the camp – there was a great turnout there (Cinda noted they raised about $3000 – 1 home!)  
  
- Things around camp have been good – Myers way has been kept cleaned up. There was a recent incident of early morning gunshots that seemed to be along Myers Way – called in and Seattle Police responded quickly to search the area.

- Looking forward to spring and land stewardship/activation activities

Lisa -

- Permit renewal: City reps have attended some community meetings and are gathering input – awaiting stance info from HPAC, which has said they will respond “soon” – the city is satisfied with the operation of camp overall

- Hygiene trailer update – Catholic Community Services might be able to supply a Hygiene trailer to be used at the camp – the cost would be high due to fresh and grey water service, but the city has encouraged LIHI and CCS to work out MOU to get it done so they can have on-site showers

Cinda –

- Onsite build team from Alki UCC have completed 2 more houses – working on how to move them out of build tent so they can get put in position. Has had successful fundraisers – working to raise another $60,000 total to get the last 16 tents transitioned to houses

- Westside Interfaith Network is talking with the city about possibly leasing the property in order to continue hosting the camp there. This has been done in other areas.

Grace -

- Got email from Jon Jainga – Seattle parks – willing to work with Camp and on environmental projects on east side of Myers Way

- Working on getting plan together to work on removal of noxious weeds/invasives and replace with native plants

- Looking at Seattle neighborhood grants to see if there is a grant program that would be a good fit for a community grant with the camp to do some stewardship work. There are 2 grant programs for up to $5,000 and up to $25,000. They would need a fiscal sponsor – the grants are done as re-imbursement - hoping LIHI would be able to take that role – if not, Weed Warriors might be able to do lower grant ($5000)

Eric:

- Camp stats: 51 residents (16 women, 35 men)

- 1 call for medical – stomach pain – turned out to be appendicitis – was treated and has returned to camp

- C2C members were invited to the state capitol by Senator Joe Nguyen in support of an amendment of 43.21c rcw – (bill SB 5946 - which would exempt transitional camps (that meet certain requirements) from having to comply with the State Environmental Policy Act requirements.)

- The camp is hosting an open house Sunday March 17 from 1pm (previous planned date was snowed out) – 4pm and invites all to come enjoy food, art, music and joy and tour the camp

- An RV parked on Myers recently was moved the same day by parking enforcement

- The last month has been historic – so much positive activity at the camp and with the trip to Olympia with Senator Nguyen– the camp residents are really honored

- 2 residents are about to move into housing – were supposed to move Saturday but there were plumbing issues that needed to be fixed – they will now move Monday – this is a couple, and the move to housing will hopefully help re-unite the woman and her child

Judi:

- No specific update

**Community questions/discussion:**

- What is the cost of the water for the hygiene trailer?

- exact cost is not available yet – it will be a monthly cost that they will add to the budget with LIHI

- Nancy, an Arrowhead Gardens resident in attendance, has some donations for camp – and the meatballs for the party are ready to go

- Billy, also AG resident – there to take notes for community

- John Walling: There will be a showing of Trickle Down Town at Arrowhead gardens at 7pm on Thurs 3/7 for AG residents, but there will probably be extra seats if other close community members want to come

Tracy: what were the details of the bill they spoke about in Olympia

Eric: Would allow temporary shelters/encampments to have basic amenities on site – and for those following basic laws and regs to stay in place longer – so that they have more stability in order to get services

Next meeting: Sunday April 7 2:00pm

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