

## DRAFT MEETING NOTES – CAC APPROVAL PENDING

TENT CITY 5 CAC MEETING MINUTES May 7, 2018

Chair: Libby Stevenson

Note-Taker: Janis Traven

Attending: Michele Marchand (SHARE/WHEEL); Erin Rants (Dist. 7 NAC); Janis Traven (MCC); ; Mick Shultz (Port of Seattle); Niki Amarantides (SPU), Dana Dunklin (DESC Interbay Place) Karen Ko (Dept. of Neighborhoods; Sibby DeForest (Magnolia Community); Garrett and Joseph from TC5.

Minutes from April were approved.

### General Updates:

- TC5 is full at 55 residents: 40 men, 15 women including 1 mom/teenage daughter.
- More than 50% of residents are working
- A local student is planning to paint cabin doors for her Bat Mitzvah project.
- Comment period for SEPA review has ended. 70% positive comments. SDCI will make its determination on 5/17. An appeal is expected.
- CM Teresa Mosqueda, new at-large City Council person visited for tour
- TC5 continues litter-busting in neighborhood
- Gardening project within the camp continues
- Successes reported in part-time jobs from Magnolia Bldg & Storage providing campers with short-term job opportunities.
- Discussion about recent incident in which an obstreperous barred camper refused to leave. Per procedures, police were called, but they did not recognize authority of TC5 leaders to trespass the camper off the grounds, so they did not act. Followup from George Scarola, HSD and Michele with SPD clarified procedures, so that a second incident resulted in SPD assisting in removal of another barred camper the following week.
- National Guard is experiencing break-ins and vandalism. HSD apparently is working with National Guard to demonstrate how it is unlikely that TC5 campers are the culprits. (There is, and has been, a large and active unsheltered homeless population in Interbay/Lower Queen Anne/lower Magnolia that has no relation to TC5.) TC5 seeks to interface directly with National Guard and HSD to receive notification when they experience issues or receive complaints.
- Women in Black and WHEEL note that there have been 42 deaths of homeless people outside or by violence so far this year—a record.
- Supplies are good. Ongoing need for ground coffee or coffee beans.
- **NEEDS:** A local business rep on the CAC. Erin and Norah drafted an outreach letter; the CAC refined a list of prospects, and Libby and Erin will do some followup.
- **Other Encampments**  
**Licton Springs** Somewhat contentious renewal meeting; improvement plan requested by City and provided by SHARE/WHEEL and LIHI. Whittier Heights women's Village (a LIHI project) opening next weekend. Nickelsville Ballard moved to a Northlake Site.

Next TC5 CAC meeting: 5 pm, Monday June 4 at DESC Interbay Place.