

Emergency Homelessness Taskforce Meeting Notes

Friday, June 12, 2020

Attendees: City Administrator's Office; Mayor's Office; Public Works Dept; Dept of Transportation; Fire Dept; Police Dept; Parks & Rec Dept; Oak 311; City Attorney's Office

Notes:

- Mayor's Office shared it has brought on three summer policy fellows to work on homelessness
- "Clean and clear" language will be changed to "cleaning/deep cleaning" on postings and in the TEMP
- **Next Week's Operation: Deep Cleaning @ 16th & Mandela, Thursday, June 18th**
Posted today, Friday, June 12th. Posting area includes 14th - 16th & Mandela. OPW and OPD will be on-site for the duration of the operation. HSD/Outreach will visit the site leading up to the operation, and will be on site the day of the operation between 9am – 11am. No displacement will occur. No one will be required to leave the site. Vehicles that people are not dwelling in will be removed. District Three Council Office notified.
- **Upcoming DOT Project** - location is 29th & MLK (under freeway), contractor (Sonic Telecommunications) asked the City for assistance to gain access to the work area that is currently blocked by an encampment. DOT will contact the contractor to request the project be delayed to the week of 6/22 to allow for outreach.
- **Policy Working Group Update** – No updates at this time.
- **Blocked Hydrant** - Voluntary compliance. Issue resolved.
- **OPW Updated Standard Operating Procedure** – OPW/OCA completed final draft, which will be distributed to the EHT for review and implementation.
- **Elmhurst Tennis Courts** - Tennis courts remain vacant. Body camera footage from May 20 events reviewed by City Attorney's Office and no misconduct was observed. City Attorney's Office will field any future inquiries regarding this matter.
- **MacArthur & Harrison / 580 Overpass** – included on OPW's regular garbage run. CAO working with Caltrans to schedule an interagency operation; prostitution & drug activity associated with site and in need of law enforcement support. OPD has conducted operations in the area and it continues to be monitored. Previous OPD after action reports were requested.
- **38th & Manilla** – Portable toilet planned to be delivered the week of 6/15. Outreach still engaged with individuals on site.
- **12th Street remainder parcel** - contractor postponed soil testing. No action at this time.
- **34th & Chestnut** – Drug activity and possible zoning violations. Recommendation is to schedule a deep cleaning, and to increase narcotics surveillance.
- **Peralta Park** - HCEB reached out about growing encampment at LMCC. Encampment growing since portable restrooms were put on site at Kaiser for on-site testing. Occupants are tapping into the electricity source. Discussion tabled.
- **Dover Park** - growing encampment but not able to schedule anything at this point.

Multiple small fires reported. OFD will provide a list of service calls to the encampment at next week's meeting.

- **8460 Enterprise Way (Private Parcel)** - a lot of foot traffic on site due to Project Roomkey Hotels. Fire hazards and garbage issues. OFD will pull service calls to property - nuisance, abatement, compliance. Broader issue of encampments on private parcels forwarded to the Policy working group.
- **Wood St.** - Caltrans wants to move forward with operation scheduled for June 23 -26. Caltrans will post on June 18th. OPD Abandoned Auto Unit will be the only City department on site the day of the CalTrans operation to dispose of abandoned vehicles that are pulled from the CalTrans parcel to the right-of-way on Wood Street. The City has advised CalTrans that it will not participate in a closure or eviction operation, and the City will not take possession of any vehicle where someone is dwelling.
- **E12th Median (between 16th and 18th)** – Deep cleaning operation scheduled for June 24 & 25. Structures will not be removed and no displacement is to occur. Purpose of the deep cleaning is to reduce the encampments footprint and mitigate any fire risks. Outreach team will be deployed to this area beginning next week to message the upcoming cleaning operation. District Two Council Office notified. East Oakland Collective advocacy organization notified. The Village advocacy group notified.
- **Oakport/EBMUD** - encampment fire on 6/8. No injuries noted. Encampment abuts EB MUD facility. Encampment is on a waterway/drainage ditch that leads to the Bay also. RV's on-site block travel lane on Oakport. Discussion tabled.
- **Edes & 105th** – CAO working with Union Pacific to schedule interagency operation

New items for next week:

- **Mosswood Park**
- **Fitzgerald Park**
- **77th Ave**
- **27th & Valdez**
- **Pine Knoll Park**
- **Lakeside Park / Garden Center**