Emergency Homelessness Taskforce (EHT) Meeting Notes

July 10, 2020

Attendees: City Administrator's Office; Mayor's Office; Public Works Dept; Dept of Transportation; Fire Dept; Police Dept; Parks & Rec; Oak311; City Attorney's Office; Human Services Department

Notes:

- Next Week's Operation: July 16th Farmer's Market Waste/Debris Removal During garbage Run – HSD will be informing people of operation to gather belongings, remove garbage and put aside for KOCB to pick-up. Camron-Stanford House will be added to this same day operation, due to the large amount of debris on site; 6 tents on site, additional tents on walkway closer to water at Lake Merritt. No displacement will occur at either location.
- Kirkham Cleaning After Action Report cleaned on 7/9 to reduce footprint and ROW obstructions. Fires in the past 2-3 weeks are a public safety & imminent threat. People on site helped by gathering garbage & debris; KOCB ran the operation and collected several yards of garbage & debris. No one was displaced.
- Increased Fire Calls to Encampments Since Jun 26th there have been 10 encampment fires throughout the City. Concerns of encampment fires endangering infrastructure, especially if fire is under a supportive structure (e.g. Bart/Highways) because the structure can collapse.
- **35th & Quigley** an increase in complaints regarding drug activity, human waste, trash, and traffic on site. Grey RV has been on site for 9-10 yrs. OPW assessing resources to expand garbage service to this location. Criminal activity referred to OPD.
- Bellevue/Lake Merritt people on site have operable vehicles (but complaints are coming in as encampment issues) and are congregating near the residential building. We have received complaints of approximately 8 men in vehicles, belligerent at night, drinking, playing music, aggressive behavior, violence, shooting fireworks at residents from the residential building and a recent stabbing attributed to the group on site. OPD is aware of the situation and working on implementing a plan to address the issue. Parking restrictions at Lake Merritt might help address some of the problems. Request will be made to have outreach team visit site to offer services, start engagement, and to encourage individuals to be mindful of disruptive behavior.
- 21st & Filbert (2121 Filbert) a couple of vehicles on site, but it is unclear if they are all abandoned or an occupied encampment. OPD was on site, marked and tagged a few vehicles. Will check with Outreach for a site report.
- Independent Loop complaints regarding ROW obstructions, blocked hydrant (hydrant stripped of valves), approximately 40 motorcycles on site and restricted access to Fire engines. Request that Outreach go out to create a site profile.
- **Melrose Library** human waste needs to be cleaned and removed from site before July 15th, the start of the food distribution program. OPW will resolve.

- **8239 International Blvd.** PG&E is doing some work in the area and is requesting that vehicles be removed. OPD reports that vehicles are occupied. Outreach will need to access which vehicles are operable, and request voluntary compliance to move the vehicles.
- **5217 MLK Jr Way** a small park across the street from Children's Hospital is being filled with belongings/items from people. Request for Outreach to conduct site profile.
- Leet Dr Alameda County made contact with person on-site to conduct a medical evaluation and concluded that person did not meet criteria for 5150.
- **Bay Trail/Alameda Ave** ROW obstructions at Bay Trail entrance cleared. OPD was on site, abandoned vehicles were towed. 3 vehicles and 1 tent remain on sidewalk. OPD will follow up at the location next week.
- **Clinton Park** fire hazards have been mitigated; encampment is no longer against the building.
- 800 77th Ave Continue to receive complaints regarding ROW obstruction. People continue to double/triple park and a fire engine cannot get through to the dead end where a business is located. CRO will be made aware. Deep cleaning will be scheduled at a future date.
- **Camron-Stanford House** goal is to dispose of waste/debris and reduce footprint during garbage run on July 16th.
- Lake Merritt Garden House CRO's are doing checks in the area and OPD has not received any recent complaints.
- **8406 Enterprise Way –** OPD & OFD will conduct a site visit to assess fire hazards.

Upcoming Operations:

July 16th: Farmer's Market & Camron-Stanford House Waste & Debris Removal During Garbage Run

July 23rd : 34th & Chestnut Deep Cleaning

July 30th: 45th & MLK Deep Cleaning

Locations to be scheduled in August:

- 38th & Manila
- San Antonio Park (fire hazards)
- 800 77th Ave