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From: Long, Kelly
Sent: Friday, November 6, 2020 8:28 AM
To: ClerkoftheBoard; Miller, Brian
Subject: Fwd: Please do not allow Homeless Parking on Crooked Palm

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From: Steve Bostock <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, November 5, 2020 11:44 PM
To: Long, Kelly; Parks, Linda; Supervisor Huber; Bennett, Steve
Cc: steve@venturaglasscompany.com
Subject: Please do not allow Homeless Parking on Crooked Palm

Hello Supervisors and Fellow Venturians.

My Name Is Steve Bostock. I own Ventura Glass Co. on Ventura Ave. and am a Home Owner as well up the Avenue at [REDACTED] which is just a hop and a skip from Crooked Palm rd. where we just found out today that Steve Bennett has proposed a new parking ordinance to take affect.

We need all of your help in reviewing the facts as due process has been neglected and a push to get this through quickly and silently is being perpetrated. Thank you in advance for your time... Please read on.

I have been writing Steve Bennett with my concerns and have not gotten any response and I do not believe I will get one at this point so I am reaching out with a desperate plea for help from all of us in the Mesa Verde Housing Tract which is and has been being abused by the illegal R.V / Car dwellers on Crooked Palm for well over a year now and we are done with it. Please Help Us !

I am writing to see if I can produce evidence to what we have been living with at the meeting on Nov. 10th. Its absolutely imperative that someone tells the truth to what's happening there daily. I have pictures to show the extent of the filth etc. we have been living with so close to our homes and famous bike path. Also I am formally asking Steve Bennett to share with everyone the letter I wrote him yesterday asking him to help us and also share the two letters I wrote today when we received a jaw dropping mailing here at home outlining his plan . His plan is reckless to our well being and shows no respect for our community image which we have worked so hard to clean up over the years. There will be a uproar if this is allowed to take place on Crooked Palm just across from our tract where the homeless have started fires in the years past and have been removed from camping by the river because of the danger they created right down here by Brooks inst. which is now Patagonia's new corporate offices. Please know as well that Steve Bennett has Pictures I just took yesterday and e-mailed him this evening of the filthy conditions we have to see everyday left behind by these Vagrant car dwellers. Help Us... Do not approve this rendition of the parking ordinance....Please !!! Our home values will plummet and burglaries have been up in the neighborhood already... We cant take anymore of it.. Go back to the drawing board on where to park these folks. There is plenty of room for these Homeless R.V / car dwellers and professional campers up Ventura Avenue where they will not bother anyone and it will be easier to maintain one length of parking anyway instead of spreading it out and allowing it to keep happening on Crooked Palm by our beautiful homes.

I would also be available to plead our case and send pictures to any and all that want them via phone or internet. Steve Bennett has implied that the Covid 19 has caused a large influx of vehicle dwellers....Not True... It has been bad all along up here for the 18 months, mostly beat up RV's that the dwellers live in. They come and go all the time and they use Meth, drugs, alcohol and many have committed crimes while camped out there including stealing mail right here in our tract....its well documented. I am appealing again for help..... we are a family neighborhood....we don't want to see this anymore. I will finish by adding this part of Steve Bennett's Board letter....Please read what it says.

"The federal Centers for Disease Control and state government have requested that individuals experiencing homelessness not be forced to move during the COVID crisis. That said, it is important to maintain hygiene, protect our environment, and to minimize the impact to nearby businesses and residents. We are doing our best to balance all of these considerations."

There is no balance. We have been calling and complaining for well over a year.

The first part is to Maintain Hygiene... We have witnessed them pee'ing and defecating in the bush's along Crooked Palm...Its disgusting ! When they are done they don't have anyplace to wash up...where's the Hygiene in that? The

second thing is protect the environment.... the dumping of feces, motor oil, trash and everything else under the sun along Crooked Palm is not protecting OUR environment..or the environment of especially the steelhead that we are trying to rehabilitate on the Ventura River where all this untreated waste and oil etc. is going to ultimately end up since the runoff goes strait into the river. How about the third one? Minimize the impact to nearby Businesses and residences..... There is not a single business within 3 miles of the Crooked Palm homeless camp that wants them there because they raid the dumpsters, steal food and creep around at night looking to score something they can sell to make money....and the only way to minimize anything to us as home owners directly affected by the homeless camping every single day is to move them up the road away from us.... PLEASE

I can go on and on....and so can so many of us up here that are done with it. I again plead for help. Read whats really going on here.... I will also argue that the homeless care facility whom is designated to run this whole operation cannot oversee what is going on up here on a daily basis and what power of authority do they have to enforce a city ordinance anyway?

Thank you very much for whatever help you can offer or some way to get me in to argue our case before we have to get more people involved and might I also ask why is Steve Bennett dropping this ordinance on us two days after voting and is moving on to another office next month anyway? He should have checked with his Vista Verde Tract Constituents before trying to designate Crooked Palm as a overnight camping area for homeless... we are going to fight this all the way so please just move the parking up the road and lets be done with it.

Professionally yours

Steve Bostock

Business owner, Home Owner and fellow Venturian.

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