From: Brock de Lappe <bdelappe@oaklandmarinas.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 15, 2020 3:13 PM
To: Donovan, Karen@BCDC <karen.donovan@bcdc.ca.gov>; Njuguna, Priscilla@BCDC <priscilla.njuguna@bcdc.ca.gov>; McCrea, Brad@BCDC <brad.mccrea@bcdc.ca.gov>; Klein, Adrienne@BCDC <adrienne.klein@bcdc.ca.gov>; Olsson, Schuyler@BCDC <schuyler.olsson@bcdc.ca.gov>
Cc: 'DeVries, Joe' <JDeVries@oaklandca.gov>; 'officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com' <officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com>; 'Gallo, Noel' <NGallo@oaklandca.gov>; Fortunato Bas, Nikki <NFortunatoBas@oaklandca.gov>; 'rnarcisse@portoakland.com' <rnarcisse@portoakland.com>; 'lsalaverry@oaklandca.gov' <lsalaverry@oaklandca.gov>
Subject: Current Status of Union Point Park-Cease and Desist Order

BCDC,

I am concerned that the situation at Union Point Park continues to deteriorate and is creating additional threats to the entire Oakland Embarcadero neighborhood.

The February 2020 photos presented at the August 13th meeting of the Enforcement Committee pale in comparison to what is actually going on now (see attachment).

As I mentioned during my testimony, there have been four murders on this short stretch of the Oakland Embarcadero since the end of February.

Despite what was said by Joe DeVries, two of these murders were definitely associated with the Union Point homeless encampment.

Javier Reyes, a convicted murderer and charged with the February 28 bludgeoning death, was a long-term inhabitant of the Union Point encampment.

The July 1st shooting occurred in the Union Point encampment parking lot.

The woman killed in the June 6th shooting has relatives living in the Union Point encampment.

There have also been other threats made to Oakland Marinas employees by inhabitants at the park and the nearby Bay Trail encampment (see attached).

Any honest person would readily acknowledge that these homeless encampments have brought additional crime into the neighborhood.

It is also not clear to me why the City of Oakland is so impotent in dealing with this issue.

Hiding behind theoretical guidance from the CDC is the proverbial fig leaf.

During this same period the City of San Francisco has found it possible to house hundreds of Tenderloin district homeless in hotels.

What makes San Francisco different than Oakland in their ability to deal with this problem?

We are likely dealing with less than a hundred people in Union Point Park though I have never seen an actual census undertaken by the City to determine this very fundamental fact.

The people of the city of Oakland have been deprived of access to this potentially beautiful shoreline park for years, and based on the most recently proposed timeline it will be years loner, at best, before the park is restored.

The operations of the Oakland Marinas continue to suffer economic losses and our staff’s health and safety are being jeopardized.

At the very least I would ask the BCDC to encourage the City of Oakland to maintain the previously cleared sections of the park from any new encampments and that they make an honest effort to enforce the posted parking ordinance in both the main and east parking lots.

If possible, please forward this information to the full BCDC Commission.
Thank You,

Brock

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Shooting in Union Point Park parking lot
STATEMENT

Oakland Police Department 536-200-1 (4/13) Page 1 of 2

1. Complainant
   Name: DeLappe, Brock
   Offense/Crime: 422PC

   20 - 034940

3. Name of Person Giving Statement
   Sex/Race/DOB
   DeLappe, Brock
   Male
   16 Dec 1948

4. Residence Address
   Oakland
   Phone

5. Employment (Name, Address, Phone, Occupation, Work Hours, Days Off) or Supplemental Information if Unemployed or Transient
   1853 EMBARCADERO, SUITE 2A, OAKLAND, CA 94606

6. Statement Taken By
   Name: Ziebath
   Serial No.
   Date: 16 Jul 20
   Time Started: 1500
   Time Completed: 1525

7. Location Where Statement Taken
   1853 - EMBARCADERO
   Names, Addresses of Persons Present During Statement
   None

FOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS ONLY

8. License No.
   State
   Veh Yr.
   Make
   Model
   Color(s)
   Drivers License No.
   State

9. Registered Owner
   Address
   City/Zip
   Residence/Business Phone

ADMONITION:
You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say can be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to talk to a lawyer and have him present with you while you are being questioned. If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed to represent you before any questioning if you wish one.

Subject’s Initials

WAIVER:
Do you understand each of these rights I have explained to you? ______ 

CITIZEN’S ARREST: Defendant _______ DOB _______ Arrest Charge _______ 
I hereby arrest the above-named defendant on the charge indicated and request that a Peace Officer take him/her into custody. I will appear when notified to sign a complaint against the person I have arrested.

X

Statement

Today, July 16th, around 2:25pm, I was notified by Carlos Castillo, who is a tenant in the Marina and a security guard at Harbor Side, that the guy who smashed the window to our office building on 14 July 2020 was at the Marina paddling in on a broken jet ski. I went down to the Marina and confronted him. I also took photos of him which I gave to you. I asked him why he broke our window and he told me he could not be in the Marina. He denied breaking the window. He said he was going to stab me with his knife. He had a knife clipped to his pocket. He also stated he was ex-military. I think he has mental issues and I was afraid he would actually stab me with the knife. I’m also worried he may come back to the Harbor Master office and attack me or the other employees. There

X Brock Delapre
Statement Continued

There were two other people present, besides Carlos, who witnessed the incident. One is "Nick" who is a resident of the marina. The other is Thor Gable who is one of our maintenance workers. We all escorted him out of the marina. Carlos told me he was the guy who smashed our glass front door on Tuesday. I believe the estimate for replacing the glass door is $650.00. I want the guy arrested for threatening me. I also want to press charges for the vandalism. The last time I was threatened like that the guy beat another man to death in a park down the street from our building.

I am concerned for my safety and the safety of my employees. I can recognize him if I see him again. This is a true statement.

[Signature]

[Handwritten Signature]
Thursday, July 16, 2020

At approximately 2:25 pm today I approached a trespasser in the Central Basin of the Oakland Marinas who had paddled in on an old jet ski modified with Styrofoam float stabilizers. He was positively identified by Carlos Castillo, a security guard at Harborside (707) 501-3804 as the person who broke the glass front door of our office at 1853 Embarcadero, Oakland on Tuesday afternoon, July 14th at approximately 3:45 pm. Today, when confronted on the dock, he threatened to stab me with his knife saying he was ex-military. This was witnessed by Carlos Castillo, Thor Gard (Oakland Marinas employee) and Nikolaki (Nick) (347) 813-5574, a tenant at the marina.

Broken front door window at marina office.
Brock de Lappe  
Harbor Master /Marina Manager  
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Bay Trail Homeless Encampment

NW of Bridge to Coast Guard Island
June 18, 2020

Incident in Motel 6 Parking Lot

At 5:00 pm the Oakland Marinas office manager, Elizabeth Doyle, was verbally accosted by a black male while going to her car. This was totally unprovoked as she was simply leaving work for the day. He was calling her a “Fucking Bitch” and said that he was suicidal. She returned to the office crying. I went out and took this picture from the stairs and told him I was going to call the police at which time he left walking east on the Embarcadero. I am very concerned about the safety of my staff. He is likely a 5150.
Homeless Encampment at Union Point Park

There are many young children living in the encampment. This is clearly truly inhumane conditions. Aside from the risk of COVID-19 infection, there is a major rat infestation at the encampment (contact Alameda County Vector Control for verification, and regular acts of violence. These families need suitable alternative housing as soon as possible.
On August 13, 2020 there was a meeting of the BCDC Enforcement Committee to consider a revised Cease & Desist Order to the City of Oakland related to the conditions at Union Point Park. Following a November 2019 Notice of Violation that was issued to both the Port and City of Oakland, the City had provided a timeline which proposed clearing all homeless encampments from the park by the end of April, 2020. As this date
approached, the City asked for delays due to the COVID-19 outbreak, claiming that based on CDC guidance it was not possible to remove the encampment. I find this difficult to understand. At the same time that the City of Oakland says they can’t do anything, San Francisco has removed hundreds of people from the sidewalks in the Tenderloin and placed them in hotel rooms.
https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/philmatier/article/At-least-one-street-in-SF-s-Tenderloin-has-been-15441069.php

Since February the conditions at the park have seriously deteriorated. There is absolutely no enforcement of the posted parking regulations and the lot has become so full that marina tenants are often unable to find a parking space. The center section of the park, which was cleared as part of the November 2019 agreement with the City, has been re-occupied by homeless encampments. This is an ongoing and accelerating tragedy. A good faith effort by the City of Oakland would at least deal with the problems in the parking lots.

From August 13, 2020 Meeting of BCDC Enforcement Committee
Bay Trail Through Union
Point Park
Central Portion of Park Reoccupied
Observation View Platform Occupied
East Parking Lot – Car Tagged for Tow Since January 13, 2020
No Follow-up Enforcement
Main Parking Lot – Many Non-Permit Abandoned Vehicles Absolutely NO ENFORCEMENT OF POSTED PARKING REGULATIONS

Marina Tenants are often unable to find parking spaces
From: Rick Figueroa <rf5685@aol.com>
Date: August 16, 2020 at 4:45:46 PM PDT
To: "McCrea, Brad@BCDC" <brad.mccrea@bcdc.ca.gov>
Subject: union point encampment
Reply-To: Rick Figueroa <rf5685@aol.com>

Please help the residents at union point marina. Today I came home and saw someone getting beat up from just sitting in her vehicle and taking pictures live here in the marina for 20 years. This has to stop. The people in the encampment are very threatening and violent. The residents that live in the marina can not even come home after a long day at work and relax. First we have to deal with parking. After finally finding a parking spot then we have to deal with a verbal conversational with someone from the encampment wondering why we keep circling the parking lot. We need help down here this has been going on too long. We should not have to live in fear when we come down to our boats.

From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Date: August 28, 2020 at 1:25:44 PM PDT
To: OfficeoftheMayor@oaklandnet.com
Subject: Re: SR# 1023926 - Received, Thank you for Reporting Litter in Parks at UNION POINT PARK

Tim,

I did the 311 thing in early July!

July 5, 2020 to be exact. And if you haven’t noticed, Union Point Park is still an embarrassment. A filthy mess.

Here’s a copy of my 311 call. Service request 1023926. Status is still “open”

Some 54 days later. Any comments?

David Ponas

On Jul 5, 2020, at 8:42 AM, OAK311-DONOTREPLY@oaklandnet.com wrote:

Please DO NOT REPLY to this email. This email is sent from a mailbox that is not monitored.

City of Oakland

OAK 311 - Oakland Call Center

Thank you for reporting an issue to the OAK 311 - Oakland Call Center.
From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Date: August 30, 2020 at 9:58:36 AM PDT
To: Debra Israel <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov>, Preston Turner <PJTurner@oaklandca.gov>
Cc: "glenfriends@groups.io" <glenfriends@groups.io>, Katy Morsony <katymorsony@gmail.com>, "deniseacmc@comcast.net" <deniseacmc@comcast.net>, Benjamin Scott <bscott@adventpropertiesinc.com>, Sid Sattler <sid@sattlerlectric.com>, Sue Grandt <suegrandt@yahoo.com>, Betty Gray <bettygray6878@gmail.com>, Sally Sosa <sallyclark@gmail.com>, Mary Vail <4406vailcat@comcast.net>, Valerie Ackerman <valerie.ackerman@gmail.com>, Rich Johnsnon <richpalmpilot@yahoo.com>, "Gallo, Noel" <NGallo@oaklandca.gov>, "Chavez, Mayra" <MChavez@oaklandca.gov>
Subject: Re: [glenfriends] City of Oakland - OAKAPPS

Preston,

Thank you for the invitation to come down to meet at the Guadalajara Restaurant to go volunteer clean up in City Council District 5. I declined that offer as I thought we were trying to avoid large groups during this Covid 19 virus.

But I did go down to Union Point Park, which is in District 5. I waited down there till 9:52 am and no volunteers showed up. But I did want to share some photos I took this morning, Sunday August 30, 2020.

That place is a colossal mess! And it hasn’t been cleaned up in weeks. That junk car, was tagged on
June 9th. I just thought I’d share this with my District 5 neighbors. You know Preston, Debra and Council Member Gallo, there is not a trash receptacle in that park. Is there any plan for this park?

David Ponas

Photos below:
On Aug 27, 2020, at 2:32 PM, Debra Israel <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov> wrote:

Please use the link below to access multiple apps that will link you to City services, including a recently added app for constituents to report concerns.

https://apps.oaklandca.gov/oakapps/

Date: August 30, 2020 at 12:34:37 PM PDT
To: OfficeoftheMayor@oaklandnet.com
Cc: parksandrec@oaklandca.gov, Desmond Jeffries <djeffries@oaklandca.gov>, atlarge@oaklandca.gov
Subject: Union Point Park

Tim Fisher,
I know how busy you are. It’s too bad that someone for the city isn’t busy helping out at Union Point Park. Please express my concerns with the mayor about the poor conditions of this park, for years.
Best Dave

From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Date: August 31, 2020 at 1:35:01 PM PDT
To: Debra Israel <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov>, Preston Turner <PJTurner@oaklandca.gov>,
Subject: Camping Spot

I was down at Union Point Park today, actually saw a city of Oakland truck # 4946, See photo:

The guys were down there for about 20 minutes or so, cleaned up very little. They didn’t even collect the trash from this can. They were useless. But in the center of the park on the dead grass that looks more like the Australian Outback than a City Park. There was a couple of cars and tents, It looked like a camp site.
See this photo, cars just driving in the Park
The City guys didn’t clean any of this
What a mess.

Best,
David Ponas
Sent from my iPhone

-----Original Message-----
From: Christene Scarpino <cscarpino@me.com>
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 12:25 PM
To: McCrea, Brad@BCDC <brad.mccrea@bcdc.ca.gov>
Subject: Ghca Update

Hi Brad,

I have been wanting to email you over the past months. So better late than never.

After a harrowing closure and a few tense weeks (one violent threat and a flammable gas canister thrown through our office window), a peace and calm has replaced the mayhem. Our walking path & bench public access has turned back into public access, we have neighboring families enjoying the waterfront benches with picnics, folks working out on them and those just using it as a resting stop during their walk.

Our harbor feels like it is ours again, it's manageable and we feel safe at our home.
I want to thank you and your team for making this happen. While nothing is ever perfect, we have had regular anchorage protests on our property and a few anchorage residents have been still screaming at us, but it is night and day to what it was.

I do realize all the problem characters have shifted south to the public dock so the issues still remain. But I trust that social services, the police & Sausalito can better handle those issues than our residential community.

Let's hope their lawsuit will be dismissed. And that BCDC directives via county programs will help those to get off of the water.

I hope this finds you & your family doing ok during this time.

Thank you again.
Christene

From: Brock de Lappe <bdelappe@oaklandmarinas.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 5, 2020 10:33 AM
To: 'DeVries, Joe' <JDeVries@oaklandca.gov>; 'officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com' <officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com>; 'homelessness@oaklandca.gov' <homelessness@oaklandca.gov>
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As you can see from the attached text, this will create substantial financial hardship for the victims of this crime.

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I am also formally requesting that Alameda County Child Protective Services investigate the living conditions of the small children in the encampment.

It is well past time for the City of Oakland to find appropriate housing for these families.

Thank You,

Brock

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Hi Brock,
This is Ariel in the red boat at slip 106. I'm not sure if you heard but today there was another incident with people in the homeless encampment. A woman in a car got into an altercation with a Homeless woman and her children and then tried to run her over. She was driving at a very high rate of speed through the parking lot and the woman ducked behind my truck to get out of the path of her car. The woman gunned her car and hit my truck so hard it became airborne and hit two cars next to it. There are multiple witnesses, and believe my truck is totaled and I can’t afford the $1000 deductible either way. I am assuming the marina has insurance to cover this.

Please let me know. I am attaching pictures and a copy of the incident number given to me by OPD.
The homeless encampment has recently become much more volatile. There are fights and screaming constantly and I believe there are five toddlers living there now too. Two weeks ago they were fighting in the parking lot and people took out guns and shot them in the air. My son had to duck behind garbage cans and run to the boat because he was afraid of getting hit by a stray bullet. He's nine. The parking lot isn’t just unsafe at night, it is unsafe 24 hours a day now.
I am expecting that the marina has insurance that can cover my deductible.
lost my school job due to COVID, and replacing my truck is not a feasible financial option right now. I’m just hoping it isn’t totaled. The residents are very upset. All the cars that were hit belonged to residents. Is it possible to fix the lights or get security in the parking lot 24 hours a day? Can we get security cameras and add speed bumps? It is just a matter of time before some one gets seriously hurt or dies. The situation is really out of control. Thanks very much, Ariel Edwards.
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Shooting in Union Point Park parking lot
Hello all,

So yesterday Friday 9/4/20 at Union Point Park at about 9:30 am a white truck with an empty trailer and a white garbage truck showed up. The garbage truck backed in and parked south of the lot. They did take out some trash, but looking at these photos from this morning, Saturday, little was done. The park is still a mess, and there are still no garbage receptacles to throw trash.

Also the black car got tagged with a lime green notice which says „Must remove from Park„ Sept 4, 2020. Well today is the 5th and that car is still there.

Best,
David Ponas

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09/08/2020

Good Day Ms. Brock,

Thank you for your inquiry.

With respect to homelessness issue, we would like to inform you that on March 27, 2020, the Oakland City Council passed Resolution No. 88077 C.M.S., which among other things, directed the City Administrator to follow Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on homelessness and COVID, which prohibit encampment closures if individual housing units or alternative shelter cannot be provided. Given the extremely limited number of emergency housing and shelter options available at this time, encampment closures have essentially been suspended since March.

Once the shelter-in-place order is rescinded, the City will revisit its position on encampment closures. In the interim, the City established an interdepartmental Emergency Homelessness Taskforce (EHT) to mitigate public safety and public health concerns in lieu of encampment closures. With that said, the demand for services at encampments is currently outpacing the available resources, causing the EHT to triage service request by order of magnitude.

This location has been forwarded to the Emergency Homelessness Taskforce (EHT) for consideration. Can you please provide any additional information such as;

Address/location/cross streets

Explain the issue in more detail

Approximate number of people on site

Approximate number of tents/vehicles/RV’s

With respect to the criminal/nuisance activity in and around this encampment: It is a problem. There is no sugar-coating that. The solution is not as simple as merely closing/disbanding the encampment, however. We (and our peers up and down the West Coast) are bound by Federal court rulings with respect to encampments and unsheltered homelessness—namely, we cannot simply take action to close or enforce against an encampment unless we can provide adequate shelter to everyone in that encampment. On any given night in Oakland, we have about 1500 fewer shelter beds than we need, making this standard difficult to meet. So, we prioritize our limited resources to encampments across the City, and we try to do so as equitably as possible.

Now, none of this is an excuse for dangerous and criminal behavior. The Oakland Police Department does indeed work to enforce criminal laws at encampments, and they of course prioritize the most serious and violent offenses. It is important that you report criminal behaviors directly to them.
Respectfully,

Greta Monares

Homelessness Team

From: Brock de Lappe
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 10:36 AM
To: Njuguna, Priscilla@BCDC; Donovan, Karen@BCDC; McCrea, Brad@BCDC; Klein, Adrienne@BCDC; Olsson, Schuyler@BCDC
Subject: FW: Assault With A deadly Weapon - Union Point Park Parking Lot

BCDC,

I wanted to share with you the response I received from the City of Oakland “Homeless Team” regarding my most recent concerns about the status of the homeless encampment at Union Point Park.

In light of the pending Cease and Desist order that is being considered by the full commission next week, I would hope that this response could be shared with them.

Please note that I am being asked by the City of Oakland to provide the address of Union Point Park, as well as a census of the number of inhabitants, tents, etc.

This just further indicates a complete failure on the part of the city to seriously address this ongoing problem.

For well over a year I have asked Joe DeVries to perform a census as a prerequisite for serious relocation planning.

Apparently that has never been done.

I reiterate, the central portion of the park which had been cleared and declared a formal closure area has been reoccupied by encampments with vehicles parking in the park.

This homeless encampment is a major source of crime in the Embarcadero neighborhood.

Small children are living in absolute squalid conditions.

This is absolutely shameful.

The City of San Francisco was able to find housing for hundreds living on the street in the Tenderloin District.

Why is the City of Oakland incapable of a comparable response on a much, much smaller scale?

Brock

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Mr. Ponas:

Thank you very much for calling me – I really appreciate your obvious heartfelt devotion to cleaning up Union Point Park.

I’m forwarding your pictures and your e-mails to our enforcement team and we’ll make them part of the official record. I am sure that our Commissioners will learn from them.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any new information. And, stay safe and healthy!

Larry Goldzband, Executive Director
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Larry,

Thank you for talking to me about Union Point Park.

That Park is a colossal mess. Just garbage all over. The City of Oakland doesn’t clean it regularly. If the workers come to clean, they do very little and leave. Last week two employees spent 17 minutes in the center parking lot and did very little, before they left. Here’s some photos from Sunday and Monday Sept 6, and 7, 2020.
From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 12:24 PM
To: Goldzband, Larry@BCDC <larry.goldzband@bcdc.ca.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Yesterday at Union Point Park

Another letter to Preston Turner

District 5 Noel Gallo Aide

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Begin forwarded message:

From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Date: August 27, 2020 at 4:19:00 PM PDT
To: "Turner, Preston" <PJTurner@oaklandca.gov>
Cc: "Israel, Debra" <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov>, Preston J Turner <drjaz55@gmail.com>, "Gallo, Noel" <NGallo@oaklandca.gov>
Subject: Re: Yesterday at Union Point Park
Preston,

Yes you did respond to me on August 17, 2020. And Union Point Park is still a filthy, basic garbage dump, unkept with crap all over the place. That junk car is still there for months.

It’s good to know that Mr. Gallo cares about the park and goes down there. But it is still a filthy place. Very filthy as there are no garbage receptacles there.

I have not brought up anything about the homeless situation in the north section of the park. Just the mess of the south in.

So don’t entertain me with homelessness info.

And as for the Saturday clean ups. First I find that very irresponsible for the City Council office to endorse a bunch of people

Getting together and going to a park to clean up as a group regardless of mask, gloves and social distancing in and area that

As I have read has the highest number of new Covid 19 Virus cases in the Bay Area.

So Preston, if you got something to say, then say it. But get to the problem rather than a bunch of BS. Second, I not walking from Fruitvale BART, or the Guadalajara Restaurant over to Union Point Park to clean up social distancing or not! But I’m here to tell you that your August 17th e-mail was a bunch of BS and doesn’t fix the problem.

That park is a total embarrassment.

David Ponas .

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On Aug 27, 2020, at 3:03 PM, Turner, Preston <PJTurner@oaklandca.gov> wrote:

Debra, I responded to David on August 17, 2020 ..

Preston

From: Israel, Debra <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 10:34 AM
To: Turner, Preston <PJTurner@oaklandca.gov>; Preston J Turner <drjaz55@gmail.com>
Cc: Gallo, Noel <NGallo@oaklandca.gov>; David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Subject: Fw: Yesterday at Union Point Park

Hi Preston,

I received from a constituent and wanted to share with you. Can you share any updates on Union Pt. Park and plans to address the issues as pictured below. I have included David, the constituent, in this email.
Thank you,

Debra Israel
Special Assistant to Councilmember Gallo, District 5
510-238-7005 (message only)

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RESOURCES:
NSD Website: Neighborhood Services Department

Emergency: 911 or by cell phone 777-3211
Non-Emergency: 777-3333
General Information / Patrol Desk: 238-3455

For Online Crime Reporting, Crime Prevention information, and more visit www.oaklandpolice.com

For filing a police misconduct complaint: https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/report-police-misconduct

Call 311 To report a problem to Public Works (e.g. dumping, graffiti, pothole, street light, trees, and sidewalks) and ask for a Tracking number.

From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 10:05 AM
To: Israel, Debra <DIsrael@oaklandca.gov>
Cc: Office of the Mayor <OfficeoftheMayor@oaklandca.gov>; Oakland Parks and Rec <parksandrec@oaklandca.gov>
Subject: Yesterday at Union Point Park

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From: David Ponas <DPonas@aol.com>
Date: September 10, 2020 at 10:58:29 AM PDT
To: "officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com" <officeofthemayor@oaklandnet.com>
Subject: Union Point Park
To: Anyone involved in the Closed Session
On City Council Meeting Today
From: David Ponas

Hello,
I just heard the other day about this closed session on Union Point Park. Thank you to Desmond Jeffries of Council Member Kaplan’s office for getting that info to me. I’m sorry that more City Government Officials are not as helpful as Mr. Jeffries. Here’s your chance to help!
Union Point Park is a total mess and needs everyone to get of the same page. You cannot go back in time but the City and officials have totally failed in this Park for years. Really the public should sue the City for neglect of this Park. Also whatever the “Unity Council” Input or responsibility is/was has been a failure. I remember Ms Torres, saying that landscaping skills would be taught to young people. Nothing like that ever happened at that Park.
It’s time to figure out that Park, clean it up
And get it to where it can be used for recreation by the community.

From: Kyla Willis <Kyla.Willis@dukerealty.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 3:49 PM
To: ReceptionDesk@BCDC <reception@bcdc.ca.gov>
Subject: Union Point Park

Hello! I want to introduce myself as a new property owner in the area of Union Point Park. Duke Realty just closed on the sale of two industrial buildings located at 955 Kennedy Street and 1991 Dennison Street. We are aware of the BCDC’s efforts to enforce the cleanup and restoration of the park and plan to listen to the hearing tomorrow.

Duke Realty’s footprint is growing rapidly in the Bay Area and Oakland in particular, so we would love to understand more about your mission and how we may be able to assist. Will you please direct this message to the most appropriate person?

Thanks in advance and I look forward to meeting you!

Kyla R. Willis

409 13th Street, 16th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
P: 510.989.5909
Dear Karen Donovan and Priscilla Njuguna:

I'm a slipholder at the Union Point Marina. I visit my boat several times a week, sometimes during the evening. I am self-employed and semi-retired, and I have set up a small office for my business on the boat.

I have read "The Plan" (Union Point Park Encampment Closure and Park Restoration Plan February 25, 2020) and, If I understand it correctly, all enforcement regarding the homeless encampment has been put on hold until the County declares the Covid-19 pandemic to be under control.

The Plan seems like a pretty good solution to a very complex problem. Just a couple of thoughts:

If and when the homeless encampment is finally cleared out, it will be crucial for the City to continually monitor the park, because what happened after the park was cleared the last time was, the homeless people gradually moved back in and re-established the encampment. Perhaps something like a citation with 72 hours to move out or face physical eviction after that deadline would be a humane policy. Repeat offenders would be evicted immediately.

In the meantime, while the encampment is still with us, the City needs to do a better job of keeping the area clean and safe. The repair of lighting was a big improvement--thank you for that! I've noticed that some residents of the homeless community as well as some marina slipholders actively clean up the area occasionally. However, there are way too few trash receptacles, and those are overflowing for days on end because the City does not empty them regularly. A Waste Management trash bin, unlocked, and placed near the homeless encampment would in my opinion greatly improve the public health and aesthetics of the area.

Thank you for your good work on this difficult problem.

John Timothy
(510) 541-7750
Greetings Karen and Priscilla,

I’m writing to you to voice my concerns about the state of the homeless encampment in the parking lot area here at Union Point Basin. My husband and I own three boats here in the marina and have been here since April 2018. Our concerns are as follows:
> Unsupervised children from the ages of about 4 to 16 who are clearly not in school.
> Used condoms strewn about the parking lot as evidence of possible prostitution taking place.
> Syringes also strewn about the parking lot as evidence of intravenous drug use.
> Constant screaming and fights among the homeless residents.
> Gun shots being fired during broad daylight and at all hours.
> Trash all over the parking lot and park.
> I’ve witnessed people trying to pick the lock to get into the gate to the marina or into the bathroom area.

In short, this is unacceptable. I realize that the homeless have rights, but so do we, as residents in good standing. It’s, quite frankly, appalling that BCDC and/or the City of Oakland are unable to find proper accommodations for the homeless. It is my understanding that they have been offered alternative accommodations but refuse to except them because of their dogs. Perhaps the dogs could go to a shelter, and the human beings could go to a more appropriate place than the parking lot in our marina. There needs to be some enforcement!!

We are tired of the drama and the lack of any sense of security. I’m not quite clear as to why you don’t follow through with your initial plan to have the park clean by APRIL 2020 (I realize COVID is a great EXCUSE), but some action needs to be taken. We are not safe here. Spend a night on the marina and you’ll see!

Neither my husband nor I will be available for tomorrow’s meeting, but I definitely wanted our voices heard.

I truly hope that you come to some sort of valid resolution so that the park can be enjoyed not only by the marina residents, but so that it can be enjoyed by all.... AS IT WAS INTENDED!!

Regards,
Adrienne C. Edmands
Union Park Basin
202-257-0701

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