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Sent: Friday, August 5, 2022 3:17 PM
To: Atkinson, Stephen; Atkinson, Stephen
Cc: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Tacoma Tide Flats SubArea Plan: Scoping

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Hello Stephen,

I have a few issues for consideration during the scoping phase of the Tacoma Tideflats SubArea Plan.

First, one of the great tragedies in Tacoma history was the City of Tacoma deciding to move the Port of Tacoma from the south shore of Commencement Bay to the Puyallup River delta.

The US Army Corps of Engineers compounded the tragedy when they straightened the lower river in the late 1940's.

The delta is likely the most fragile ecosystem within city limits where young anadromous fish adjust to swimming from fresh to saltwater and back to freshwater to spawn.

Given the huge decline in Puyallup anadromous fish populations since the City built the Port on the delta and the US Army Corps of Engineers straightened the lower river, it's clear that these events have had a devastating effect on anadromous fish and the Puyallup Tribe.

When comparing and contrasting the alternative Tacoma Tideflats SubArea Plans and subsequent changes to the river delta, please include the restoration of Puyallup anadromous fish habitat as one of the main factors in the decision-making process.

From now on, everything the Port of Tacoma does to improve the Port should include a substantial investment in restoring this delta ecosystem in a way that measurably increases the population of anadromous fish passing through it. Anything less is a continuation of one of the many social injustices that the Puyallup Tribe has endured for 170+ years.

Second, the Port of Tacoma is located in perhaps the most risk-prone area of the City, subject to liquification and tidal waves during and after an earthquake, lahars during and after a Mt. Rainier eruption, flooding, etc. Please consider including these rare but almost certain disasters and their likely effects on the delta, Commencement Bay and Puget Sound while considering the Tideflats SubArea Plan alternatives. Essentially, I'm proposing that the City severely restrict new development on the Tideflats and strongly encourage business owners to locate or relocate their business elsewhere in the city or county.

Last, the Port should make measurable progress towards being carbon neutral with every new project. For example, the Port of Tacoma is nearly treeless, and planting large trees in the city right-of-way would help mitigate its carbon pollution.

Thank you for considering the factors that I think are important when comparing and contrasting the alternative Tacoma Tideflats SubArea Plans.

Sincerely,
John Geoffrey Corso

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Tacoma

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From: Gomillion, Daisha (DSHS/ESA/CSD) <daisha.gomillion@dshs.wa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 1, 2022 11:38 AM
To: MacIntyre-Howard, Laurel; City Manager
Cc: Bushnell, Joe; Woodards, Victoria; City Clerk's Office
Subject: 311 Homeless report-McKinley Hill Friends Church
Attachments: McKinley Hill Friends Church.jpg; tent 2.jpg; Encampment Set up.jpg; Encampment Set up 2.jpg; cart.jpg; MHFC Encampment.jpg; MHFC 311 request.jpg; Condom.jpg; Gun safe 2.jpg; Gun safe 3.jpg; camp 11.jpg; Delp 2.jpg; Delp 1.jpg; Debris 3.jpg; Delp 3.jpg

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Hi Laurel,

I noticed that you closed my 311 request and marked it as a duplicate. This is not a duplicate request, this is not being addressed and is being ignored and/or dismissed. Sending an email and stating that HEAL offered services and they were declined is not sufficient, more needs to be done! For several years I have been getting the same generic response “***Under the 9th Circuit of Appeals decision, the city is required to provide adequate shelter space prior to performing an encampment removal***” .

Boise Vs. Martin is being used as a scapegoat, when will the City prioritize creating more beds for these individuals? My neighbors and myself have dealt with this long enough (several years); because we are on the Eastside no one cares and it is not a priority. If we were in North Tacoma this would have been addressed a while ago . Also, this is not public property they are camping on, this is private property and if the City is going to allow them to stay on the city ease way; the very tiny strip between McKinley Hill Friends church and the private property of Curtiss Delp they need to provide clean-up services and port-a-potties.

I am tired of seeing these campers defecate, urinate, fight, walking around nude taking hobo baths, and perform sexual acts on the undeveloped property behind my home. My neighbors and I feel as though we are living on a camping ground as the encampment is continuing to grow (as it always does).

My 7 year old daughter as well as the other school elementary/middle school aged kids in this neighborhood **DO NOT** need to see this while she is playing in the back yard. We also have two homes being built in our cul-de-sac and I saw a few of the campers on the construction equipment this weekend (I’m not sure what they are looking for). I have reported this to the developer.

This needs to be addressed ASAP, stop using Boise Vs. Martin as a scapegoat it is getting tired. I would like to know what efforts are being made by the City of Tacoma to create more beds for these unhoused individuals (they pay no property taxes on any of the property they are camping on). Dealing with this for years has caused me health issues and I’m tired! Also, it decreases our property values and threatens our public safety when we have an encampment right behind our neighborhood.

The next step is to take this to the News and expose all the ignored 311 request that I have submitted regarding the issues in this area; as well as hire a lawyer.

This has been going on too long.

Daisha N. Gomillion, MBA (she/her)

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Sent: Friday, July 29, 2022 9:42 AM
To: Gomillion, Daisha (DSHS/ESA/CSD) <daisha.gomillion@dshs.wa.gov>
Subject: Homeless report

External Email

Hi,
Please give me a call at the number below to discuss.
Thank you.

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Submitted To: City of Tacoma - Neighborhood and Community - Human Service Division

Category: Homeless Encampment and Requests for Outreach





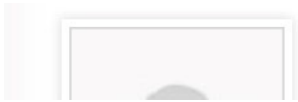
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The HEAL team has been out multiple times to speak with the individuals at this site.

Under a 9th Circuit Court of Appeals decision, the City is required to provide adequate shelter space prior to performing an encampment removal. Currently the city of Tacoma's shelter space is significantly constrained. We anticipate bringing on several additional shelter locations soon, which will provide additional capacity to address encampment locations throughout the City. Please continue to use 311 (and 911 when the circumstances are emergent or criminal) to report issues and concerns as we do evaluate that data as we evaluate locations for removal.



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