

From: Paige Horst <paigehorst92@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2023 7:30 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Honest solutions to the crime wave in Tacoma.

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Good evening,

While I am sure this email will not get to the person it needs to go to, I really want to share my opinion on the criminal spike in pierce county, because let's be honest, it is not just Tacoma. I understand there are politics involved in what is going on, but to be honest, I don't really believe that is an excuse. I find it appalling that I can not walk down the streets I grew up on, without having to be terrified I am going to be robbed and possibly worse. Covid came and went and there is also 0 reason we should be releasing people back into the city after they have committed a crime, over and over again. I have been super passionate about this, because I grew up here, I took the city bus to downtown and spend the days with my friends in this beautiful place. Now I would NEVER in a million years let my kids do that. There is no police presence, and if there is, they can't do anything even if something was seen. I work for a contractor and do the contracts and compliance for all of the TEMS projects currently in progress, and it's a WASTE on the budget the city gives to address these issues. Correct me if I am wrong but isn't it kind of a moot point to build facilities that homeless can't come into because they are strung out on drugs? Your taking valuable land that could be used for something so much better. A garden? To help people eat who can't afford to because cost of living is so high? How about a safe space for teens to go and be monitored and safe while they have fun? Why are we trying to gorse help on people who have told you many times that they don't want the help? They are happy living a transient lifestyle.

I would love to actually share my ideas with the right person, I have a lot.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Jennifer Clark <jenjenwill@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2023 8:50 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Please Recriminalize Drug Possessions

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Dear Elected Officials:

It is hard to believe that a letter requesting drug possession be criminalized needs to be written. Yet here we are.

I don't know who this law is currently designed to protect. It certainly isn't loving and caring to decriminalize drugs because it is most often the only chance these people will ever have to be able to get their lives back together. The drugs have taken away their ability to make choices for their health and safety. The legal system is oftentimes the only way to get addicts & criminals attention and get them out of harms way. I speak from experience.

My husband was a meth addict. This landed him in legal trouble for which he went to prison for. It was only because of the legal system that he joined a program in prison and got the tools he needed. He served 4 years for drug possession. He now has 9 years of being sober under his belt. He is a law, abiding and tax paying citizen. This would not have happened had he not gotten arrested. My daughter who is now homeless and addicted to fentanyl and living on the streets is eight months pregnant. I don't even have the hope that she could be arrested and get the help she needs. That would give her a period of time to get sober and get her wits back about her. And lead her on the path to recovery. And ensure that the baby would be born safe, and not out on the street somewhere. This is a heartbreaking and agonizing issue. Our laws are contributing to it. Dare I say, now... responsible for it!

The citizens of Tacoma are tired of this. And the pendulum will swing the other way, and we will look to elect people who are taking a hard line stance on drugs and crime .

Making everything permissible helps no one. The crime that is fueled by addiction is a serious matter in our community also. Our vehicles have been broken into and all of my husband's tools stolen that he needs to earn his living. In our neighborhood 4 vehicles were stolen just in the last month.

Help the people in this community that elected you by decriminalizing drug possession.

Best Regards,
Jennifer Clark

From: John Sevier <akfishbuyer@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 11, 2023 11:58 AM
To: City Clerk's Office; Alicja Wanot; nicole.amdahl@gmail.com
Subject: Re: Written Comment
Attachments: Questions and Statement for Council Meeting.docx; IMG_E7938.JPG; IMG_E7939.JPG

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Jessica,
Thank you for the email last nite. I would like to add our comments to last evening's Council meeting. Please forward this to make sure it gets into the minutes. Also, I have included pictures that need to be added to the written document. The pictures were taken just prior to last nites Council meeting.
Thanks again.
John Sevier and Alicja Wanot

On Tue, Jan 10, 2023 at 6:33 PM City Clerk's Office <cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org> wrote:

Hello,

You can submit written comment for the City Council to cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org.

Thank you,

Jessica Jenkins
City of Tacoma | City Clerk's Office
Phone: 253.591.5167 | Fax: 253.591.5300

January 10, 2023

Statement for Council Meeting

As an introduction, I am Alicja Wanot, who resides on South “I” Street between 18th and 21st. I am a City tax paying resident of Tacoma. I have lived at the residence for 5 years and have had a great relationship with the surrounding neighbors. I have appreciated the increased professional presence from the U of W, McCarver Elementary School and St. Joseph’s Hospital. These facilities have invested millions and increased the quality of professionals in the neighborhood.

However, I am here today to speak to you about the degradation of the immediate neighborhood over the past few months. I have a homeless camp littering the street with at least 12 tents across the street from my dwelling. This group continues to produced a myriad of drug sales, high volumes of traffic, garbage and filth beyond description and large safety concerns for myself and neighbors. The tents now cover the sidewalk forcing hospital workers, residents and others to walk in the middle of the street where these same homeless people are driving impaired. All the neighbors including the hospital are in jeopardy and there will be an incident at some future date. I have continued to call the “311” number to the city and like a ping pong ball, the city transfers me to either the homeless department where no one ever picks up the phone and the voicemail is full and cannot take more messages, or I get shuffled to the 911 operators where they seem to have other more pressing issues.

In addition to the above, I have had my vehicle damaged by this group and the cost of repair is at least \$2500 with a minimum \$500 deductible. Also, this group have left feces on my front porch, a guy trying to beat

down my front door, a guy urinating on the street in front of me, oil spills from poor quality cars driven by the homeless, drug needles left on my car and vomit left in the street.

I have attained an attorney to represent me in the multiple issues if you(the city council)refuse to address the problem. The next piece to my fight to remove the homeless across the street from me on "I" street is to increase pressure with the safety organizations, press and to file a lawsuit if things are not changed or addressed.

I would like to mention that law enforcement has been great but apparently their hands are tied.

So, the big question for the City Council is when can I expect action from the City instead of continued patronizing by the city which has no effect on my situation?

If you are looking for alternatives, I am more than willing to sell my house to you for \$1.4M and I would be more than willing to find new accommodations in another part of the City.

And please give me a date when you will fix this problem?

Sincerely,

Alicja Wanot





From: Keith Schuster <keithschuster1@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2022 5:40 PM
To: Ushka, Catherine; City Clerk's Office
Subject: Please support the County Prosecutor's Letter to the Legislature - fix law on drugs & police pursuit

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Council Member Ushka,

Please provide your backing in the City Council, and request that the Mayor support the Pierce County Prosecutor's efforts. As you know, the Prosecutor sent a letter to the legislature asking that they fix the changes in the law on drugs, as well as police pursuit standards which have "significantly contributed" to the drastic increases in both violent crime and property crime. The letter was signed by 16 local cities and jurisdictions – but not by the City of Tacoma.

Actions speak louder than words. Please make things better. Please help stop the cycle of crime, drugs, addictions, squalor, and lawlessness. Please help make the City of Tacoma a better place to live. Innocent citizens, businesses, taxpayers, and children deserve this support.

Respectfully,

Keith Schuster, CPA -Retired
CW5-Retired, US Army

From: Kenneth Smith <kendianes70@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 2:06 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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It's time to go back to the old way of locking up the bad guys Your way doesn't work and it's not going to get better.You are part of the problem or you can be what fixes it. Let's really do the right thing or you can get a new job.

From: Rick and Claire Grantham <crgrantham01@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 3:34 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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I wouldn't visit Tacoma if my life depended on it..terrible what our "leaders " have let happen there.
Rick Grantham
Poulsbo

Sent from my iPad

From: dreamzebra41 <dreamzebra41@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 5:21 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Lawlessness

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When will this Mayor address crime in this city!? This is off the hook! Seriously!? This is the "City if Destiny"? What destiny...a slow death? Drug use, homelessness, theft....

You folks are a friggin' JOKE!

Plan thisplan that...new plan this....new ideas...crap! All crap! Put criminals in jail and stop this assault on middle class working people!

Reid Weaver
425-999-7933

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From: Teri S <teri831@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 6:19 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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Let me start by saying that I have lived in Washington State for around 30 years now. The changes I have seen over these last years are terrifying. I am a mother and a grandmother and knowing that my kids and grandchildren have to grow up here with so much crime scares me half to death. It is not safe anywhere in Tacoma or the suburbs of Tacoma. It is not even safe in our homes. Something has got to me done. Innocent people are dying every day because these thugs can get away with it. Have you been out to the average store to go shopping lately? Most likely not or you would know that chances are really high that when you go back out to get into your car it's already gone. Not a big deal right? Well it is a BIG deal to us average folks, but don't worry you can call the police but they won't help you. What would you feel like if one of your grandchildren were driving down the road and another one of these flippin thugs decide to run a red light, because he knows nothing will happen to him. He runs that light and hits a vehicle that has your loved ones in it, will it make a difference now? I beg you please for the safety of all the people that live here, make the necessary changes so maybe one day we may feel safe in the city we live in.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2022 8:46 AM
To: Mark Andrews
Cc: Matlock, James; Mike Madden; Matt Theinert; City Clerk's Office; Tacoma Business Council; Real, Chantra; Woodards, Victoria; Blocker, Keith; Hines, John; Campbell, Haley; dean@simmonsauto.com; fish; Rbrown@lifeforceservicesinc.com; Hines, John; City Manager; Griffith, Allyson; Heidi S.; Ushka, Catherine; Goodwin, Claire; info@2ravensstudio.com; dustin; Mike Givens; Sophia McKee; John F. Pugh; Joelle Siebert; Grace Yarber; armormark3@sbcglobal.net; Dennis Nyland; allison b; Maureen Fife; Adam Gehrke; ed; T and T Tire Point S Auto Service Ed Tuck III; jjones@k7.com; Justin Williams; David@q13fox.com; Chrissy Mady; info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com; Chris Hamilton; matt@drcveneering.com; Rock, Brittany; william.g.rupert@usps.gov; Karen Rich (krich0093@gmail.com); BRIAN ARNOLD INS AGENCY-Brian; Faaluaina Pritchard; BRISTOW'S AUTO REPAIR-Pete; Josh Harris
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We had our third attempted arson against our building on Monday. Homeless addicts placed a pallet against our building and lit it on fire. Oh, and I'll just leave this here...

Dec. 20—Tacoma City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will receive a raise, her second in less than a year, after the City Council approved an updated compensation plan Dec. 13.

The council approved Pauli's annual wage of \$287,872 in May during her performance review. In 2023, she will make a yearly wage of \$309,566, which is a 7.5 percent salary increase. The city manager can make up to \$376,501 under the plan.

Tacoma Public Utilities Director Jackie Flowers will also receive a raise under the updated compensation plan. In 2023, the director will make \$409,677, a 5.6% wage increase. The director salary ranges up to \$498,243. Flowers currently makes \$388,003 annually.

Deputy Mayor Catherine Ushka, District 4, acknowledged Pauli's recent raise but said the new compensation plan ensures the city is paying its employees fairly.

"During my lifetime, there haven't been a lot of female leaders in cities, there haven't been a lot of female leaders of utilities, but a lot of my lifetime, women have been asked to take on more and more responsibility but not with any equal pay," she said. "This is making sure that the women that lead our organizations are getting equal pay as anybody else in the position."

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& Monday, January 2nd 2023.
Have a Safe & Happy Holiday Season!*

From: Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 8:31 AM

To: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>

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I had to put in a \$600k water collection pond so the wastewater from the building and parking lot didn't go directly into the water system not but 1-5 blocks from the sewage dumping RV's that canvas our business district.

Maybe they should have to put in their own collection ponds?

Sincerely,



Addison Construction Supply, Inc.
Serving the NW since 1977

From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 8:24 AM

To: Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>

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Subject: RE: Illegal Camping

Please remember, the City Council approved narrative is that the crime and addiction fueled mayhem actively destroying our communities is in no way tied or associated with the drug and human trafficking encampments and derelict RV's found all over the city. And never mind the irreversible environmental damage these same encampments and RV's are causing. Reality and facts are not allowed in this conversation. Thank you and carry on.

Michael J Johnson

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Amazing.

Most likely great off the shelf of a Home Depot. Stolen of course.

Mark Andrews

Addison Construction Supply
1-800-474-0711

On Dec 13, 2022, at 4:04 PM, Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com> wrote:

On South Proctor someone attempted to sabotage our parking situation down here. 3 of us from Delta Tooling spent approx. 45 minutes picking up THOUSANDS of nails, that have been scattered over every open place where we park our vehicles on the street and on our property. The attached photo shows a handful that our guy picked up in about 5 minutes time. They were everywhere! There were large piles of nails between all the ecology blocks, and then the entire street was lined with them. Our assumption here is this is a response from one of the rv's who was forced to move on out of the no camping zone. I have never seen so many nails on the roadway. My honest estimation is we removed about 5000 nails today, from the road and every surface where a vehicle could potentially be parked. Not sure if other open air-drug-market-camps use this tactic too, be on the lookout. About half of them were steel, and half were aluminum, all about 1 to 1.5 inch long.

Matt
Delta tooling

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

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From: Matlock, James <James.Matlock@PLATT.com>

Sent: Friday, December 9, 2022 8:18:05 AM

To: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>; Mike Madden <mike@mpindustrial.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>; Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org <cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org>; Tacoma Business Council <info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com>

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If my boss would allow, I would have already gone over there myself. Supposedly, an officer is being dispatched to my location. I'm waiting to see what happens.

James

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Sent: Friday, December 9, 2022 8:06 AM

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Subject: RE: Illegal Camping

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If you would like assistance in retrieving your stolen items, as it has become more than obvious over the previous 2 years the City Council does not care about our plight, I'm sure we could arrange a group of volunteers to help you in that endeavor.

We will also need to have some sort of emergency meeting regarding the dangerous, open-air drug encampment that has overwhelmed the medians on the Union Street Flyover from South Tacoma Way just past 38th street. There have been young children reported roaming around unsupervised in that encampment, a multitude of stolen cars, obvious and unabated drug trafficking, and now they had their first shooting there this week. It will not be the last, and eventually an innocent person driving or walking by or someone from the neighboring businesses is going to get seriously injured or killed.

The City Council may think this is perfectly acceptable. I for one do not.

Michael J Johnson

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We will be closing at 1:00 pm on Thursday, December 22nd

We will be closed on Friday, December 23rd,

Monday, December 26th, Friday, December 29th,

*& Monday, January 2nd 2023.
Have a Safe & Happy Holiday Season!*

From: Matlock, James <James.Matlock@PLATT.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 6:48 PM
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Ya know, I always try to keep a positive outlook. My business has been broken into many times and tens of thousands of dollars' worth of items have been vandalized and/or stolen. Today was especially annoying because when I reported last night's break in and was told an officer would be dispatched to my location, I waited for many hours before calling back to be told to keep waiting. After calling back many times hour after hour, and waiting for 12 hours still not fixing the damaged property waiting for the police, I'm now told to secure my building and call back tomorrow.

Some details: I have the thief on multiple security cameras breaking in, damaging property, and stealing items. Oh ya maybe I should include walking from the homeless encampment on the street in front of my building and walking back to his trash pile with my items. The stolen property is still in plain sight.

James Matlock
1SG, USA (Ret)

From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>
Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 9:05 AM
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The status quo! We get to fund our own demise. Isn't that exciting! But the pension fund, which rivals the general fund in scope and size, is all funded! Whew! What a relief! And don't worry, the City economics guy assured us their spending will continue to increase even though their revenues continue to decrease. That's their continuous model! Just like we run our businesses, am I right?

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Why is a blind eye being turned ???? because all you city officials only care about is your VOTE
I am starting a social media campaign to make sure other business do not make the huge mistake like I did by
moving their entire business from another city to Tacoma, especially now with the new business license increase
what a F!@&^%\$ joke and slap in the face. My new 2023 fees to do business in this joke of a city will be \$1500.00

and \$2000.00 in 2024

My city of Seattle license is only \$132.00 for 2023. Can someone please tell me what the hell are the businesses in the city of Tacoma going to be getting with these higher license fees??????

Best Regards

Mike Madden

Owner/Sales Manager

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A girl parked in her car outside the shop here just now and nodded off on opiates for like an hour and a half, with her foot on the brakes the whole time. After some time I noticed on the cameras, her car going in reverse towards our concrete building at a high rate of speed, and wouldn't you know it, she crashed her car into the building HARD. Like the car is likely totaled hard! If there had been someone out there, they would've been killed! Victoria Bullshit! It's up for you to take some initiative here, and step the fuck up and fix this shit. Innocent tax-paying people are going to get hurt! We did not choose this lifestyle!

Matt

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From: [Matt Theinert](#)

Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 10:23 AM

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Text this number: 253-260-2380 it's the homeless outreach guy, he's been responding to me about having some more attention here on S proctor, to drive out the remaining RVs in our no camping zone. I can't remember his name lol

Matt

Also, did you hear that Seattle police department DEFUNDED AN ADDITIONAL 80 POLICE OFFICERS???

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From: [Mark Andrews](#)

Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 3:21 PM

To: [Michael Johnson](#); cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; [Tacoma Business Council](#)

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Can I ask the City of Tacoma people attached how many times a camper has to be called in prior to movement happening?

This is 1 block from the 69th Street little homes on 69th and Adams.

There are other cars parked close by as well. This camper has cameras installed around his perimeter as well.

It's been called in to 311 for well over a year probably 200 times.

Sincerely,

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Addison Construction Supply, Inc.

Serving the NW since 1977

From: Mark Andrews

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2022 2:25 PM

To: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; Tacoma Business Council

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Subject: Business License

Council,

Is this chart for real? How many of the council members have owned businesses?

The businesses paying the bulk of your taxes and bills are getting 500% increases on their annual business license, while it costs the City of Tacoma no more for that license than others?

Does the City hate the businesses that do business here? It appears the Council is trying to push businesses out of town. It's hard not to consider moving our corporate operations to a more business friendly town. Is this the councils goal?

According to your chart a business that does \$5,000,001.00 in business will pay \$1,500 in Business license fees. Is the \$515,000.00 Tacoma receive in Sales Tax from those sales not enough to feed your thirst to spend money? You need an extra \$1500 to be whole?

Do the Math, these companies are the ones paying your bills, nickel and dime taxes add up to a fortune year over year and you can't just continue to increase fees everywhere.

Tacoma City Light and Tacoma water have roughly hit us with a 15% increase to cover costs. I'd suggest if you'd like to increase fees, you look at that type of an increase.

Tacoma has a spending problem that can't be subsidized by the businesses that pay the bills. Figure out your budget with funds that exist or cut unneeded salaries and expenses. This is just one more slap in the face to the businesses in this town.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Home in Tacoma for All

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PwDUdBPS4yffjOO3zMtKUB6w53IcLOZa61U5WxzupQE/edit?fbclid=IwAR1gYkmBXuAIaIaTu9nuo-TyX-Lqjj5EJ92-b7EL1bMO1zBERgVbi7mP8k>

This level of vitriol and defamation is completely uncalled for. These activist groups do not care about the people living in squalor and blight while battling the demons of addiction and mental illness. Many of whom are continuously victimized by the criminal elements running the drug encampments. We know for a fact that everything from human trafficking to chop shops to drug manufacturing and distribution is the norm in these camps. And they are driving the rampant crime and violence plaguing our communities and costing our Small Business sector hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses. Not to mention the environmental damage these camps are causing which has been well documented. This has nothing to do with homelessness. This does not criminalize homelessness. This addresses a long overdue need to protect the people in the encampments and get them the help and services they need but may be unwilling or unable to accept. These activist groups know this. But these people are just fodder to them. A means to an end.

The council members who supported and passed this ban should be commended for their courage to do so. Those who rejected it and are beholden to the activists corruptly using this issue to push a hard left socialist agenda without thought or care for the collateral damage afflicted on the encampment residents and our Community as a whole should be ashamed of themselves.

And if I was Angela Connelly, I would sue them into oblivion for this vicious and uncalled for and completely unfounded personal attack.

Michael J Johnson
South Tacoma Business District
Board of Directors

From: Justin Teerlinck <justin.teerlinck@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 21, 2022 1:46 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Regarding the pressure tactics of Tacoma Business Council

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Dear Mayor Woodards,

I wanted to express my disdain at the pressure tactics being deployed to force your compliance with ill-formed activist efforts by Tacoma Business Council and other local, city mayors in the South Sound.

I provided a detailed public rebuttal to these efforts in The Suburban Times. It can be found here, in the replies to the original post:

<https://thesubtimes.com/2022/12/20/there-is-an-answer-to-bring-down-crime-but-our-mayor-refuses-to-take-action/>

While there are strong passions surrounding the issue of crime and drug use, and the pressure to "do something" is intense, it is important to eschew quick-fix, short-term solutions that risk causing further damage. Crime, drug-use, poverty, and high cost of living are all interconnected issues. Long-term solutions to these problems must be supported by data and evidence.

I found it interesting that instead of focusing on finding long-term solutions, the Tacoma Business Council has chosen to scapegoat you. The letter signed by the other mayors also appeared to be an empty symbolic gesture designed to placate a reactionary citizenry while scoring a few easy political points.

As noted in my response in The Suburban Times, prosecutors already have all the tools they need in order to charge people, even if de facto decriminalization exists. Furthermore, I do not see how returning to imprisoning people for petty, victimless crimes like simple possession will make our streets any safer.

Involuntary drug-treatment and sentencing diversion look great on paper, but in practice, is coerced, involuntary treatment going to fundamentally change anyone's life for the better or alter their future behavior? These options are touted as "humane" and effective only because they are less harsh than going to prison with a felony conviction, but aside from that function, they are useless.

We need humane, compassionate options for people to access health care, housing and social-betterment programs that are organized and managed in such a way that peoples' individual autonomy and dignity are respected. "Tough on crime" quick-fixes like vigorous prosecution have been tried for decades, and they have failed.

I will conclude this letter with my hope that you choose not to bow to the unjust political pressure placed upon you by the Tacoma Business Council, and their attempt to create a moral panic. Such efforts are at best a waste of time, and at worst they prey on peoples' fears in order to incite their rage. These and other forms of manipulation and social engineering are not an effective methodology for solving intractable problems faced by our community.

Please have a safe, happy, peaceful holiday season.

Kindly,

Justin Teerlinck

From: Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2022 7:03 AM
To: Michael Johnson; Mark Andrews
Cc: Matlock, James; Mike Madden; City Clerk's Office; Tacoma Business Council; Real, Chantra; Woodards, Victoria; Blocker, Keith; Hines, John; Campbell, Haley; dean@simmonsauto.com; fish; Rbrown@lifeforceservicesinc.com; Hines, John; City Manager; Griffith, Allyson; Heidi S.; Ushka, Catherine; Goodwin, Claire; info@2ravensstudio.com; dustin; Mike Givens; Sophia McKee; John F. Pugh; Joelle Siebert; Grace Yarber; armormark3@sbcglobal.net; Dennis Nyland; allison b; Maureen Fife; Adam Gehrke; ed; T and T Tire Point S Auto Service Ed Tuck III; jjones@kiro7.com; Justin Williams; David@q13fox.com; Chrissy Mady; Chris Hamilton; matt@drcveneering.com; Rock, Brittany; william.g.rupert@usps.gov; Karen Rich (krich0093@gmail.com); BRIAN ARNOLD INS AGENCY-Brian; Faaluaina Pritchard; BRISTOW'S AUTO REPAIR-Pete; Josh Harris
Subject: RE: Illegal Camping

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Mike, I am sorry to hear you're still having those type of problems, perhaps a heavy coat of foggy spray from a fire extinguisher would remind these Gronks to fuck off somewhere else. Let me know if you need any help with fires over there. If any of you would like more information about this massive open air drug market problem our area is overrun with, I encourage you to check out the subreddit devoted to this subject: <https://www.reddit.com/r/seattlehobos/> Shit-toria got or is getting soon a cost of living pay increase too, batshit insane to me.

Matt

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We had our third attempted arson against our building on Monday. Homeless addicts placed a pallet against our building and lit it on fire. Oh, and I'll just leave this here...

Dec. 20—Tacoma City Manager Elizabeth Pauli will receive a raise, her second in less than a year, after the City Council approved an updated compensation plan Dec. 13.

The council approved Pauli's annual wage of \$287,872 in May during her performance review. In 2023, she will make a yearly wage of \$309,566, which is a 7.5 percent salary increase. The city manager can make up to \$376,501 under the plan.

Tacoma Public Utilities Director Jackie Flowers will also receive a raise under the updated compensation plan. In 2023, the director will make \$409,677, a 5.6% wage increase. The director salary ranges up to \$498,243. Flowers currently makes \$388,003 annually.

Deputy Mayor Catherine Ushka, District 4, acknowledged Pauli's recent raise but said the new compensation plan ensures the city is paying its employees fairly.

"During my lifetime, there haven't been a lot of female leaders in cities, there haven't been a lot of female leaders of utilities, but a lot of my lifetime, women have been asked to take on more and more responsibility but not with any equal pay," she said. "This is making sure that the women that lead our organizations are getting equal pay as anybody else in the position."

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From: Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 8:31 AM

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I had to put in a \$600k water collection pond so the wastewater from the building and parking lot didn't go directly into the water system not but 1-5 blocks from the sewage dumping RV's that canvas our business district.

Maybe they should have to put in their own collection ponds?

Sincerely,



Mark Andrews
President
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From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 8:24 AM

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Please remember, the City Council approved narrative is that the crime and addiction fueled mayhem actively destroying our communities is in no way tied or associated with the drug and human trafficking encampments and derelict RV's found all over the city. And never mind the irreversible environmental damage these same encampments and RV's are causing. Reality and facts are not allowed in this conversation. Thank you and carry on.

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From: Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>

Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2022 4:33 PM

To: Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>

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Amazing.

Most likely great off the shelf of a Home Depot. Stolen of course.

Mark Andrews

Addison Construction Supply

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On Dec 13, 2022, at 4:04 PM, Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com> wrote:

On South Proctor someone attempted to sabotage our parking situation down here. 3 of us from Delta Tooling spent approx. 45 minutes picking up THOUSANDS of nails, that have been scattered over every open place where we park our vehicles on the street and on our property. The attached photo shows a handful that our guy picked up in about 5 minutes time. They were everywhere! There were large piles of nails between all the ecology blocks, and then the entire street was lined with them. Our assumption here is this is a response from one of the rv's who was forced to move on out of the no camping zone. I have never seen so many nails on the roadway. My honest estimation is we removed about 5000 nails today, from the road and every surface where a vehicle could potentially be parked. Not sure if other open air-drug-market-camps use this tactic too, be on the lookout. About half of them were steel, and half were aluminum, all about 1 to 1.5 inch long.

Matt

Delta tooling

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From: Matlock, James <James.Matlock@PLATT.com>

Sent: Friday, December 9, 2022 8:18:05 AM

To: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>; Mike Madden <mike@mpindustrial.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>; Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; Tacoma Business Council <info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com>

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If my boss would allow, I would have already gone over there myself. Supposedly, an officer is being dispatched to my location. I'm waiting to see what happens.

James

From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>
Sent: Friday, December 9, 2022 8:06 AM
To: Matlock, James <James.Matlock@PLATT.com>; Mike Madden <mike@mpindustrial.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>; Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; Tacoma Business Council <info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com>
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If you would like assistance in retrieving your stolen items, as it has become more than obvious over the previous 2 years the City Council does not care about our plight, I'm sure we could arrange a group of volunteers to help you in that endeavor.

We will also need to have some sort of emergency meeting regarding the dangerous, open-air drug encampment that has overwhelmed the medians on the Union Street Flyover from South Tacoma Way just past 38th street. There have been young children reported roaming around unsupervised in that encampment, a multitude of stolen cars, obvious and unabated drug trafficking, and now they had their first shooting there this week. It will not be the last, and eventually an innocent person driving or walking by or someone from the neighboring businesses is going to get seriously injured or killed.

The City Council may think this is perfectly acceptable. I for one do not.

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Sent: Thursday, December 8, 2022 6:48 PM

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Subject: RE: Illegal Camping

Ya know, I always try to keep a positive outlook. My business has been broken into many times and tens of thousands of dollars' worth of items have been vandalized and/or stolen. Today was especially annoying because when I reported last night's break in and was told an officer would be dispatched to my location, I waited for many hours before calling back to be told to keep waiting. After calling back many times hour after hour, and waiting for

12 hours still not fixing the damaged property waiting for the police, I'm now told to secure my building and call back tomorrow.

Some details: I have the thief on multiple security cameras breaking in, damaging property, and stealing items. Oh ya maybe I should include walking from the homeless encampment on the street in front of my building and walking back to his trash pile with my items. The stolen property is still in plane sight.

James Matlock
1SG, USA (Ret)

From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>
Sent: Friday, December 2, 2022 9:05 AM
To: Mike Madden <mike@mpindustrial.com>; Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com>; Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; Tacoma Business Council <info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com>
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The status quo! We get to fund our own demise. Isn't that exciting! But the pension fund, which rivals the general fund in scope and size, is all funded! Whew! What a relief! And don't worry, the City economics guy assured us their spending will continue to increase even though their revenues continue to decrease. That's their continuous model! Just like we run our businesses, am I right?

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Why is a blind eye being turned ??? because all you city officials only care about is your VOTE
I am starting a social media campaign to make sure other business do not make the huge mistake like I did by moving their entire business from another city to Tacoma, especially now with the new business license increase what a F!@&^%\$ joke and slap in the face. My new 2023 fees to do business in this joke of a city will be \$1500.00 and \$2000.00 in 2024
My city of Seattle license is only \$132.00 for 2023.Can someone please tell me what the hell are the businesses in the city of Tacoma going to be getting with these higher license fees???????

Best Regards

Mike Madden

Owner/Sales Manager

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Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 4:57 PM

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A girl parked in her car outside the shop here just now and nodded off on opiates for like an hour and a half, with her foot on the brakes the whole time. After some time I noticed on the cameras, her car going in reverse towards our concrete building at a high rate of speed, and wouldn't you know it, she crashed her car into the building HARD. Like the car is likely totaled hard! If there had been someone out there, they would've been killed! Victoria Bullshit! It's up for you to take some initiative here, and step the fuck up and fix this shit. Innocent tax-paying people are going to get hurt! We did not choose this lifestyle!

Matt

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From: [Matt Theinert](#)

Sent: Thursday, December 1, 2022 10:23 AM

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Text this number: 253-260-2380 it's the homeless outreach guy, he's been responding to me about having some more attention here on S proctor, to drive out the remaining RVs in our no camping zone. I can't remember his name lol

Matt

Also, did you hear that Seattle police department DEFUNDED AN ADDITIONAL 80 POLICE OFFICERS???

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From: [Mark Andrews](#)

Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 3:21 PM

To: [Michael Johnson](#); cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; [Tacoma Business Council](#)

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Subject: Illegal Camping

Can I ask the City of Tacoma people attached how many times a camper has to be called in prior to movement happening?

This is 1 block from the 69th Street little homes on 69th and Adams.

There are other cars parked close by as well. This camper has cameras installed around his perimeter as well.

It's been called in to 311 for well over a year probably 200 times.

Sincerely,

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From: Mark Andrews

Sent: Monday, October 31, 2022 2:25 PM

To: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>; cityclerk@cityoftacoma.org; Tacoma Business Council <info@tacomabusinesscouncil.com>

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Subject: Business License

Council,

Is this chart for real? How many of the council members have owned businesses?

The businesses paying the bulk of your taxes and bills are getting 500% increases on their annual business license, while it costs the City of Tacoma no more for that license than others?

Does the City hate the businesses that do business here? It appears the Council is trying to push businesses out of town. It's hard not to consider moving our corporate operations to a more business friendly town. Is this the councils goal?

According to your chart a business that does \$5,000,001.00 in business will pay \$1,500 in Business license fees. Is the \$515,000.00 Tacoma receive in Sales Tax from those sales not enough to feed your thirst to spend money? You need an extra \$1500 to be whole?

Do the Math, these companies are the ones paying your bills, nickel and dime taxes add up to a fortune year over year and you can't just continue to increase fees everywhere.

Tacoma City Light and Tacoma water have roughly hit us with a 15% increase to cover costs. I'd suggest if you'd like to increase fees, you look at that type of an increase.

Tacoma has a spending problem that can't be subsidized by the businesses that pay the bills. Figure out your budget with funds that exist or cut unneeded salaries and expenses. This is just one more slap in the face to the businesses in this town.

Sincerely,

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From: Michael Johnson <Michael@polybagllc.com>

Sent: Friday, October 14, 2022 9:58 AM

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Subject: Home in Tacoma for All

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PwDUdBPS4yffjOO3zMtkUB6w53IcLOZa61U5WxzupQE/edit?fbclid=IwAR1gYkmBXuAIaTu9nuo-TyX-Lqjj5EJ92-b7EL1bMO1zBERgVbi7mP8k>

This level of vitriol and defamation is completely uncalled for. These activist groups do not care about the people living in squalor and blight while battling the demons of addiction and mental illness. Many of whom are continuously victimized by the criminal elements running the drug encampments. We know for a fact that everything from human trafficking to chop shops to drug manufacturing and distribution is the norm in these camps. And they are driving the rampant crime and violence plaguing our communities and costing our Small Business sector hundreds of thousands of dollars in losses. Not to mention the environmental damage these camps are causing

which has been well documented. This has nothing to do with homelessness. This does not criminalize homelessness. This addresses a long overdue need to protect the people in the encampments and get them the help and services they need but may be unwilling or unable to accept. These activist groups know this. But these people are just fodder to them. A means to an end.

The council members who supported and passed this ban should be commended for their courage to do so. Those who rejected it and are beholden to the activists corruptly using this issue to push a hard left socialist agenda without thought or care for the collateral damage afflicted on the encampment residents and our Community as a whole should be ashamed of themselves.

And if I was Angela Connelly, I would sue them into oblivion for this vicious and uncalled for and completely unfounded personal attack.

Michael J Johnson
South Tacoma Business District
Board of Directors

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From: Eileen Newton <mammyde2@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, December 24, 2022 7:30 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Cc: Blocker, Keith; Hines, John
Subject: Concern

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I'm listening to the public hearings and I whole heartedly appreciate the numerous citizens who take the time to write and organize a verbal comment to help city council understand what we want in our city. I haven't been listening to city council meetings for over a year because, for years, I heard citizens speaking and watched city council members ignore what was being said. It sickened me to participate in this process and against all my desires for a better Tacoma, I left.

Eileen Newton (she/her)

From: notification@cityoftacoma.org
Sent: Tuesday, December 27, 2022 2:15 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Submit Your Feedback to the Committee 2022-12-27 02:14 PM(PST) Submission Notification

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Submit Your Feedback to the Committee 2022-12-27 02:14 PM(PST) was submitted by Guest on 12/27/2022 2:14:59 PM (GMT-08:00) Pacific Time, L.A.

Name	Value
Name	Chris Nighswonger
Email Address	Gncwonger@msn.com
Subject	Visionzero
Message	Pretty stupid changing the speed limit to 20. Police don't even enforce current speed limits, let alone ones going 70 on residential streets. What a waste of money changing out signs. This should have been put to the public for opinion. From An excellent driver.

To view this form submission online, please follow the link below:

<https://www.cityoftacoma.org/form/one.aspx?objectId=233010&contextId=53725&returnto=submissions>

From: Mark Andrews <mark@addisonsupply.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2022 8:19 AM
To: Matt Theinert; Michael Johnson
Cc: Matlock, James; Mike Madden; City Clerk's Office; Tacoma Business Council; Real, Chantra; Woodards, Victoria; Blocker, Keith; Hines, John; Campbell, Haley; dean@simmonsauto.com; fish; Rbrown@lifeforceservicesinc.com; Hines, John; City Manager; Griffith, Allyson; Heidi S.; Ushka, Catherine; Goodwin, Claire; info@2ravensstudio.com; dustin; Mike Givens; Sophia McKee; John F. Pugh; Joelle Siebert; Grace Yarber; armormark3@sbcglobal.net; Dennis Nyland; allison b; Maureen Fife; Adam Gehrke; ed; Eskenazi, Zachary; T and T Tire Point S Auto Service Ed Tuck III; jjones@kro7.com; Justin Williams; David@q13fox.com; qhdeputy@me.com; Chrissy Mady; Chris Hamilton; matt@drcveneering.com; Rock, Brittany; william.g.rupert@usps.gov; Karen Rich (krich0093@gmail.com); BRIAN ARNOLD INS AGENCY-Brian; Faaluaina Pritchard; BRISTOW'S AUTO REPAIR-Pete; Josh Harris; Habitat For Humanity; Jessica Hoefle; Collision Specialists; Bucky's; nick gilchrist; Chris Hamilton; Ubie Staggs; SOUTH TACOMA AUTO/Mo; Warren Wissmer
Subject: GUN ACTIVITY- South Adams Street

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City Council,

When will you open your jail and start arresting people?

Last night one of my employees, my son, was walking to his car after work and 2 guys pulled up to him in a car and aimed a shotgun at him after calling him a few names. He ended up running away successfully back into our yard without harm.

This is the third employee of mine that has had a gun pulled on them this month, on the street, in front of my business.

This goes away if the criminals that are walking our streets are in jail and they learn that Tacoma is again Hard on Crime. Criminals don't like Jail and Criminals will go elsewhere.

I PLEA TO YOU

Open the Jail

I now get to make sure all of my employees are escorted to their cars with an armed person. Which will be me.

If this was your kid, would you start putting criminals in jail?

Zachary at Sound Transit- Can you please send this to all of your Sound Transit people? This is 2 blocks from your 56th Station. If I were you, I'd put up a very large sign stating that this is happening

Sincerely,



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I'm in Matt! Fuck that worthless piece of shit! She has done nothing for the businesses that she increases taxes on. We deal with crime daily and they get pay raises. FUCK OFF Tacoma officials who do nothing for us. You know who you are.

Pete Bristow

On Thu, Dec 29, 2022 at 11:00 AM Matt Theinert <m.theinert@deltatooling.com> wrote:

Let's get a group of frustrated people together and go to Mayor Shit-oria's house and protest obnoxiously on her personal property? I can bring a flatbed truck with LOUD-speakers on the back!! Hasn't there been enough bullshit? This has gone on long enough!!

Matt

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This will all fall on deaf ears, City Council is too busy lowering speed limits to keep us safe. Thanks for nothing.

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(And then of course the two lead Progressives in Olympia propose legislation to punish lawful gun owners while doing absolutely nothing to deter the criminals from having and using illegally acquired and stolen guns, but that's a conversation for another day)

I'm very sorry your son and other employees had to experience that level of trauma, Mark. It is absolutely unacceptable. Not in part due to it being so easily preventable.

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Subject: RE: GUN ACTIVITY- South Adams Street

I'm uncertain if the neighbors can open this video clip from our camera's but this is the car. A small black sedan with a busted out rear drivers side window with a multicolor plastic in it.

Sincerely,



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From: Mark Andrews

Sent: Thursday, December 29, 2022 8:19 AM

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Subject: GUN ACTIVITY- South Adams Street

City Council,

When will you open your jail and start arresting people?

Last night one of my employees, my son, was walking to his car after work and 2 guys pulled up to him in a car and aimed a shotgun at him after calling him a few names. He ended up running away successfully back into our yard without harm.

This is the third employee of mine that has had a gun pulled on them this month, on the street, in front of my business.

This goes away if the criminals that are walking our streets are in jail and they learn that Tacoma is again Hard on Crime. Criminals don't like Jail and Criminals will go elsewhere.

I PLEA TO YOU

Open the Jail

I now get to make sure all of my employees are escorted to their cars with an armed person. Which will be me.

If this was your kid, would you start putting criminals in jail?

Zachary at Sound Transit- Can you please send this to all of your Sound Transit people? This is 2 blocks from your 56th Station. If I were you, I'd put up a very large sign stating that this is happening

Sincerely,



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Subject: Tacoma City Encampments End of 2022
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A third body (overdose) this month was removed from the Fife street encampment.

While enforcement of the junker/nuisance vehicle ordinance (8.23) removal made some immediate physical appearance improvements to many encampments, little to nothing has been gained from a safety or health standpoint for the campers or the community at large. It appears the program has either been suspended or abandoned. New encampments continue to sprout up all over the city.

Law Enforcement and City Leadership have numerous tools to mitigate encampments as well as a wide variety of crimes and misdemeanors, through the enforcement of existing public safety municipal codes. These agencies have made the choice not to do.

The bottom line is the City of Tacoma is less safe or healthy place to live, visit, work or operate a business than at any time this century.

Nothing Changes If Nothing Changes.

Bill Rupert
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Sent: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 9:43 PM
To: Planning; City Clerk's Office
Cc: Bushnell, Joe; Woodards, Victoria; Ushka, Catherine; Diaz, Olgy; Walker, Kristina; Hines, John; Blocker, Keith; Rumbaugh, Sarah; Daniels, Kiara; Pauli, Elizabeth
Subject: Home In Tacoma Project Phase 2
Attachments: Ask MRSC Transit: April 2022

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PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU READ ALL OF THIS EMAIL – IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO KNOW.

To the Planning Commission and Planning Department, and City Clerk, (please make sure the commission members get this too).

I am a proponent of housing for all. But this proposal is outrageous. Why? Because you are trying very hard to make a case for housing without garages or parking spaces off-street in areas where transit is available. My point to you is that this would not be the case if our mayor and councilmembers who sit on the transit board are required to vote for whatever Transit needs – if they have been appointed to their Boards.

I am attaching a newsletter that I received from the MRSC in April that told electeds who got appointed to Transit Board this exact thing. As someone who was a Planning Commissioner when the Sound Transit had it's maiden trip from Tacoma to Seattle and later, when I worked in Seattle, took that train or bus to work for 16 years. I can tell you this. People need cars.

Time and Time again, our train could not go through the track for one reason or another. A tree fell across the track and they pulled us back to the last station and buses were called to come and get us. Three to three and a half hours later the buses came, almost the same time the train track got cleared. The train to Everett constantly gets cancelled because they have landslides. NOTE: rails can get damaged in an earthquake – thereby stranding passengers.

The reason I am going into detail with this is because we have a Pacific Rim that is and has been on fire for a long time. That means that there is volcanic action below. We have 5 large volcanoes in Washington State and some really close to Tacoma.. We need to have parking to give citizens the ability to escape any danger of volcanic activity – and it is coming. Mt. St. Helens surprised some of the scientists watching it because it had started to boil again.

Remember the St. Helens eruption. Those folks who had vehicles were able to get out of harms way. So now picture this. We have earthquakes rumbling because one of our volcanoes or two are starting to erupt. Do you really think that a bus driver who hears that he needs to go back to get folks – while at the same time his family has no car to drive them out of harms way and he or she has the car that can save them? You answer that question.

But here is a kicker for you. In late 1968 early 1969 a man using an IBM computer in New York predicted that in future, people would be working from home. This is very evident in Silicon Valley where many businesses closed during the pandemic and saved a lot of money. I retired from Public Health-Seattle & King County and learned that they closed down two large office buildings and staff are working from home. The building I worked in is now 1/3 King County government. Dow is in my old boss' office on the 13th floor. Many of my colleagues are still working from home and go in once a week or not at all.

Seattle also closed down a large office building. One of my long-time friends who works for Seattle has been working from home since the pandemic and will continue to do so. Tacoma itself have many staff working from home. That is the way of the world. As result – transit is having issues with lack of riders.

We need to be careful not to over build apartments that will only suck the money out of our young families and single folks. We need housing that will **build wealth** for them to continue to grow and prosper. Rents are not the thing. These apartments being built are being built cheaply.

Tacoma is allowing them to build garages in some townhomes. But the garages have 8' wide garage doors – when they need to have 10' wide garage doors. DO THIS NOW – MAKE THEM DO THE 10' wide garage doors. Folks are parking on the street and using their worthless garages as storage because they cannot get their cars in the garage.

As a former Planning Commissioner – served from early 90s to January 2000. Our Commission Liaison from the Planning Department was wonderful. When an incident occurred that made me raise concerns, this liaison told us **that “just because the Planning Department presents something to the commission – IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT IT HAS TO BE THAT WAY – THE COMMISSION CAN MAKE CHANGES AND RECOMMENDATIONS BEFORE THEY FORWARD TO THE COUNCIL.**

Check out this article about our Planning Dept. Maybe it is you who can do good for our City?

<https://tacomaweekly.com/tacoma-planning-department-has-no-legal-obligation-p4451-197.htm>

It is the Planning Commission who has the authority to make these changes in the documentation you get from planners. THINK ABOUT THIS.

I also urge each of you to do what I used to do and to some degree still do. Go out to the areas that you have in Tacoma with this “so called Affordable Housing.” See what impact you have made to that community. Also, consider going late afternoon, when folks are home and parked on the street. PUT YOURSELF IN THEIR PLACE. THEN MAKE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS. My favorite words to my fellow commissioners was “Walk In the shoes of those you will impact, before you make recommendations you cannot take back.” You should not just get materials and read them. GO OUT AND CHECK THINGS OUT YOURSELF BEFORE YOU MAKE A RECOMMENDATION. TALK TO PEOPLE.

The other thing I wanted to say is that these apartments you call Affordable or that Developers promise to put 2 or 3 units of affordable housing in their buildings to earn the tax break you are offering. These are not affordable. You want affordable? Work with The Tacoma Housing Authority that knows how to create affordable housing. We need low, low income housing for those folks who are earning low incomes. They have the knowledge and skill to do good work.

Tacoma Has a lot of Buildable Land. Check out the Pierce County Buildable Lands Report. Also, take a moment to check out what is driving all the development in Proctor. NOTE: The Puget Sound Regional Council – ALL ABOUT TRANSPORTATION. The Sound Transit and Pierce Transit – ALL TRANSIT.

You ARE ALL BEING MANIPULATED BY TRANSIT to increase ridership. Don't get me wrong. I like transit folks and all. But I also like having my house and car safe.

DON'T DESTROY THE GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD LAND THAT COULD BE AVAILABLE TO REZONE FOR NICE TOWNHOMES. By nice, I mean Townhomes with defensible space. As someone who has worked with major housing developers of subdivisions, townhomes, condos, midrise and Highrise condos, I can tell you that one major lesson we learned – when I worked for the largest Homeowner and Property Owner Association Management Company in Houston during the Oil Boom – when we had 2,000 families moving into Houston - that if you build a townhome – MAKE DEVELOPERS PUT A THICK CONCRETE WALL BETWEEN TOWNHOMES.

You maybe asking WHY? Because the thick concrete wall from the foundation and past the top of the Townhome not only gives it a better chance to survive a fire, but in many areas, the townhome owners can get Homeowner's Insurance (much cheaper) than Townhome Insurance – which is more expensive.

USE YOUR TIME ON THE COMMISSION to make good decisions – not those that will benefit developers for Real Estate Investment firms. Wealth Building townhomes. Condos, too, but they require good construction.

Scrap this HIT, do your best for the citizens of Tacoma. Also note. If you have not noticed. The Impact fee for these developers does not include police. .

Also, when I was a Planning Commissioner, we had to be sensitive to NOT BLOCKING SUNLIGHT FROM adjoining properties. There are people who suffer emotional or mental issues when it looks gloomy and their sun is blocked. THIS IS WHY tall buildings next to single family homes is NOT GOOD FOR PEOPLE.

STOP GIVING AWAY TACOMA TO REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS FOR A MEASLEY FEW UNITS. Our infrastructure cannot handle this. They are NOT PAYING FOR ANY OF IT – WE TAX PAYERS ARE. STOP THIS INSANITY.

Regards,
Esther Day

From: Ask MRSC – Transit [it@mrsc.org]
To: Esther Day
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Subject: Ask MRSC Transit: April 2022

April 2022

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Have a question?

Officials and staff from eligible transit agencies can use our free one-on-one inquiry service, Ask MRSC.

[Ask MRSC](#)

Are face coverings still required on transit?

The Federal Transit Administration had extended its requirement for face coverings on public

transportation conveyances and hubs through May 3, 2022. However, a federal judge in Florida issued a nationwide order voiding the requirement on April 18, 2022. That order is being appealed. Local agencies still have the authority to require face coverings. Many regional transit agencies have publicly announced that they are no longer requiring masks. But, check with your agency counsel on the most current requirements.

Is there an RCW or federal clause limiting the use of retainage bonds for a construction project when using Federal Funds?

The agency does not reserve retainage on public improvement contracts funded in whole or in part by federal transportation funds ([RCW 60.28.011\(1\)\(b\)](#)). Claims that would normally be paid for out of retainage under [RCW 39.08.010](#); or under [Titles 50, 51, and 82 RCW](#) are to be paid out of the contract's performance and payment bond. See [Federal Acquisition Regulation Section 28.102](#) for more details about the federal bond requirement and remember that the contract bond must stay in effect until all state requirements have been released.

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This question came to MRSC because the transit board was being asked to reduce its tax levy to make room for the use of those funds to build a much-needed mental health facility. This would have the immediate effect of reducing transit operations but would provide a benefit to the community at large.

There is no legally correct answer, but there are a few things to consider. Board members have those positions solely because of their respective city or county position. It is reasonable to assume that each board member will consider the effect of their board vote on their "home" jurisdiction. On the other hand, board members do have a fiduciary responsibility to act in the transit agency's best interests. As an elected official with responsibility for your "home" jurisdiction's budget you already balance competing interests, and this is just another place where you get to exercise your judgment.

As for seeking guidance from your colleagues, there is no statutory requirement that you do so. You were appointed to the transit board and with that appointment comes the authority to make decisions independently. Remember that the council or board can always take a formal position on the proposal regardless of how you vote on the transit board. But you may find it helpful to seek your colleagues' opinions and there is certainly no statute that prohibits you from doing so (of course, you'll remember to comply with the OPMA). As always, check with your agency attorney if you have questions about a specific action.

Did the Legislature amend the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) in the last session?

Yes, it did. MRSC's Flannery Collins outlines the changes in a [recent blog post](#). As she writes "The most notable change (which is really more of a clarification) is that meetings subject to the OPMA must have a physical location (with a few allowed exceptions). Another significant change is the requirement for public comment at regular meetings where final action is taken." Meeting agendas for regular meetings must be posted online unless the agency:

- Has an aggregate valuation of the property subject to taxation by the district, city, or town of less than \$400,000,000;
- Has a population of under 3,000; and
- Provides confirmation to the state auditor that the cost of posting notices on its website or a shared website would exceed one-tenth of 1% of the local government's budget.

And if you go into executive session, you must include the purpose of the executive session in your meeting notes.

Some of our staff members are attending an industry conference. Can they accept a prize awarded by random drawing?

Probably. [RCW 42.23.070\(2\)](#) prohibits accepting gifts "for a matter connected with or related to the officer's services." The purpose of [RCW 42.23.070\(2\)](#) is to prevent the purchase of influence or special treatment. In most circumstances, that concern likely has no relevance to a random drawing. Also, while state law does not provide an exception for gifts of little or no value, many agencies have adopted

"*de minimis*" rules. The logic behind these rules is the assumption that something of low value is presumed to not influence the decision-maker. Also, if all attendees included in the random drawing are automatically entered then there's a good argument that it's not a "gift" because the right to participate is included in the registration cost for the conference. Check with your agency's attorney and review the agency's policies to see if this is addressed. If not, look at [MRSC's ethics page](#) for examples. You may want to allow staff to participate in a random drawing unless they are directly involved in a contract or other solicitation with the company providing the prize.

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Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2023 6:54 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Drug deals, trespassing and carl prowls

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To Whom it may concern

I am writing to you once again about the campers, tents and garbage along South 80th between Tacoma Mall Blvd and Pine street. I work at Summit Veterinary Referral and we have had suspect persons try to follow staff to their cars. The garbage is piling up near the retention pond and just yesterday I interrupted a drug deal in our parking lot! I know the security guard we have at night has had to call the police because he has seen weapons on people cruising into the parking lot and up and down the street. Please help keep this area safe and clean and have the garbage removed from the street and the blatant daytime car prowls and drug deals stop!

Thank You for your time in this matter.

Monica

From: Angela Dillon <angela.morningstar.dillon@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2023 8:58 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Written Comment Attached
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Please accept the attached comments regarding the City of Tacoma's Committees, Boards, and Commissions.

Thank you,
Angela Dillon

January 5th, 2023

Tacoma City Council
747 Market Street
Tacoma, WA 98402

Honorable Council,

My name is Angela Dillon. I am a Puyallup Tribal member and I live in the City of Puyallup. As you know, many of the City's Committees, Boards, and Commissions, particularly the Planning Commission, require volunteers to be residents within the City of Tacoma. I am requesting that you exempt Puyallup Tribal members from the residence requirement and open volunteer opportunities to all of the City's Committees, Boards, and Commissions to Puyallup Tribal members regardless of their physical address.

Districts 2, 3, and 4 overlap parts of the Puyallup Tribe Reservation and the entire City of Tacoma is within our Usual and Accustom area. In the City's Guiding Principles, your Equity statement addresses the desire to "understand and reflect the community we serve." Tribal voices on tribal lands is one way to promote collaborative and inclusive approaches to community issues.

Puyallup Tribal members are uniquely affected by the City of Tacoma's plans, goals, policies, and development regulations. The codes, guidelines, and attitudes that shape the built environment are intrinsically linked to the natural environment. In fact, the City's Core Values group the natural and built environment and they are identified as a single entry in the list. Puyallup Tribal members, whether or not they live within the human made boundaries of the city or reservation are connected to this land and its natural resources. For better or worse, cultural and economic practices such as tribal treaty fishing are directly impacted by the City's activities. Puyallup Tribal members are disproportionately affected by development byproducts such as poor air quality and lack of access to traditional foods and medicine. The negative impacts to our physical, spiritual, and mental well-being have generational effects and environmental and policy issues often transcend city boundary lines.

Puyallup Tribal members are not only uniquely affected by the City's actions, we are uniquely qualified to address the way policy and the environment intersect. Even in early contact with settlers, our ancestors understood the importance of reserving the right to fish and hunt within the Medicine Creek Treaty. That history is an important lesson that influences each new generation, who in turn become more adept at understanding the connections between the natural and built environments and who walk in the two worlds of our traditional tribal culture and the non-Native land and people that surround us.

The City of Tacoma is at the heart of tribal lands. The residents of the City and Puyallup Tribal members should have all the opportunities available to work together to enhance each other's lives and experiences for the benefit of all.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to follow up with any questions or concerns.
Thank you for consideration of this matter.

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From: Barbi Leifert <barbi6253@comcast.net>
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Subject: Vote yes to decriminalize

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PLEASE RECRIMINALIZE DRUG POSSESSION

We have had ENOUGH of this crime in tacoma

Your no vote is a prevents to safe communities

And our success!!!!!!

1. Please sign the Prosecutor's letter and make this your top priority by directing Tacoma's lobbyist to work with the legislature to make drug possession a felony again.
2. We must listen to our elected County Prosecutor on this issue. Her experience fighting crime every day makes her the most the most qualified to address this issue.
3. In fact, both the Prosecutor and Tacoma's City Attorney have stated that the legislatures changes to the law in 2021 have made prosecution of drug possession impossible as a practical matter.

4. As a direct result, drug dealing and drug intoxication are rampant. Overdoses are at shocking and tragic all time high. And property crimes have skyrocketed because users steal to support their habits.
5. Treatment is vital to restoring individuals to a healthier state, but treatment and prosecution can go hand in hand. In fact, treatment is often part of the criminal justice system.
6. Pierce County is a leader in successful therapeutic courts including the Felony Drug Court, Veterans Treatment Court, and the drug Addiction Reduction Team. Those programs work and offer treatment, but by decriminalization, the Legislature had reduced the opportunities to obtain treatment and have reduced the intent to stay in treatment.
7. We must reverse this dangerous course immediately to get treatment for those in need and to address the skyrocketing crime rate.

Barbi podemski

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From: Mark Bergman <markbergman@windermere.com>
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To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: City Council / Recriminalize Drug Possession

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City Council Members,

I plead with the Council to take an honest and objective look at the property & violent crime our communities are experiencing. We all can see and feel it! We need "common sense" policies to tackle drug and crime issues. This requires reinstating policies that prosecute drug possession as a felony. We need to give the tools to law enforcement and Prosecutor's to protect our communities.

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Thank you for taking this into consideration,

Mark Bergman

From: Lavonne Northcutt <lavonne@american-underwriters.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2023 3:46 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Mayor Woodards - please show us that you are a woman of action!

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Good afternoon and Happy New Year,

I hesitate even writing this email because it will take me a little bit of time to communicate my thoughts thoroughly, and the Mayor of Tacoma's consistent messaging to business owners in Tacoma is that she doesn't care. She really isn't present in a way that we can see her and know that she is trying her very best, demands excellence of herself, and values the businesses in this city. I feel very little hope for Tacoma until a new leader is elected. But, on the off chance that I am completely wrong, I would like to address the obvious drug problem in Tacoma that has resulted in property damage throughout the city, a feeling that our community is unsafe (armed robbery at the Star Center just last week), and complete filth throughout the area. I am no longer proud of the city I conduct business in.

Specifically, last April (2022) we witnessed on video cameras the destruction of two of our four heat pumps resulting in an insurance claim of just shy of \$17,000. Six weeks later, we again witnessed vandalism to our remaining two heat pumps (with intent to come back and destroy for metal salvage) at the cost of \$3000 to repair. We additionally spent another \$20,000 to add cages around our heat pumps and new fencing (also vandalized) across the back of our property. These costs were paid directly out of our family budget because we did not want to turn in a second claim and risk losing our insurance coverage altogether. The motivation in these crimes was to sell (successfully the first time) metal for pennies to support drug use.

In addition, we have on multiple occasions asked drugged out individuals to leave our property at the risk of our own safety. This has been done during daylight hours and also in the middle of the night. I am fearful every time my husband witnesses people on our property in the middle of the night (via video cam) and has to leave the safety of our home to address it, knowing that there will likely be no police support for him. Thankfully, he is skilled at de-escalation, but it is a situation he should not have to be in.

Just last week, I walked past a guy doing meth outside the doors of Starbucks, in broad daylight at a place where families gather.... Tacoma, we can do better!!

I drive by these drug camps (let's start calling them what they really are) and can't believe that these individuals are allowed to camp on public land and then 'add on' to their tents – since any one of our tax paying citizens would be required to get a permit to make changes to our buildings. But these individuals live without rules, without consequences and our city leadership continues to defend and support this. What about the garbage? Again, if we leave garbage behind our buildings (or someone else drops it there) we receive threatening notifications to remove it or pay fines. This is happening to business owners and property owners all over the City of Tacoma and no one in leadership seems to care. When and why did the rights of drug addicts become greater than your tax payers???

We can feel the tension rising. Businesses throughout Tacoma are locking their doors during daylight hours. More and more business and city property owners are packing. We are fearful that one day, in the not too distant future, this is not going to end well. When city leadership avoids conflict, they are creating more conflict.

PLEASE start with recriminalizing drug possession. This is a good starting point. The mayors of sixteen Pierce County cities signed Mary Robnett's November 29, 2022 letter to Representative Bronoske which outlines the need to restore drug possession as a crime. I'm baffled that Mayor Woodards chose not to include our city in this first important step. Please make it right – join in now and actively pursue changes in our city that will make businesses want to conduct business here, that will encourage employees to look to Tacoma as a great and safe place to work, and that will encourage new families to live here.

Thank you for your time.

Kindest Wishes,
Lavonne Northcutt, owner
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Tacoma, WA 98409
253-473-1415

From: chrisvkimball <chrisvkimball@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 5, 2023 5:42 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Drugs

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To Whom it May Concern,

I understand there will be a meeting on January 24th to discuss the problem of illegal drugs in the city of Tacoma and around the state. Please consider my voice as one who would ask you to recriminalize drug possession and usage.

The problems we are having around my office and other places in the Pacific Northwest concerning drug addicted individuals terrorizing our business community and neighborhoods is unconscionable.

We need to build more facilities to house people who are afflicted with drug problems. I don't mind paying taxes if it's going towards something that will actually help the problem.

Decriminalizing drug possession and usage does not help the problem.

Thanks for listening!

Sincerely,

Christopher Kimball

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S9+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

From: Monica Busch <mbusch@summitvets.com>
Sent: Friday, January 6, 2023 6:40 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: S. 80th between Tacoma Mall Blvd and Pine Street

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To Whom it may concern,

The drug dealers are so bold. They deal on our property and act as if this is totally acceptable and normal. The overnight security guard sees drug traffic all night long and I personally see it during the day. How do we get them to move away? This is our place of business not theirs.

Monica

From: Keith Schuster <keithschuster1@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, January 6, 2023 8:55 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Please act - protect Tacoma - enact tougher laws on public drug use like Marysville, WA

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According to KomoNews, Marysville enacted a new law to address complaints of public drug use, see: [Marysville enacts new law to address complaints of public drug use | KOMO \(komonews.com\)](https://www.komonews.com/news/marysville-enacts-new-law-to-address-complaints-of-public-drug-use)

They, along with the Pierce County Prosecutor, are urgently seeking changes to our state law in order to protect our children, elderly, and citizens from the crime wave we are experiencing due to rampant drug use.

According to KomoNews, the Marysville ordinance will “prohibit the use of controlled substances in public without a prescription and further prohibit inappropriate behavior aboard transit or at park-and-ride lots or bus stops. People who violate the laws could be arrested for a misdemeanor.”

While acknowledging current laws, the ordinance provides law enforcement the ability to... “ enforce existing state law through the municipal court instead of filing a case through the Snohomish County court system...”

To sum up this issue, “...The community wants to feel safe and go about their day free from the dangers of those using illegal narcotics...”

The problem with current law is that...”officers must now refer people to treatment at least twice for possessing drugs before arresting them. However, there is no statewide database to track those referrals and law enforcement officials say it’s difficult to know if people actually go treatment when they are referred.”

At a minimum please sign the Pierce County Prosecutor’s letter and make this your top priority by directing the City of Tacoma’s representative to work with the legislature to make drug possession a crime again.

We must address the skyrocketing crime rate and protect our citizens and taxpayers – especially those most vulnerable in our community.

Please act now!

Thank you.

From: Daisha Gomillion <daishangomillion@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 6, 2023 8:59 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: PLEASE RECRIMINALIZE DRUG POSSESSION

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Dear Tacoma City Council,

January 6, 2023

My name is Daisha Gomillion and I live in South East Tacoma, right smack dab in the middle of South and East Tacoma. With Hosmer, Pacific Ave, and McKinley being within walking distance of each other, my neighborhood and surrounding businesses have been a hotbed for drug dealing, drug intoxication, and overdoses. Property crime in my neighborhood has skyrocketed with the most recent being armed robberies at ATMS located on 72nd and Pacific Ave.

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Kind regards,

Daisha N. Gomillion, MBA

From: Jim & MJ Lockemy <MLockemy@nventure.com>
Sent: Saturday, January 7, 2023 11:47 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Make Tacoma Safe

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It has come to our attention that Tacoma mayor Victoria Woodards and the Tacoma city council have not signed Prosecutor Mary Robnett's November 29 letter advising the state legislature to recriminalize hard drugs.

Please rethink your positions and support her plea. We have a "drug homeless tent camp" in our neighborhood nearby gulch. Ignoring this lifestyle is not in any manner helping those who are addicted to drugs. Overdoses and poverty do not aid anybody. It just endangers everyone because of crime increase. Allowing prosecution of those who possess drugs may indeed save their life by allowing them to receive treatment.

Pierce County now has the dubious title of having the highest crime in Washington. Yet we have successful therapeutic courts including the Felony Drug Court, Veterans Treatment Court, and the drug Addiction Reduction Team.

Please help us. Urge the legislature to recriminalize hard drugs, to prosecute offenders and get treatment for those in need.

MJ and James Lockemy
1002 No Park Drive
Tacoma WA 98403

From: Rita Butler <ritasiris3@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 1:44 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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I am ill and unable to attend but I really want to see and feel the effects of drug related theft and distruction ongoing with no punishment for perpetrators. It is wrong. Rita Butler

From: Linda Hiser <lindajhiser@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 4:21 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Comments re: should illegal drug use be a felony again?

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I do agree that law officers should be able to return to pursuits as needed. But, illegal drug use criminalization is a more complicated issue.

I doubt the Wa state legislature will reverse their decision and make illegal drug use a felony. It is a misdemeanor with the purpose of keeping people out of jail with hopes they will return to work to support their families. However, monies allocated for drug treatment has to be better managed, and laser focused on what treatment approaches actually work.

If you are truly interested in understanding addiction, and solving illegal drug crimes, please read "Chasing the Scream". It has helped Portugal eliminate their drug problems.

Thank you.
Mrs. Hiser

Sent from my iPhone

From: Barbara Lee <bvlee11@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 4:45 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Recriminalize Drug Possession

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December 11, 2022, my husband and I were driving to Bellevue from Gig Harbor to attend a family dinner. Unfortunately our car flashed a low air tire warning as we drove past the Tacoma Dome on i5. Our Apple and Google maps directed to a gas station in sight of the Tacoma Dome. 2:30 in the afternoon.

As we drove into the station, we saw someone shooting up drugs by the side of the building. Another person was passed out by the building. Miraculously, a security guard was passing by. When we waved him down to ask where the closest "safe" service station was, all he said was "Don't get out of your car at this station. It is very dangerous here!"

We limped to two other gas stations in the vicinity which also looked unsafe. My husband is in his 80's. I am going to be 80 in a few months. We were horrified and afraid of what we saw in that part of Tacoma.

Drug possession decriminalization is not working. We feel very unsafe just driving through Tacoma now. Some of our doctors are located in Tacoma. Should we risk our lives trying to save our lives?

Prosecute addicts to go into mandatory treatment. Dealers and illegal drug manufacturers should go to jail and perform community service. Make it possible for the police to do their jobs to protect innocent and law abiding citizens.

Barbara Lee
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4340 Borgen Blvd #1304
Gig Harbor, WA 98332

From: Lynae Kibiger <lkibiger@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 4:52 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Do not recriminalize drug possession

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I have concerns over rising crime, I've experienced it in my neighborhood in Puyallup. However, criminalizing drug possession is not the answer for people who need detox, housing, and therapy. Our society creates a need for an escape from abuse and poverty, that is the core of addiction. A criminal record also prevents them from entering back into society. Criminalizing also prevents people from seeking medical help during an overdose.

I would like to see access to housing and voluntary and required addiction programs.

From: Karen <ivankaren@aol.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 6:41 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Change our state law on drugs in order to address crime.

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As I live in unincorporated Graham we are basically governed by choices made in Tacoma. With current laws we have been victimized with property, physical and harassment against the lawless drug fueled individuals that walk our neighborhood ,grocery stores, retail stores,gas stations and every other place me, as a law abiding citizen would visit to spend our hard earned paycheck. The drug encampments are set up next to Grahams shopping center and Kapowsin HS/Frontier JR high with trash and drug addicted individuals growing daily.

As a mom and grandmother I hold our state and county responsible for the current drug addiction's and deaths as you have enabled and legalized drug use. If you continue to allow this lawlessness I foresee mothers and fathers suing cities and state for allowing our families to die with all the ways you have set it up for them to stay addicted and commit crimes. Change your current way of dealing with drugs as it's not working and as they say(continue to do something that is not working is insanity) and my family is exhausted from living in a country with so much insanity. Please help us change the laws!

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sherman Brown <sdb1147@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 8, 2023 10:04 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Drug Fueled Crime in Tacoma

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I respectfully submit my input into this dilemma. I am a retired LEO and a retired Security Manager.

As time goes by, leniency becomes more prevalent in dealing with drug users and criminals. Being complacent is not dealing with the subject matter. Appeasement, capitulation and lessening rules & laws only exasperate the situation. Criminals know everything is in their favor.

It's far past time when coddling and kowtowing to drug users and criminals needs to end. Citizens live in fear daily, our businesses are robbed or burgled continuously yet criminals are put into what's been referred to as a turnstile justice system. They're back on the street before reports are even filed.

Politicians are feckless as are our courts, judges and Attorney General. There no longer exists any representation for the average, hard working, law abiding citizen. Most all legislation is aimed at hobbling our law enforcement personnel, but it's the criminal who should be hobbled and subdued.

Until such time as politicians, legislators and city leaders take steps to really deal with the issues, crime and drug use will rise exponentially.

Respectfully,
Sherman Brown

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: Shannisha Henderson <shannishah1990@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 8:21 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Read a column about the drug and crime spike in Wa

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I just wanted to add in that if you guys can start having more clinics open at earlier times and more mental/drug health employees (that truly care about the well being of the less fortunate that have drug problems . It'll be possible of more change to come . Sadly alot of the ones who need help . They dont have transportation or too sick to get the hell they need so they have to feed the fix by adding crime to the list of ways to stay high . (Stealing cars , theft robbery to make money and hurting others to maintain that high) I been an addict and have been in crime and I've changed so much since I got clean but it's really not as easy as people want to believe . Mental health plays a huge part in the drug process . There's huge LACK on that in itself . So no matter how much folks get clean .. there's not enough mental health providers to keep them on track .

Shannisha Henderson

From: Shawn Cross <shawn.cross82@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 10:28 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Drugs reclassification

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From: Angela Jossy <angela.jossy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 11:01 AM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Criminalizing drug possession

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A new organization called Tacoma Business Council wants to make drug possession illegal in WA State. Their original goal was to remove the blight of homeless people which is why this new tactic is hitting me differently.

On the one hand, I want addicts to get the help they need to get clean and have the lives they deserve as fellow human beings. It does bother me that they can use drugs in public with no repercussions ... but when it comes to marijuana, I would rather they smoke it outside because when people live in apartment communities, the smoke travels to people who don't appreciate it. I think marijuana should be allowed any place that cigarette smoking is.

I guess I would be OK with making drug possession illegal if it pertains to illegal drugs (not marijuana) AND if they are given medical treatment for addiction and mental health issues at the same time. From what I understand, detox facilities are in short supply and state funded rehabs are as well. If we change the law without the proper support, you're just victimizing the helpless and that feels gross.

~Angela Jossy
Duchess of Downtown

PH#253.314.9418

From: LORI C RUNDLE <lori_rundle@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 1:49 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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To whom it may concern,

I'm writing regarding the attached letter below. I am mystified as to why Tacoma's mayor Woodards has not signed this letter. Surely she must know her city is in a death spiral?

I do community service in the form of litter pickup and the things I see are ridiculous. The amount of foil with burned substances, needles and trash that I pick up are unimaginable.....or used to be. The vehicles that I have reported that turned out to be stolen or abandoned that are now bio-hazards because meth, etc. was smoked in them are too many to count. Also, calling in inoperable, abandoned cars seems to be an exercise in futility as they are now pretty much ignored. I suppose no tow company wants to pick up a vehicle that clearly no one will pay to reclaim and that is now dangerous to own but what is the answer? Leave them on the street to rot? That is not what I pay property taxes to look at.

Pretty much anytime I go into a store, I can see someone walking out with a cart of goods that they clearly haven't paid for while the employees/law enforcement watch. It is maddening. And forget about police trying to chase someone in a car that has just stolen something.....that is nonexistent. The result is the honest people who pay for their goods now get the reward of paying much higher prices.....on EVERYTHING.

The other night, there was evidence of another intersection takeover.....another thing police evidently can't touch. If I were to do a u-turn in an intersection, you can bet I would be fined but these thugs are allowed to shut one down for a couple of hours, potentially damaging property along the way and there are no consequences. On that note, I also wonder why I bother to buy license tabs each year as it seems a good part of the cars on the road are driving around with no plates, much less valid tabs.....??!

Please be strong and take aggressive action to turn this city that now looks like a garbage dump around. Start with signing the letter, please.

Sincerely,
Lori Rundle

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From: Vicki Souza <VickiSouza@nwcascade.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 4:39 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: PLEASE RECRIMINALIZE DRUG POSSESSION

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It is unclear to me why Tacoma opted not sign the prosecutor's letter. I have lived in downtown Tacoma for twelve years. Only in the last few years have I been afraid to walk around at night or leave my car parked on the street. Please sign the Prosecutor's letter and make this your top priority by directing Tacoma's lobbyist to work with the legislature to make drug possession a felony again.

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Vicki Souza
505 Broadway Tacoma, Wa 98402

From: Ashley <tatimsma@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 10:08 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: null

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I am a lifetime resident of tacoma WA. I have never seen my state in such havoc as it is today. I am writing begging for the criminalization of drugs. The answer to the war on drugs is not giving up and emabling. Our children are being desensitized to junkies smoking pills on our sidewalks. Robbing our houses and cars while we sleep or at work to provide for our families. Children are getting their hands on drugs and dying more now than ever. 2 years Olds in the park, teenagers on the sidewalks. We need to stand together in supporting our community. Speak up and against drugs. Encourage rehab and mental health. Not free narkan and theft until they choose to get help. The rest of us are suffering while junkies are living their best lives. Crime has skyrocketed while small businesses are closing left and right. I as a hardworking and sober citizen do not feel valued nor protected anymore. Only homeless junkies are. We have to make those uncomfortable so they don't get complacent in their lifestyles - force them to change. Force society to do better and encourage better. PLEASE CRIMINZALIZE DRUGS AND PROTECT HARDWORKING CITIZENS AND OUR CHILDREN AGAIN while we still can make a difference.

Thank you,

Ashley Walls

From: Kim Bardwil <bardwil33@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, January 9, 2023 10:26 PM
To: City Clerk's Office
Subject: Recriminalization of Drugs
Attachments: The_Prosecutors_Letter_on_Needed_Legislative_Fixes_for_Policing.pdf

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Dear Council Members,

I want to know why our mayor's signature is missing from Prosecutor Robnett's letter addressing the issues we are seeing in our community with drugs. There are fifteen other mayors in Pierce County who see there are devastating consequences with the decision and actually care to do something about it. Drugs and drug related crimes are rampant in Tacoma. Why hasn't she added her signature?

Sincerely,
Kim Bardwil



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November 29, 2022

The Honorable Dan Bronoske
419 John L. O'Brien Bldg
PO Box 40600
Olympia WA 98504

Dear Representative Bronoske,

There is a growing sense of lawlessness in our communities. Rates of both property crime and violent crime are up significantly, and our residents and police officers tell us about the brazen criminal behavior they observe. We believe recent, unwise legislative changes have contributed significantly to these problems.

Allow Law Enforcement Pursuits

Much has been written about the problems created by HB 1310, which eliminated a half-century of jurisprudence related to law enforcement contacts based on "reasonable suspicion." That issue was mostly corrected last year, but the continuing prohibition on most police pursuits created by HB 1054 (codified as RCW 10.116.060) remains problematic. The legislation has emboldened criminals, who obviously know that they no longer have to comply when police are trying to conduct traffic stops related to criminal investigations. This is causing more crimes to go unsolved and allowing more criminals to escape any consequences for the harms they cause. We urge the Legislature to repeal this prohibition and empower law enforcement to investigate crime, stop cars, detain suspects, and hold criminals accountable.

Restore Drug Possession as a Crime

An issue not as well publicized is the silent legalization of drug possession by the Legislature.

After the State Supreme Court invalidated Washington's drug possession crimes in *State v. Blake*, the Legislature clearly needed to act. The 2021 Legislature responded by appropriately amending the drug crimes to add a "knowing" element to the statutes (e.g., "It is unlawful for any person to knowingly possess a controlled substance..."). This intent element was the only change necessitated by the *Blake* decision and should have been the only change made by the Legislature.

However, the 2021 Legislature made additional changes to Washington's drug possession laws, effectively decriminalizing the possession of harmful, destructive drugs. The Legislature reduced drug possession from a felony to a misdemeanor. In theory, this would have shifted some prosecution responsibility from the counties to the cities and shifted confinement costs

from the State to city and county jails. But prosecution of drug possession, even as a misdemeanor, is not viable because the Legislature has prohibited law enforcement officers from booking a suspect in jail or referring a drug possession case for prosecution (*see* RCW 10.31.115). Instead, law enforcement can only refer the person to social services. A person must be referred at least twice before booking and prosecution are an option, and there is no statewide system for tracking these referrals.

As a result, prosecution of drug possession is, as a practical matter, not possible. Because prosecution is no longer a threat, possessing illegal drugs now carries no criminal charge, no jail time, no fines, and no penalty at all. Essentially, the Legislature has quietly decriminalized drug possession, a significant policy change that was neither necessitated by the *Blake* decision nor desired by the people of Washington.

Additionally, the Legislature has scheduled to end the one change that the *Blake* decision necessitated – to require possession of drugs be *knowing* in order to be a crime. As of July 1, 2023, the changes to the statutes will expire and the drug possession laws will revert to the version that the Supreme Court found unconstitutional. The two versions of the law can be compared in RCW 69.50.4013. Because the Court has already ruled that possession without the intent element is unconstitutional, criminal prosecution will be impossible once the drug possession statutes revert to their unconstitutional form in 2023. If the Legislature fails to fix this statute during the 2023 session, it will have fully decriminalized drug possession in Washington.

In the cities and unincorporated areas in your district, we see the repercussions. Drug dealing and drug intoxication are rampant. The dangerous and harmful behavior that accompanies drug use is on display. And property crimes have skyrocketed. The Legislature has prohibited our law enforcement agencies from arresting suspects for drug possession and made prosecution of drug crimes impossible. Decriminalization has led to increased property crimes because users steal to support their habits. There is no doubt that the changes made by the 2021 Legislature have impacted our residents and communities negatively.

The legislative changes have also impacted drug users negatively. Street drugs such as methamphetamines, heroin, and other opioids are “controlled” substances for good reason. They damage a person’s mental and physical health and are extremely addictive. It is the destructive nature of these substances that warranted originally classifying their possession as a felony. Allowing the unregulated use of these drugs is a public health issue *and* a public safety issue.

The Legislature is correct that treatment is vital to restoring individuals and communities to a healthier state. We strongly support treatment for substance abuse. But treatment and criminal prosecution are not mutually exclusive. In fact, we often hear breezy assertions along the lines of, “Of course, coerced treatment is ineffective.” This simply isn’t true, as evidenced by the many success stories that come out of therapeutic court programs. Treatment is available, and frequently required, as part of the criminal justice system. Treatment is available to those who are in custody and out of custody, both pre-trial and post-conviction, through county-provided

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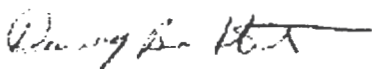
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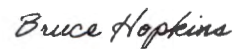
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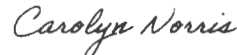
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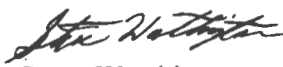
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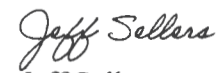
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From: ali arroyo <ali21892@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2023 11:19 AM
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Subject: Written public comment on re criminalizing drug possession

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This is my written comment in regards to RE criminalizing drug possession.

I didn't know much about drugs growing up until I was 20 and the start of a long toxic relationship. This was after leaving home at 17, and again at 18 to get away from another situation with an alcoholic family member..

What started as disappearing, and little hints of changes that were swift moments in between the hustle and bustle of being a mom- turned into a spouse with chronic pancreatitis, and selling his prescription medicine. The little things that were "odd" turned into full blown mania.

Then it turned into daily domestic abuse my children have witnessed, and battling in family court.

The incidents' when my sons father has tried to commit suicide (due to withdrawal) there were no officers available, or nothing could be done if he lied and said he was ok by the time they got there. He has been pulled over many times intoxicated, with no legal consequence. He has lost a few cars from accidents because of using. Just a few days before writing this, my ex has confessed of using all of his salary on drugs and sent himself to the ER at St. Joseph's in Tacoma "because he didn't know what was real anymore". I am in no position to help. He was given mood stabilizers and discharged. Most people naturally assume everyone has families that understand and are equipped with the tools to handle addiction and mental health. He has never been diagnosed with a mental health condition...

This year, I lost a childhood friend to suicide..because she lost her husband from an overdose and lack of medical care for his bipolar disorder.

My son's aunt passed away in the Seattle streets as an active addict, due to lack of medical care for her diabetes. My son's uncle, her sibling, is in and out of jail for robbery because of his active addiction. We have not met him.

I do recognize this is an illness and that treatment is necessary. I do know that if there is enough pain or desire, it will make someone change. That comes with the consequences of their actions.

After the break down of my life, I started working in property management- which came with its own very similar issues with the laws making it nearly impossible for landlords to keep their tenants safe. We have reached out to Tacoma Police and the Swat team to hold tenants, selling, using and/or cooking drugs in our units accountable. Police and SWAT showed up, told them to stop. That's as far as it went. We have been stalked, harassed, and our building window targeted since then. We used to work with MDC until one of our site managers was attacked by a tenant that was asked to leave due to their disruptive behavior and illegal parking (because they were using and selling.)

When asking a family friend who is a Tacoma Police officer what resources are they supposed to present to someone who is on drugs, selling drugs, or in possession- he said "I don't know yet". This was back in August 2022.

It is not safe to assume that every addict is not functioning- or that it does not happen at the work place or take place in our own unions that built our city. What has been harder than dealing with a loved one going through this? Everyone else not acknowledging it, and having to live around it. This is the new normal. It is safe to assume how fast a whole family can be homeless just because of one person. It is safe to assume that our system supports this painful cycle. No, I don't think just re criminalizing drug possession is the only answer...

I was told at a young age, that if you were in a position of hurting or someone was hurting someone you loved or themselves, you could do something about it.

This is not true in Pierce county WA.

-Allison Arroyo (Lakewood, WA)

From: Lisa <lisacarol@gmail.com>
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City of Tacoma Council,

I've been watching crime increase and my personal concerns for safety grew rapidly when a drug addict was found shot dead in a stolen jeep a handful of houses away from my residence. I have children. Why are my children forced to see crime and needle-drug-use just by being in the car, in route to daily places, on public Pierce County roads? Why are we forced to witness constant theft when shopping at stores such as, but not limited to, Target, Fred Meyer and Safeway? Is this examples of living in a safe community? No. We have seen an increase of home burglaries in our neighborhood, patched up broken car windows on the daily when out and about, growing gang graffiti everywhere and massive homeless camps with people staggering around in the streets. I occasionally fear the day my children drive. Will their car get stolen, will they too have staggering people zigzagging in the streets? Will they see drug deals and be in the line of danger should said deal go wrong?

Please support to fix what the House and Senate majority has been breaking in our communities. Look to see who signed House Bill 1054 and House Bill 1310 which went into effect on Sunday, July 25, 2021. Please hold these Representatives and Senators accountable by seeking reform to the dangerously unsafe House Bills.

I urge all council members and mayor's in all cities within Pierce County to sign the Pierce County Prosecutor's recent letter (see attached) and make this a top priority by directing Tacoma's lobbyist to work with the legislature to make drug possession a felony again. Please listen to experience crime fighting and highly qualified elected County Prosecutor on this issue.

I've witnessed an alarming increase of publically visible drug dealing, drug intoxication, property crimes, and overdoses. Heavy drug addicts commonly steal to support their habits.

It is urgent that drug possession be recriminalized for public safety and humankind's wellbeing. Treatment and prosecution can go hand in hand. In fact, treatment is often part of the criminal justice system. Pierce County is a leader in successful therapeutic courts including the Felony Drug Court, Veterans Treatment Court, and the drug Addiction Reduction Team. These programs worked well and offered treatment, but by decriminalization, the Legislature had reduced the opportunities to obtain treatment and have reduced the intent to stay in treatment. Please reverse the dangerous course of crime our communities are facing and recriminalize drugs and crime.

Thank you,
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Dear Representative Bronoske,

There is a growing sense of lawlessness in our communities. Rates of both property crime and violent crime are up significantly, and our residents and police officers tell us about the brazen criminal behavior they observe. We believe recent, unwise legislative changes have contributed significantly to these problems.

Allow Law Enforcement Pursuits

Much has been written about the problems created by HB 1310, which eliminated a half-century of jurisprudence related to law enforcement contacts based on "reasonable suspicion." That issue was mostly corrected last year, but the continuing prohibition on most police pursuits created by HB 1054 (codified as RCW 10.116.060) remains problematic. The legislation has emboldened criminals, who obviously know that they no longer have to comply when police are trying to conduct traffic stops related to criminal investigations. This is causing more crimes to go unsolved and allowing more criminals to escape any consequences for the harms they cause. We urge the Legislature to repeal this prohibition and empower law enforcement to investigate crime, stop cars, detain suspects, and hold criminals accountable.

Restore Drug Possession as a Crime

An issue not as well publicized is the silent legalization of drug possession by the Legislature.

After the State Supreme Court invalidated Washington's drug possession crimes in *State v. Blake*, the Legislature clearly needed to act. The 2021 Legislature responded by appropriately amending the drug crimes to add a "knowing" element to the statutes (e.g., "It is unlawful for any person to knowingly possess a controlled substance..."). This intent element was the only change necessitated by the *Blake* decision and should have been the only change made by the Legislature.

However, the 2021 Legislature made additional changes to Washington's drug possession laws, effectively decriminalizing the possession of harmful, destructive drugs. The Legislature reduced drug possession from a felony to a misdemeanor. In theory, this would have shifted some prosecution responsibility from the counties to the cities and shifted confinement costs

from the State to city and county jails. But prosecution of drug possession, even as a misdemeanor, is not viable because the Legislature has prohibited law enforcement officers from booking a suspect in jail or referring a drug possession case for prosecution (*see* RCW 10.31.115). Instead, law enforcement can only refer the person to social services. A person must be referred at least twice before booking and prosecution are an option, and there is no statewide system for tracking these referrals.

As a result, prosecution of drug possession is, as a practical matter, not possible. Because prosecution is no longer a threat, possessing illegal drugs now carries no criminal charge, no jail time, no fines, and no penalty at all. Essentially, the Legislature has quietly decriminalized drug possession, a significant policy change that was neither necessitated by the *Blake* decision nor desired by the people of Washington.

Additionally, the Legislature has scheduled to end the one change that the *Blake* decision necessitated – to require possession of drugs be *knowing* in order to be a crime. As of July 1, 2023, the changes to the statutes will expire and the drug possession laws will revert to the version that the Supreme Court found unconstitutional. The two versions of the law can be compared in RCW 69.50.4013. Because the Court has already ruled that possession without the intent element is unconstitutional, criminal prosecution will be impossible once the drug possession statutes revert to their unconstitutional form in 2023. If the Legislature fails to fix this statute during the 2023 session, it will have fully decriminalized drug possession in Washington.

In the cities and unincorporated areas in your district, we see the repercussions. Drug dealing and drug intoxication are rampant. The dangerous and harmful behavior that accompanies drug use is on display. And property crimes have skyrocketed. The Legislature has prohibited our law enforcement agencies from arresting suspects for drug possession and made prosecution of drug crimes impossible. Decriminalization has led to increased property crimes because users steal to support their habits. There is no doubt that the changes made by the 2021 Legislature have impacted our residents and communities negatively.

The legislative changes have also impacted drug users negatively. Street drugs such as methamphetamines, heroin, and other opioids are “controlled” substances for good reason. They damage a person’s mental and physical health and are extremely addictive. It is the destructive nature of these substances that warranted originally classifying their possession as a felony. Allowing the unregulated use of these drugs is a public health issue *and* a public safety issue.

The Legislature is correct that treatment is vital to restoring individuals and communities to a healthier state. We strongly support treatment for substance abuse. But treatment and criminal prosecution are not mutually exclusive. In fact, we often hear breezy assertions along the lines of, “Of course, coerced treatment is ineffective.” This simply isn’t true, as evidenced by the many success stories that come out of therapeutic court programs. Treatment is available, and frequently required, as part of the criminal justice system. Treatment is available to those who are in custody and out of custody, both pre-trial and post-conviction, through county-provided

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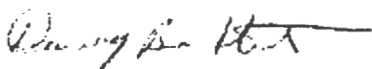
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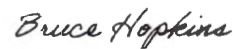
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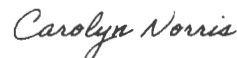
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