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**Sent:** Friday, October 15, 2021 5:01 PM  
**To:** Woodards, Victoria; Thoms, Robert; Blocker, Keith; Ushka, Catherine; Beale, Chris; Hunter, Lillian; McCarthy, Conor; Hines, John; Walker, Kristina; Watson, Carlos; Larkin, Karen; Flint, Bryan; mpatterson@vjglaw.com; City Clerk's Office; mike.ake@cityoftacoma.org; ed.troyer@cityoftacoma.org  
**Cc:** Lisa Berenson  
**Subject:** THIS IS HAPPENING NOW- Crimes being Committed by Homeless Camp against Homeowners, Landlords, Renters, and Neighborhood

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Thank you in advance for your time, energy, and action regarding the contents of this email.

I am a Property Manager responsible for a small multi-family rental property on S. I Street in Tacoma near Neighbor's Park.

Also, I worked with Neighbors, Homeowners, Renters, Property Managers & Property Owners, and the City of Tacoma Residential Parking Program.

*I am reaching out because the homeless camp in this area has become too visible to ignore; more aggressive behavior, physically and mentally dangerous during a time of COVID, filth & litter accumulation, and committing crimes against Homeowners, Property Owners, and Renters.*

When working on the RPZ for the past year or two, I was speaking with neighbors via email, text, phone calls, and door-to-door. Every person I spoke with was very concerned about this homeless camp. Neighbors said, they noticed items missing from their decks and porches.

The Homeless Camp has invaded the sidewalk and the adjacent yard of a property; "barricaded" the entrance to the fence of the property.

The City of Tacoma and the Tacoma Police Department *MUST* Disassemble, Clean-up, and Relocate this Homeless Camp ASAP.

*As I stated, they are creating an unsafe environment to those in this area. They have been and continue to commit crimes at an increasing rate.*

*The homeless continue to break into cars, trespass through and hangout on people's property and at their homes.*

Homeowners, property owners, and renters are starting to feel unsettled, frustrated, and not safe.

This week, we received Notice from one of our tenants; they are vacating due to their car being broken into by a homeless person and not feeling safe at the park.

This situation *MUST* be addressed or Homeowners and Renters will start leaving this neighborhood And with COVID etc, Owners, Landlords, Property Managers, and Renters can *NOT* continue to suffer from hardship, losses, and crimes against them by the homeless camp.

I hope to see the Homeless Camp removed and the Physical Presents of the Tacoma Police

Department back out on neighborhood streets.

Thank you in Advance for your time and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Lisa Berenson, LEED AP  
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**From:** Joann Varnell <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 15, 2021 6:50 PM  
**To:** City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Protect The Tacoma Tideflats, By Stopping Fossil Fuel Expansions

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**From:** Lorie Lucky <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**From:** Meagan Galacgac <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**To:** City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Please Protect The Tacoma Tideflats

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Dear Mayor Woodards and Tacoma City Council,

I am a constituent living in Northeast and am concerned about the fossil fuel industry in Tacoma. There are many others like me who would like to see the fossil fuel expansions stop in Tacoma.

I am in support of those in the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, members of the council, The Planning Commission, and other regular Tacoma residents like me who do not think fossil fuels, even cleaner ones, is the best way to tackle climate change. Instead, I want to push for more renewable fuels and incentivized clean industries in our city. It is time for us to move along the direction of other cities to a greener economy.

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**From:** Chris Wooten <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**To:** City Clerk's Office  
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**From:** Linda Hood <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**From:** Julie and Jay TURNER . . . . <juliejayturner@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, October 18, 2021 2:59 PM

**To:** City Clerk's Office

**Subject:** Letter to City Council members

**Attachments:** Letter to city council re zoning.pages.pdf

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Please send the attached letter to all council members. Thank you so much!

Julie Turner

October 18, 2021

Dear Council Members,

I am aware that you all have a lot of calls on your time, but I feel compelled to alert you to a problem that the Planning Department has created, and they don't realize the problems it can cause.

They have created a zoning plan which is ambitious and far-reaching, but they have included both City-protected Historic Districts in it, too. This is strange, because by virtue of the Landmarks Commission's creation of the guidelines for city historic districts, there is no *demolition of structures that are contributing to the historic district*.

So, how can one be expected to build a 4-story apartment building in an old neighborhood cheek-to-jowl with historic houses, unless we mow the whole row down? This would demolish homes of some of Tacoma's earliest and most interesting home owners! We know what this would be like because we already have **three** large apartment buildings on North K St; they take up almost a whole block.

In fact, the "brown lines" on the maps Planning gives out would eliminate almost half of our historic district, (NSHD) if somehow the builder got permission to demolish homes here. It could lose us the homes of two of the Rhodes Brothers - of Rhodes Department Stores, in case you haven't heard of them, and a former mayor of Tacoma, Judge Linck in the early 20th Century, as well as the first female attorney in town.

In other words, it covers North I Street, from Division to North Steele, and from North I St. southward to the north side of North J Street - all the way from Division to Steele, almost a mile.

Please ask Planning, and probably also the Planning Commission: what is the purpose of zoning a couple of miles of 5 streets within the largest City-sponsored historic district? If you can't tear down houses - and it would take more than one - to build a mid-level, four-story apartment building, then why include the neighborhood in the plan? Just because the bus lines run on those streets, I predict they will say.

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**From:** Elizabeth Mech <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**From:** Marse Lear <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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**From:** Victoria Banks <vfbanks94@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 19, 2021 7:39 PM

**To:** City Clerk's Office

**Subject:** Tideflats Protection

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Hello Clerk,

My name is Victoria and I am emailing you to urge the city of Tacoma to pass a true ban on fossil fuel expansion for the Tideflats, free of exemptions for facilities that are toxic and create pollution.

In addition to the climate and environmental repercussions of allowing fossil fuel expansion, the city needs to honor the desires of the Puyallup Tribe, whose sovereignty over the land needs to be respected. Their geographic proximity to the proposed expansion of fossil fuel development puts their community at greater risk, which would make the city complicit in ongoing environmental racism. Finally, the increased ship traffic will add to the impact on the Salish Sea and risk oil spills and toxic discharges.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Victoria

**From:** Elizabeth Pew <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>  
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-New and Expanded Cleaner Fuel Facilities Permitted: The definition of clean fuels should be linked to the EPA standard and credit-generating standards under the Washington Clean Fuel Standard, once established, rather than permanently allow certain fuel types even as they may become ineligible to generate credits under the CFS over time. Including fuels that are barely incrementally cleaner than the status quo won't advance Tacoma's clean energy goals and is inappropriate to be outright permitted under the updated code.

-Petroleum Fuel Facility Projects for Maintenance, Safety, Security, or Required to Meet Regulatory Changes: It should be made clear in the code that no fossil fuel capacity expansions are permitted under maintenance, safety, security, or regulatory needs.

National Security Petroleum Fuel Facilities: This motion is redundant with the Federal Defense Production Act. Council should clarify that any infrastructure built under the direction of this motion cannot be later converted for commercial uses.

-Projects which have undergone Environmental Review and Mitigated Impacts: The City has no legal obligation to allow PSE LNG to expand to the full capacity reviewed under SEPA. Allowing a significant expansion of the LNG facility completely undermines the intent of the regulations and further endangers our health, safety, and climate.

Please strengthen the Tideflats Regulations to end the loopholes, and allow us to kick off a decade of clean energy transformation.

Thank you,

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To: Mayor Woodards and Members of the Tacoma City Council:

I am unable to be present for the virtual community forum this evening, and so submit my comment in writing.

I live in the Hilltop area of Tacoma, next door to Nativity House shelter/ housing, with multiple tents and vehicle residences (cars and RVs) lining both sides of the street down our block. I am concerned that the winter is almost upon us, and that these unhoused neighbors face severe weather and lack of safe shelter that meets even basic human needs. I know there are efforts underway by the city, faith communities, and non-profit groups to secure more safe shelter spaces, and applaud these efforts.

However, I am troubled by a connection that the recently convened Tacoma Safe group seems to make between increased crime/violence in Tacoma, the need for greater police funding, and the call for a no-camping ban directed at persons living homeless on public property. I appreciate that Tacoma Safe encourages creating more safe shelter spaces for persons living homeless, but the safety remedy they promote (increased funding for police positions), does not include any ideas for how to make those safe shelter options available. It is also not clear why homelessness has been singled out as a focus in this effort to increase public safety. Most importantly, the association implied between the presence of people living homeless and an increase in violence can reinforce an unsupported claim: that people living on the street are more likely to be violent, when the reality is that they are more likely to be the victims of violence.

As a society, as a County, as a City, we must address the trauma and income inequality that leaves people without shelter, and develop long term accessible housing options with public support. In the meantime, as winter approaches, we should provide at least the minimum security that a managed tent campground or safe car camping site could offer. We cannot put the burden of public safety at the feet of our most vulnerable neighbors, who are without the resources even to lock a door against robbery or assault.

Thank you.

Rosemary Powers