

Good morning Commissioners and Mayor Wheeler

My name is Mark Reynolds

I live on S.E 81st and Malden St. which is one block south of Flavel directly across from the Department of Human Services and 4 blocks from the springwater corridor.

My statement to you is longer than the 3 minute allotment so this is a shorter version and hope you will please read the full draft.

My street is over run with campers, drug sales, drug use and property crime in addition to all manor of livability, health issues and biohazards.

Our group of property and business owners as well as city, state and law enforcement agencies have been working together to find solutions for this location. Such as outreach, DHS services, and a community resource fair that included over 25 local participants offering services.

Our proximity to the springwater corridor, the DHS office and restrictions on law enforcement have added to this problem.

I have witnessed all of this happening on my street in front of my home and grandchildren and it's truly awful. I have witnessed sales of drugs to middle school age children and the trafficking of young girls. I had a camper attempt to stab me with a screwdriver he was using to break into my car with. As well as daily drug transactions other crimes associated with this have been stolen vehicles, property theft, vandalism, solicitation, car prowling, graffiti and threats of bodily harm.

The impact on my life is I no longer feel safe on my own street. I am not comfortable with my grandchildren visiting me in my own home and when they do they are not allowed outside. The rule at Grandpas is DON'T OPEN THE DOOR!! I am losing sleep because of stress and livability is very poor.

We seek assistance with permanent signage, 1 additional street light, and the guidance of law enforcement to restrict camping as well as drug sales and use on our street. Safety is our first priority and hope you see fit to help us by assign one of your staff to work together with us on these issues.

I would also like to thank you for the Portland street response pilot program and the progress on the Bybee lake hope center formerly known as Wapto

Thank you for allowing me to speak here today. Please won't you take a look at the photos I have enclosed with my full submission And I look forward to having an advocate in the city council.

Sincerely Mark Reynolds
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Good morning commissioners, Mayor Wheeler, thank you for your time.

My name is Mark Reynolds. I'm a retired machinist and longtime resident of S.E. Portland, specifically 82nd and Malden St., which is 1 block south of Flavel. I and a group of my neighbors have been meeting for about 8 months to address safety and find solutions to the rapid rise in crime, drug use, sales and illegal camping. Other crimes associated with this have been stolen vehicles property, theft, vandalism, solicitation, car prowling, graffiti and threats of bodily harm.

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Our group is made up of myself 4 or 5 other residents of Malden St. as well as DHS office employees and their security team. This group has been working closely with or is part of the Office of community and civic life community safety program, DHS S.E. portland dist #2, the Clackamas service center {outreach coordinator}, the Homlessness/urban camping Impact reduction program, and the City of Portland east precinct neighborhood response team NRT.

Efforts to improve this situation have included fencing, lighting, cameras, barriers and better reporting of bad and illegal behavior through single point of contact and pdx reporter. As well as a first annual DHS and civic life hosted community resource fair that included more than 25 community resources. This is in addition to the resources already offered by the state through this DHS office.

The problem is with a core group of bad acting drug influence individuals and the drug dealers that prey on them because of their addictions. These people are camping, sleeping or unconscious in the street on the sidewalks and on private property and blocking public right of ways. In short they have taken over my street, conspicuous use of drugs aggressive behavior humane waste trash tents and other structures have become the norm and getting worse. Drug dealers sell openly and stolen property is displayed for sale as if it were a yard sale. The DHS office serves many families often with small children that are required to visit their office. To do so those that don't drive are forced to walk in the street or through a maze of biohazards and aggressive or unconscious people that is no doubt frightening to them. No child should be subject to this.

I no longer feel safe in my neighborhood and I'm uncomfortable having my grandkids visit me at my home. Some of my neighbors are afraid to report crimes or appear here before you because they fear retaliation. It is truly unbelievable how awful it has become especially after the clearing of the springwater corridor which is a short distance from Malden St. and my home.

The group has done what is possible on our own and now are asking for your help to bring Malden St. back to a safe livable place. I am asking for the name of someone on your staff to help me/us with

- 1) No parking - No camping signs [see map}
- 2) one additional street light on pole # A1059180 (research has shown to deter crime)

3) Give the east precinct and the neighborhood response team clear instruction for discretionary enforcement of camping loitering and drug use laws to move and keep clear Malden St. of the bad acting and criminal individuals. Especially those involved in drug and human trafficking.

I would like to thank you all for your roles and support in bringing about the Portland street response pilot program as explained by Matt McNally and the pilot project team. I believe it will be a great asset and look forward to it being implemented.

I am also very excited to hear the progress being made on the Bybee Lakes Hope Center formerly known as Wapato .Perhaps this could be the game changer we are looking for.

Realizing the issues I am bringing to your attention are not new. But in our case it has become overwhelming at times and dangerous. The individuals we seek relief from are chronic misbehaving long term campers that are so far not willing to make the changes necessary to improve/save their own lives and the predators that prey on anyone with an addiction or missguided youth.

My neighborhood has become a victim of this epidemic and we hope to find an advocate within the city council to help us reclaim and make our street safe..

Thank You Again For Your Time.

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FALL COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

**CONNECTING NEIGHBORS TO
COMMUNITY RESOURCES
NOVEMBER 20TH
1PM TO 5PM**

Coordinated by:

8129 SE MALDEN ST PORTLAND



*Vendors: please bring your own tent, tables, and chairs if you have them.
If not, please contact Kim at Kimberly.L.Haines@state.or.us or (971) 673-2747

Fall Community Resource Fair Vendors:

- SE WORKS
- DHS Self Sufficiency
- Sunshine Division (
- PORTLAND FIRE & RESCUE
- Boys & Girls Club
- Lents Livability Association
- OSU Food Extension
- East Portland Neighborhood Office
- Clackamas Service Center
- SE WORKS
- Job Corp
- SNAP Navigators
- PCC Recruitment Coordinator
- 211
- GoodWill Job Connection
- Southeast Tool Library
- OCCL Graffiti Program
- SE Uplift Neighborhood
- Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability
- Metro HomeShare | Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
- Multnomah County SNAP Outreach
- Store to Door
- Urban Forestry Tree Resources, Portland Parks & Recreation

11/13/2019

Hello neighbor, I was hoping to be able to talk to you in person about a community resource fair that will be happening next Wednesday the 20th from 12:00 to 5:00. This is an event me and Civic Life have organized with a goal to connect families to local community partners. Portland Bureau of Transportation will be closing SE Malden Street between 82nd and 80th between 12:00 and 5:00. Your driveways will not be blocked and there will be an eleven-foot emergency access lane. We appreciate your understanding and hope you can attend as there will be many community resources for everyone. Please feel free to contact me for questions or concerns.

Thank you, Kim

Kim Haines

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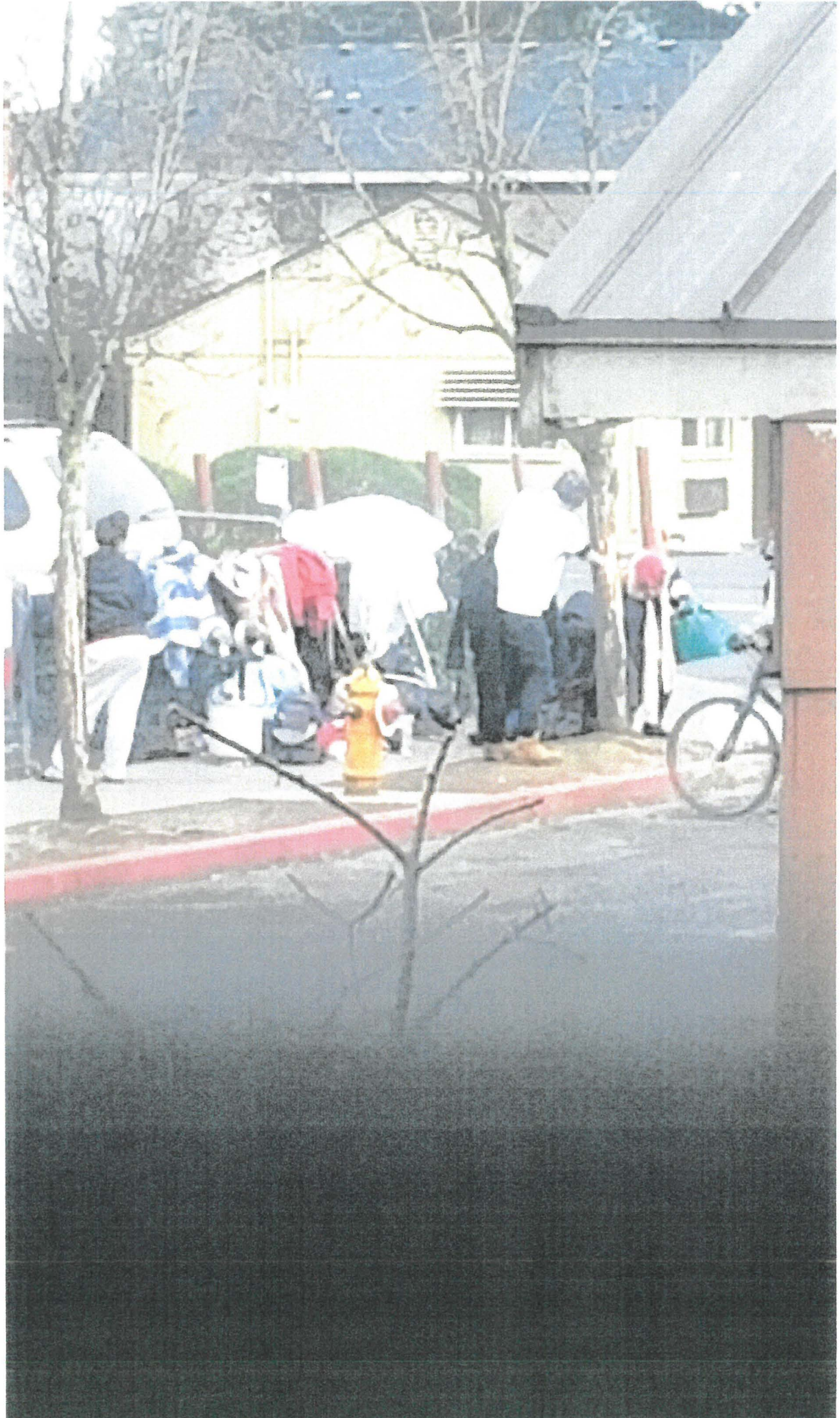
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NO CAMPING

City Code: 14A.50.020, 20.12.080

DOES THIS INCLUDE SLEEPING ?

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From: [Mark Reynolds](#)
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I am requesting opportunity to address city council on February 26 2020.
Topic Homeless camping, Drug sales and use, Prostitution on my street. And it's affect.

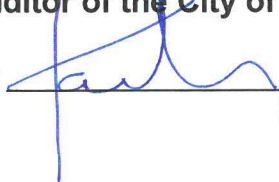
Thank you.
MARK REYNOLDS

Request of Mark Reynolds to address Council regarding homeless camping,
drug sales and use, prostitution (Communication)

FEB 26 2020

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MARY HULL CABALLERO
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3. Hardesty		
4. Eudaly		
Wheeler		