

Communication from Public

Name: Utamu Pease

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 03:16 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Utamu Nafasi Pease and I live at 405 Château Pl., Rampart Village as you guys like to call it. I'm submitting the statement because I fear that the political officials have dropped the ball in such a major way that it just calls a dire need for our community to be rescued from the political policies that have forced us into a position of living with unrelenting violent disruptive and dangerous criminals! There is a big difference in being a homeless person and using homelessness as a weapon against your community. Everyone who is living in a tent surrounding my address has been offered housing. There's one individual in particular that has terrorize this community for over a decade! He is so entrenched in his belief of ownership to public property that he yells and curses at anyone who parks at a meter adjacent to his tent! She has physically assaulted me twice and contends that it is right to do so! If you care about the law abiding taxpaying citizens of Rampart Park then you will immediately enforce the regulations that are now in place. My little community qualifies as we have children or rec center a Buddhist center and a school all within 200 yards of my apartment building. This isn't an attack on homeless people. If anything it's a war cry to their support! A genuine homeless person who wants to better themselves will take the cities help and move on from there dire situation of living in a camper on the street to actually transitioning into the program that will provide them stability. If they are homeless person who's refusing miss help they don't deserve to camp at our community any further! We don't deserve to bear the burden of grown adults who choose to be homeless even after help has been afforded to them. We're people too! We shouldn't have to walk out our door or walk into our office and have to deal with human feces meeting us at the door! We shouldn't have to deal with the smell of urine meeting us at the door where we work! I've seen homeless people start fires and I even witnessed girls for a homeless being prostituted on the block adjacent to my building! We have suffered enough we put up with the homeless crisis and now it's time for the city to do their job and support us by moving the homeless people out of our community so that we can begin to heal and make it a safe place for the children mother and women that come to this community for prayer exercise and community. If you guys don't do

something about this then you're basically saying fuck us! And if that's what you're saying then fuck you too! Fuck you fuck you fuck your political position and fuck any rhetoric that you have to say because at this point we deserve better! So fuck you if you don't give us better!

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 08:09 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: My personal opinion is that schools' surroundings should be kept free of any type of illegal activity due to homelessness.

Communication from Public

Name: Vine Street Elementary School

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 08:27 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Here at Vine Street Elementary, we fully support and applaud Councilmember O'Farrell's resolution to designate our school as a location for enforcement. It is about time. Our most pressing concern is the encampment between 905 Lillian Way and 952 Lillian Way (middle of the block on the west sidewalk), which has been there for over two years. The Lillian Way encampment is directly across the street from the Vine Street School entry/exit gate and morning valet program. Individuals there have received a great deal of outreach from LAHSA and have declined services. At this point, there are 4-5 tents and debris that take up the entire sidewalk, and our students do not feel safe walking to school. Individuals associated with the encampment defecate on the sidewalk on both sides of the street and defecate in bags and throw the bags over our fence and on our driveway ramps. They also urinate in bottles that are thrown on our campus. We have found fully unclothed individuals on our garage ramp. We have also found syringes, needles, and used condoms on our handicap ramp and on the sidewalk surrounding the school where our students and parents walk. Young students have had to face completely unclothed individuals, people passed out on the sidewalk, solicitation, and unsanitary sidewalks. It is a public health hazard and traumatic for our students. One parent reported being chased by an unhoused individual with a hammer when walking home with her 1st grade daughter. One unhoused individual punched one of our staff members at a bus stop outside our school, causing PTSD. Students and staff should not have to fear for their safety and health when coming to school. To allow the encampment to stay is absolutely unfair to Vine Street School students. Please support this resolution.

Communication from Public

Name: Tracy

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 08:42 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I oppose 41.18 it is inhumane to displace folks while winter is upon us without shelter when all current shelters are full. Group housing is not the answer. It limits belongings and doesn't take into account for people who identify as trans and their gender identity.

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 08:55 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: We need our children to be safe when they go to school where they can walk without any problems or feel unsafe and intimidated, a clean area and free from addicts or behavior problems, who can induce them to try drugs. We need them to be placed in a designated place for them away from schools. Thank you

Communication from Public

Name: Marie Santiago

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 09:15 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: We been asking the City to please clean up the homeless especially near the schools on the side walks and Park area. We live in the Macarthur Park area directly across from the Park my child has to leave with me at 7 am to catch two buses to get to Camino Nuevo School we be having to literally fight to get past the homeless that are all sitting on the side walk shooting up drugs and smoking drugs in front of our school children on 6 th and Alvarado Street we need help out here the homeless are bad and they had some pedophiles that were near our house one of them was registered sex offender and that was not appropriate to be around our children please help clean up the area from MacArthur Park all the way to echo Park we need to clean up thank you have a blessed day!!!

Communication from Public

Name: Judy Cho

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 09:32 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: I am a neighbor of Shatto Park and a member of the community that resides here. The conditions of this area have reached an uncanny new low and it is visibly clear that it has the immense ability to get even worse. To ignore the visible markers of the homeless here as well as the city, is to also ignore the impact it has made on this densely populated area. There are many people who rely on this location's proximity to public transit and need the usage of sidewalks to safely pass. Commuters are forced to walk in the middle of the street and despite the obvious danger of this, there is also a blind curve where many accidents happen on 4th St. between Shatto Pl and Westmoreland. There is not even room to walk closely to the sidewalk because there are huge amounts of trash or bicycle parts spilling out of the chop shops that are set up in the tents there. The homeless here are all young and roam the streets drugged and angry. I've witnessed them break out into large fights in the middle of the street. Sometimes 15 of them with golf clubs, metal pipes and other weapons. Many of us who live here have stayed quiet about the impacts of this on our daily lives because of fear of repercussions. We live here and these homeless people are very bold. They know exactly where to find us and so it has been easier to not say anything but this has been going on for years! The members of this community need your help! Many of us are renters and can not afford to absorb the cost of an unnecessary move. Please help us feel safe in our home and recognize that the homeless that are surround Shatto Park are creating long term damage for our neighborhood.

Communication from Public

Name: Sofia

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 09:41 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I stand with my neighbors and support 41.18 being enforced at Shatto Park. We are emotionally exhausted by the stress, violence, and crimes the encampments have brought to us as residents of this area. We all work hard to pay our rent and to take care of our families. I want to be able to let my children go to the park again. I want to be able to use the resources that the Shatto Recreation Center provided to us. I am a single mother and heavily rely on these resources to take care of my family. I know I am not alone. I used to love hearing children and neighbors playing at the park. Now all I hear is the screaming and yelling that come from the tents. All they do is seem to fight one another and sometimes threaten us if we catch them on a bad day. We can't even walk on the sidewalk's anymore because they are littered with trash. Please help. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Antonio

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 09:51 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: To the Honorable City Council, please enforce Municipal Code 41.18 for Shatto Park Recreation area. I am a resident and renter (like many others) of the surrounding area directly affected by these encampments. We know that this is a complex issue and want these encampments to be addressed humanely but as someone who has resided here for many years, I can no longer stand by and watch this area deteriorate for both the housed and unhoused alike. Advocates of these encampments are supporting the continuation of these conditions- homeless living within mounds of trash, vermin, fecal matter. To enforce 41.18 would mean to give relief to all of us. Please vote yes to 41.18

Communication from Public

Name: Valerie Namocatcat
Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 10:57 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: Homeless encounters where person is utilizing drugs or drugged up near school.

Communication from Public

Name: GR

Date Submitted: 11/01/2021 11:05 AM

Council File No: 21-4118-S1

Comments for Public Posting: Living near the homeless pop up tent encampments is unhealthy and dangerous. There has to be an immediate and sustained removal of these sites. Drug dealers actually bring their products to these encampments. How long before something catastrophic happens? These are not people who want help. They want no accountability so they can continue to wreak havoc on our neighborhood. What is the holdup in removing these people. Ticketing is no solution. Removal everyday if necessary. I have been homeless before. NEVER bought a tent , nor did I inconvenience others because I was struggling.