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Cc: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Mission Camps

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As the city is looking to allow for legal encampments with zoning changes, I'd like the common council and mayor to take into account that many of the nonprofits and government entities (as currently worded - mission camps, tiny homes villages and the like could only be run by nonprofits, government entities, and religious groups) are not trusted by the population these changes are trying to help. This is why many of the services are not being utilized. For example, if someone is treated poorly by Porchlight, Lutheran Social Services, Tellurian, Journey, etc. the potential client will not use the services and will spread this information to others so those monopoly organizations will not be trusted and the services will not be utilized. This is why these services fail. Reindahl has been run and organized by the people living there and they want their autonomy. Any legal encampment needs to have partner agencies and cooperatives which are overseen by the people living in the space, such as a homeless union. I urge you to change the language of these ordinances.

Thank you,

PEARL

From: Hollie Kemmer <havanhe@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, August 30, 2021 5:55 PM

To: Mayor <Mayor@cityofmadison.com>; All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>; Luke Kemmer <lucaskemm@hotmail.com>

Subject: 8/31 meeting - agenda items 66 & 67

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Hello.

I support agenda items 66 & 67 for tomorrow's Council meeting
Directing staff to enforce the ordinances at Reindahl Park
Establishing Housing People: Alternative Emergency Sheltering

We use Reindahl Park for our daughter's soccer practice and games through SC Wave (formerly FC Madison) soccer club. We started practices at the beginning of August and will go through the beginning of November. There has been several instances that are not appropriate for a public park where our club pays to lease the fields.

1. There is a camper in the parking lot right by the field where we play that has trash everywhere and its sewage bathroom drain running into the city storm water sewer.
2. We have seen multiple cars drive through the parking lot and perform what appears to be drug deals as we are watching our daughter practice.
3. We have two other children that we have to take with us and don't feel comfortable using the play ground due to the activity and violence that has occurred there in the last few months.
4. There are now tents on the actual soccer fields and we have seen human feces on the fields.
5. There are multiple cars that are abandoned with windows broken out and tires stacked on the ground.
6. Our soccer club can no longer have a porta potty onsite because they were completely trashed and broken into and now our club is responsible for the damages.
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The activities going on in the park are against the law and we need action from our city and county officials. We understand the need for the homeless to have somewhere to go but this doesn't seem like a great place for them either if violence and drug deals are happening. Other cities will be coming to this park for games to view what Madison looks like. We need to find another solution for homelessness.

The camper in the parking lot should be removed immediately. Tents on the soccer fields should be removed immediately.

Sincerely,
Hollie Kemmer

From: Dorothy <dborchardt1@charter.net>
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To: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>; Mayor <Mayor@cityofmadison.com>
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Subject: Agenda items #66 & #67

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Hello,

I'm contacting you in support of agenda item #66 regarding the illegal encampment at Reindahl Park. Allowing camping in the park should never have been allowed to go on this long. It is way past time to help solve the problem, our kids and families need their park back. Expect accountability, do not be enablers for unacceptable behavior.

Agenda item #67 is a step in the right direction, but could cause more problems than it solves. It is a band aid for a much larger problem, it may draw homeless, that will not, or cannot live in shelters, or tiny houses, to camp in Madison. Get the homeless the help they need to be welcomed members of our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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