

From: L A Kurth <|>

Date: March 20, 2019 at 9:17:08 PM PDT

To: WG backfence neighborhood < >

Subject: [WGBackfence] very sad that fears prevented Hope Village from relocating

I don't want to rile people up, but I feel I should have shared more information earlier because I think at least some of those who opposed moving Hope Village to that vacant concrete spot kind of near the Caltrain parking lot had fears that were unfounded.

No one, including me, wants another Jungle. This was never going to be that. All of these folks had been vetted by a Catholic community that worked with them; many were elderly. The village already had facilities for laundry, trash, safe cooking, and so forth. Plus it was very few people and the tents were not random ragged assortments, but looked kind of military and neat.

These were not the kind of people that were going to be loitering around stealing things and causing a ruckus. And it was so close to Sacred Heart Community Services too!

I know that some of the folks on this list really do care about homeless people, and it is possible that some opponents do also. If so, you could help the city and county find alternate sites. One temporary possibility is the OSH area.

At the very very least, you could contact city and county folks and Zoe Lofgren to ask them to get the FAA to extend the current lease at least 90 days. Here is an email that will go to all the councilors: cityclerk@sanjoseca.gov

and here is one for the county board: and here is Zoe Lofgren:


From: ELAINE NOLA < >

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 12:16 PM

To: City Clerk

Subject: Hope village

The recent vacancy of the OSH building would be a much better place for the Hope City people. It's bigger to hold more and they will be out of the elements of bad weather and the outside is cement. I'm not one that's wants homeless living near me because of what comes with them. If you can keep them contained and keep the vandalism to none then it should be ok. My thoughts.

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From: . <>

Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 12:41 PM

To: City Clerk

Subject: re: Hope Village

I urge you to extend the stay of Hope Village at least 90 days. Where will these people go- do you have any suggestions? Margaret Hardy

From: arnoldy carol < >
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 9:36 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Hope Village

Do extend their lease for 90 days. People are trying very hard to help solve the homeless problem and they need time to work it out.

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From: Don Skipwith < >
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 8:52 AM
To: City Clerk
Cc: ; Scott, Jeff; Sammie Evans
Subject: Hope Village - Tent City Urbanization

City of San Jose:

We are an affluent community & home of innovation. That said, I believe that we have the wherewithal to solve our homeless situation. One solution - tent city urbanization - is not getting enough government stimulus. Hope Village is in a dilemma and needs your help - find it an acceptable new location. You can do it, if you give it a high enough priority.

I'm a member of the Mission Committee of Stone Church of Willow Glen. We have hosted the Village House homeless women's overnight shelter the month of September and recently held a community forum on affordable housing at Stone. I believe that tent villages have a important place in serving our homeless community. Please help make this happen. If their is anything I can help with, please let me know. Thank you!

Best Regards,

Don ("Skip") Skipwith
Stone Church elder & mission committee member