From: Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 1:01 PM
To: Subject: Public comment for item 4.6 CC 9.24.19 Fw: Just one homeless lady terrorizing the neighborhood
Good afternoon,
Please see highlighted portion that a constituent has asked to be submitted as public comment on his behalf for the Homelessness Annual Report item. Thank you.
Best/Atentamente,
From: Hank Eickmeyer Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 11:42 AM
To:
Subject: Re: Just one homeless lady terrorizing the neighborhood

Thank you all for your responses. I'm incredibly frustrated given how long this has been going on and the lack of improvement I've seen. Tamien residents deserve to be made a priority.

Do you have any updates? Has your team made contact? Is there anything else you can do to improve the situation?

I understand based on the offenses we've reported you can only hold the individual for a relatively small amount of time and sometimes you cannot justify detaining her at all. I worded my previous question very carefully: "What more can SJPD do" within the confines of the law? I want you to get creative here. What if this was happening to you or your family? These incidents are happening in a relatively small portion of the city, why can't patrols be increased here? I assume every officer must file paperwork daily... why can't an officer be parked at the corner of Vine and Floyd doing

their daily paperwork while also observing the neighborhood? Why can't a surveillance camera be setup and monitored? Maybe none of these ideas work, but there has to be something more that can be done. What ideas do you have?

Ultimately, this individual is repeatedly breaking the law and disturbing the peace in our neighborhood. That is a police issue. I'm not asking you to detain anyone if the law doesn't allow, but these incidents need to stop. She is violating the law and is a danger to herself and others. Additional SJPD presence would help. How do we make this happen?

Also, as previously requested, I want to schedule a meeting with you to discuss the root cause. Please provide a day/time for us to meet or call me on my cell (below) at your convenience.

I anticipated the responses I received from Vanessa and Captain Randol, but I wanted their confirmation. They basically said they are doing all they can do, yet the residents of Tamien are not seeing improvement. The result is there is no way to improve the situation with the current city services available. This has been the case for multiple years now. **This is unacceptable.** 

I'm unable to attend city council meetings as I work full time. Here are my thoughts:

- 1) If San Jose City Council values the perspective of working residents, you need to regularly hold at least some city council meetings either early in the morning or late in the evening so working residents can attend.
- 2) There needs to be more services for your <u>residents</u> who are being affected by the mentally ill and homeless.
- 3) There needs to be a place for the homeless to exist. This place needs to off city streets, out of public areas / parks, etc. All laws need to be enforced in and around these places by SJPD.
- 4) SJPD needs to be given more support. They need to be able to dedicate resources to large crimes as well as the small crimes. Both affect your residents' quality of life.
- 5) San Jose residents need better access to homeless support. There needs to be extensive communication between this city service and the reporting residents. Homeless services need to consider not only the homeless, but also the San Jose residents.

You are my liaison to San Jose City Council. Please bring these up on my behalf at the next city council meeting.

Thank you,
Hank Eickmeyer