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From: Kurt Knecht <kurt.knecht@lacity.org>
Sent: Saturday, October 29, 2016 10:55 PM
To: Rose Park
Cc: Mona A.; Pedersen, Steven; gary.harris@lacity.org; Estela Lopez; Adel Hagekhalil; STEPHEN NICHOLS; Gary Harris; Edward Camarillo; Jose Garcia; anika.ostin@lacity.org; capri.maddox@lacity.org; Fred Faustino; Gonzalo Barriga; Jose P. Garcia; martin.schlageter@lacity.org; ROBERT ARCOS; HOWARD LESLIE; councilmember.huizar@lacity.org; dan.chavez@lacity.org; cigarpoor@aol.com; TODD CHAMBERLAIN; Gita O'Neill; KEITH BERTONNEAU
Subject: Re: Businesses under siege in Skid Row- 550 Crocker Street

Thank you Rose. These recent tent fires are a big concern to our office, and we've been in contact with LAFD regarding their investigations. As of yet, there have been no cases presented to the City Attorney's Office though any potential case would likely be referred to the District Attorney as a felony arson. I'm also aware that Estella Lopez is independently meeting with LAFD with regards this issue.

As the City works to implement the new LAMC 56.11 (storage of personal property on the sidewalk ordinance), I'd like to address the encroachment of encampments on the your property. LAMC 56.11 (8) (b) limits of the laying of string, wires, or rope to private property in such a manner as to create an obstruction across a sidewalk. I see from the photos that this may be an issue and would like to meet with you and LAPD to explore it.

Please email your general availability this coming week, and I'll set up a meeting.

Best regards,

Kurt

On Sat, Oct 29, 2016 at 9:25 AM, Rose Park <rose.park@lanystyle.com> wrote:
To whom it may concern:

As you all probably know, there was a fire on the backside of our building caused by one of the homeless. The homeless encamped in the front and back of our building poses as a major threat to our business already, but this fire shook us a bit. We are very concerned about what other worse situations would rise after this event. It's very difficult to ask our customers to drive to this area and with this event... it's much harder.

Can we have more regular cleaning sweep on our Crocker and Towne side of the street? The second gate on our Crocker side is completely blocked off.

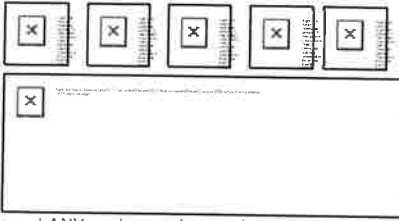
We feel it's unfair how we have to feel threatened and unsafe to stay at our property, which we pay all the payments and taxes for.

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Rose

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On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 9:04 AM, Rose Park <rose.park@lanystyle.com> wrote:

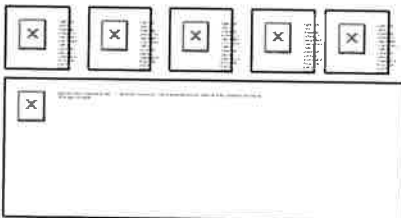
I agree with Mona. That was so short-lived as expected. Please keep our street in mind as the street is already super congested and trashed.

We are just hoping we can get some regulations going for the illegal food distribution that happens every morning at 5 breads. With this, we truly believe this block will clear up tremendously.

Thank you!

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On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 6:33 AM, Mona A. <youonlyrealtor@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Steve,

We sincerely appreciate all of the efforts set forth during each one of the cleaning operations conducted.

Unfortunately most all of the homeless people have returned back to the area as of this morning. I also witnessed a couple of them removing most all of the temporary No Parking Signs that were posted for the street cleaning operation.

Unfortunately a lot of resources do get wasted in a situation where we can only put a 24 hour bandaid on a very serious problem rather than eliminating it.

We are aware that the city is very limited in resolving the issues pertaining to the homelessness, but more than ever we all need to find other ways to strengthen our voices as a community so that we can make a difference at implementing change within the corrupt system that has been benefitting the homeless population, but affecting all of us negatively daily.

Respectfully,
Mona A
Downtown Commissary
213.220.8767

On Jul 20, 2016 12:45 PM, "Steven Pedersen" <steven.pedersen@lacity.org> wrote:

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> Hi Mona:
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> LASAN is working on revamping and expanding our operation healthy streets program. We expect the new OHS schedule to be implemented very soon.
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> On Wednesday July 27th we will conduct a comprehensive cleaning of the 500 block of Crocker.
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> On Wed, Jul 20, 2016 at 10:04 AM, Mona A. <youonlyrealtor@gmail.com> wrote:
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>> Please do your best to address this issue which has become a major nuisance along the walls and several gates of businesses on both the south and north side at Crocker St. between 5th and 6th. The issues pertaining to this matter CAN NOT ONLY be addressed once. In most all cases the people return back to the location within a 24 hour period, therefore it would be very helpful if your task force makes a point and has the area on watch for a period longer than 1 day. We are all dealing with multiple issues pertaining to the unbearable acts/activities of the homeless people surrounding us and we are overwhelmed with the number of issues that we have to tackle daily just to get in and our properties. Any help you can offer on the regular basis is greatly appreciated!
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>> Thanks!
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>> Respectfully,
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>> Mona. A, CEO
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>> Downtown Commissary
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>> On Wed, Jul 20, 2016 at 9:01 AM, Adel Hagekhalil <adel.hagekhalil@lacity.org> wrote:

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>>> Steve ... Please respond immediately.

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>>> Thanks

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>>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>> On Jul 20, 2016, at 8:56 AM, Rose Park <rose.park@lanystyle.com> wrote:

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>>>> Hello everyone,

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>>>> Can you swing by our street (550 Crocker) today or this week? They are starting to encroach into our gate area and are blocking the sidewalk again.

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>>>> Thank you!

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>>>> Rose

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>>>> On Thu, Jun 30, 2016 at 8:52 AM, Rose Park <rose.park@lanystyle.com> wrote:

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>>>>> Thank you so much for all your work yesterday. It really looks so much better at the moment!

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>>>> On Wed, Jun 29, 2016 at 5:16 PM, ROBERT ARCOS <robert.arcos@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

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>>>>> Howard

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>>>>> Tks for the response to assist all involved.

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>>>>> Bob

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>>>>> Robert N. Arcos, Deputy Chief

>>>>> Commanding Officer

>>>>> Operations-Central Bureau

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>>>>> Making a Difference

>>>>> Office: (213) 833-3735

>>>>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>>>> On Jun 29, 2016, at 3:57 PM, HOWARD LESLIE <howard.leslie@lapd.lacity.org> wrote:

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>>>>>> Afternoon,

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>>>>>>> After receiving this email yesterday, we began a conversation with our city partners at LA Sanitation on posting this as a 24 hour clean-up location. The location was posted today. However, with some great people skills used by all, the location was addressed today by both LA SAN and LAPD. There were some assets from LA SAN in Central today and we were able to help the individuals involved with their property.

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>>>>>>> We will keep the location on our radar for future activity.

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>>>>>>> Howard Leslie

>>>>>>> Commanding Officer

>>>>>> Central Area

>>>>>> LAPD

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>>>>>> >>> Raquel Beard <rbeard@centralcityeast.org> 6/29/2016 10:07 AM >>>

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>>>>>> City of LA,

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>>>>>> The property/business owners on this block have been crying out to you for help for quite a while now. Between the massive nuisance that 515 Crocker (5Bread 2 Fish) causes daily, and the massive amount of encampments using private property to hang their personal items- conditions are unbearable. Can you please participate and be proactive in a solution to help these business owners? The 500 block of Crocker is getting worse by the second. More and more and more people are showing up daily and encamping everywhere. I'm sure enforcing items off private property doesn't violate anything. If you hadn't noticed, Crocker between 4th and 7th Streets have become the new San Pedro Street. This is totally unfair.

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>>>>>> This area needs help, concern, and attention- the injunction doesn't prohibit that. Your assistance with this issue would be greatly appreciated. If you haven't taken a look lately, I urge you to do so. The entire area is a complete and utter out of control disgrace.

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>>>>>> Raquel K. Beard, Executive Director

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>>>>>> L.A. Downtown Industrial District BID

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>>>>>> Managed by Central City East Association (CCEA)

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>>>>>> From: Rose Park [<mailto:rose.park@lanystyle.com>]

>>>>>> Sent: Tuesday, June 28, 2016 3:24 PM
>>>>>> To: Mona A. <youronlyrealtor@gmail.com>
>>>>>> Cc: Jose Garcia <pepeg62@gmail.com>; gary.harris@lacity.org
<chief.investigator.la@gmail.com>; STEPHEN NICHOLS <33059@lapd.lacity.org>; Gary Harris
<gary.harris@lacity.org>; sara.hernandez@lacity.org; kurt.knecht@lacity.org;
howard.leslie@lapd.lacity.org; Raquel Beard <rbeard@centralcityeast.org>; Fred Faustino
<FFaustino@centralcityeast.org>; Jose P. Garcia <jose.garcia@lacity.org>
>>>>>> Subject: Re: 550 Crocker Street

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>>>>>> Hello

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>>>>>> Just giving an update of how bad things are getting on our block (550 Crocker St). These guys on
the street have blocked the entire sidewalk; no one can pass through. The entrance to our gate has been
constantly blocked making it impossible for us even access it. In addition, they are using our gates to hold
their tarps, tents, and now as a bike rack. Will the city be responsible if our gate falls over?

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>>>>>> On Sun, Jun 12, 2016 at 10:51 AM, Mona A. <youonlyrealtor@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>>>>> Please address the entire section on Crocker between 5th & 6th.

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>>>>>> Thank you!

>>>>>> Mona Alemzadeh

>>>>>> [213.220.8767](tel:213.220.8767)

>>>>>> 537-541 S Crocker

>>>>>> Downtown Commissary

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>>>>>> On Jun 11, 2016 3:47 PM, "Jose Garcia" <pepeg62@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>>>>> this location(s) will be addressed as soon as possible.

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>>>>>> On Sat, Jun 11, 2016 at 3:39 PM, gary.harris@lacity.org <chief.investigator.la@gmail.com> wrote:

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>>>>>>> Hello,

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>>>>>>> The encampment removal program is managed by the Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation. Mr. Garcia included in this response is the manager of the program.

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>>>>>>> Thanks

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>>>>>>> Gary

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>>>>>>> On Jun 11, 2016, at 9:05 AM, Rose Park <rose.park@lanystyle.com> wrote:

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>>>>>>>> The pictures attached are from this morning.

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>>>>>>>> This street is getting so congested to the point where our customers are not only scared to come to our warehouse, but it's getting super difficult for our employees to go in and out of our property.

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>>>>>>>>>> The people (seen in the picture) are now blocking our garage gates to our other parking structure. We cannot access our sidewalk. They have about 10 office chairs (not sure where they are getting these from) and have created a nice collection. The size of these tents are just getting so big. Who is providing these tents? Do they really need these tents of this size?

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>>>>>>>>>> There's a big tree where they go to do their business, and the smell is absolutely horrifying and unbearable.

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>>>>>>>>>> I don't even want to talk about our Towne side. There's just no way I can access our back door to Towne.

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>>>>>>>>>> We absolutely need your help, and I wonder where are our rights?

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- > Steve Pedersen
- > Chief Environmental Compliance Inspector II
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