**Whittier Heights CAC Agenda/Meeting Notes**

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| CAC Name: | Whittier Heights Village |
| Date: | **November 25, 2019** |
| Meeting Location:  | United Evangelical Free Church |
| Call to Order (time):  | 6:05pm |
| CAC Members in Attendance:  | Jean Darsie, John Lederer, Michelle Wicks, Suzanna Larson (prospective) |
| Permitted Encampment Members in Attendance:  |  |
| Operator Representatives in Attendance:  | Theresa Hohman, Renata Bryant |
| Community Members in Attendance:  |  |
| City of Seattle Staff in Attendance:  | Lisa Gustaveson, Ofc. Mike Cruzan |
| Recorder/ Note Taker:  | John Lederer |
| Previous Meeting Notes Approved:  | No |
| Previous Meeting Notes Posted:  | Will be soon when approved at <http://www.seattle.gov/homelessness/city-permitted-villages#whittierheightsvillage>  |

Meeting called to order at ~6:05p by Chair Michelle Wicks.

**October Meeting Minutes**

The October meeting minutes were not available and will be circulated and approved via email following the meeting.

**Village Management Report:**

Lisa Gustaveson announced that Fauntleroy UCC church will be sponsoring the Myers Way Tiny Home Village in West Seattle/Highland Park area under the religious organization sponsorship ordinance. This self-managed village will continue to be operated by LIHI. She also announced that the City has appropriated approximately $2 million for 1-2 new villages that will receive referrals from LEAP and the Navigation Team. Site/s TBD.

Michelle noted that 25% of the units being constructed in Northgate area will be deemed Workforce Housing.

Theresa reported that Marvin Stern from WorkSource North Seattle had recently visited and will be working with residents on resume preparation.

She also reported that donations are coming in for Christmas and that tiny homes have lights on them already. Other donations have arrived for Christmas. Also, there is a need for arts supplies. A resident donated $65 for holiday celebration expenses.

Theresa stated that the village has identified a strategy to create consequences (short of eviction) for repeated violation of rules, such as abandonment of over three days or not doing chores. Such residents will be directed to spend a night in a shelter, arranged by staff (barred from their home for one night). This will help encourage others to adhere to the rules knowing there are consequences for those that don’t.

A meeting was recently held with Suzanne and George from the Home Street Bank next door regarding plans to install additional security fencing in between, on Village property. The new fencing will make it difficult to scale the fence. Four additional security cameras are also being installed on the Village property. They also talked about allowing the Village staff to call police whenever people are illegally loitering or camping in the bank parking lot at night.

**Case Management Report**

Renata reported that King County is providing four Housing Access and Support Program vouchers (HASP) for WH residents. After December, the residents will have 3-6 months to find a unit in King County that accepts HASP vouchers. They are not accepted in Seattle or Renton, but elsewhere in the county. Voucher recipients will receive ongoing case management for accessing needed services.

The YWCA will be doing employment orientation workshops and services for residents beginning in January.

The village is currently down one case manager will only two part-time CMs. The third position is being filled.

**Open Discussion:**

 There was discussion about trying to get the Seattle Times to do an article about the Village. John agreed to reach out to the Project Homeless team.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, December 30, United Evangelical Free Church at 5:30 pm.

**Adjournment:** ~7:30pm