

Tammy Cloud-McMinn

From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 4:30 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Homeless - Safety of our children & families

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From: Jeremiah Patton <jeremiahpatton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 3:04 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Homeless - Safety of our children & families

Hello City Council,

My name is Jeremiah Patton & I am a resident of Carlsbad. My child plays (lacrosse, baseball, soccer, flag football, etc.) with practices/games at Chase Field/Pine Park/Holiday Park. For years, the City has been aware of the issues with the homeless near these recreational fields and parks. The city is well aware that homeless gather in these areas, making the bathrooms unusable for children. If a mother is with a male child, that male child is required to go into the women's restroom with their mother to ensure their safety. Now, you have added severely mentally ill homeless into the mix.

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I would suggest the board always keep in the back of their mind when making decisions regarding these type of issues that Carlsbad has always been well known as being all about families & children and the well being of our residents, that was the main reason I felt comfortable enough to move here from the midwest, because it was very far removed from the LA & San Fran way of life. If you start shifting too far away from that you are going to have a massive exodus of residents & destroying the very thing that made Carlsbad special in the first place.

Is the City of Vista still paying to house their homeless men over at La Posada in Carlsbad therefore only increasing the city of Carlsbad's total # of homeless people? Why can't the city of Carlsbad subcontract this out like they do & transport them to another city?

Stop being so focused on these grants & free money, it comes at a cost & ends up having the opposite effect and attracts them here to get free handouts. A lot of this money comes as well for housing without having to enforce no drug or alcohol use & that ends up being rampant & crime explodes.

When will the city of Carlsbad start enforcing the Care Act?

Regards,
Jeremiah

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To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: PROTECT OUR KIDS!

From: Shannon Everett <skeverett@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 3:07 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: PROTECT OUR KIDS!

Homeless and mentally ill are taking over our streets and community Parks.

Our children use Pine Park to have a safe place to play and get exercise. It's our community park! Sending my kids to practice and play at the park is no longer a safe option. The city needs to be as concerned about the safety and well being of every kid walking to school or to a baseball game as they are about their relationship with Affirmed Housing.

Please, before more children are molested, taken or worse PLEASE end Carlsbads relationship with Affirmed Housing, terminate the ground lease at Windsor Pointe and start protecting our youth and residents rather than importing the severely mentally ill from all over the county who have no ties to Carlsbad at all.

Shannon

Shannon Everett



Director, Gift of Life International, Inc.
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From: Council Internet Email
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To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Children Endangered by Mentally Ill & Homeless Problem at Carlsbad City Parks

From: Frank Temple <fjtemple@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 3:28 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Children Endangered by Mentally Ill & Homeless Problem at Carlsbad City Parks

Hi. My name is Frank Temple. My child plays lacrosse, flag football and soccer with practices/games at Chase Field/Pine Park/Holiday Park. For years, the City has been aware of the issues with the homeless near these recreational fields and parks. The city is well aware that homeless gather in these areas, making the bathrooms unusable for children. If a mother is with a male child, that male child is required to go into the women's restroom with their mother to ensure their safety. Now, you have added severely mentally ill homeless into the mix.

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From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 5:05 PM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Windsor Point

From: Austin Borders <austinsborders@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 4:43 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Windsor Point

Hi. My name is Austin Borders. I am a Carlsbad resident and business owner. My child plays lacrosse with occasional practices/games at Chase Field/Pine Park. The area has always had minor issues with homeless near the fields and parks. In the past, The city had done a pretty good job dealing with the that homeless gather in these areas. However, with the Windsor Pointe development and law enforcement's hands being semi tied, the issue has gotten out of control. It's gotten to point where our children no longer feel safe attending practices, gathering for pick up games, or even going to use the restroom without very close adult supervision.

Youth athletic programming is instrumental to a child's development in all aspects of life. I moved here well over 20yrs ago from Miami where parks were overrun with homeless, drugs and gang activity. We cannot have our city fall victim to this sort of thing. It fosters feelings of hopelessness instead of fueling dreams of bright futures for our children.

The potential danger associated with severely mentally ill people is not something Carlsbad is unfamiliar with (Kelly School shooting) and placing them in an area near three elementary schools and one middle school is just flat out irresponsible. I recently learned that there have been nearly 500 calls for police service to the Windsor Point development in the last year. This clearly makes Windsor Pointe's location inappropriate for people with severe mental illness. They need a better Location to ensure community safety and their own well being.

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Thank you for taking the time to read this.

- Austin Borders

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From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:28 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Windsor Point Feedback

From: Alanna Trimble <alannalt@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 5:43 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Windsor Point Feedback

Hello,

I am writing to voice my frustration with the Windsor Point project (specifically the Harding location). Years ago when the building hadn't been built yet, I had concerns about this project as it is in my neighborhood, super close to schools and parks, and in the path of many kids traveling to and from school and their sports. I was upset when it changed (sneakily) from veteran housing to housing people with severe mental illness - without the proper management or adequate support. It felt unsafe, and it is. I didn't feel like this location was mutually beneficial to our community and the new residents, but my concerns fell on deaf ears.

Since the project has been up and running, I have experienced the following:

- One of the residents is well known in our neighborhood, as he is frequently riding his skateboard up and down Harding. He has anger issues and frequently yells aggressively and loudly while walking down the street. On multiple occasions, my husband and I were awoken early morning (about 2am) to him cursing violently, using racial slurs and super aggressive language. This normally goes on for a while as he walks up and down Harding echoing through our streets when we should be asleep. We've seen him in the middle of the day, standing in the street aggressively yelling (seemingly at no one - or maybe cars?). I don't know what challenges he is facing, but he is definitely posing challenges and safety concerns for us and our kids. We have seen police officers attempt to speak with him and watched as he turned and walked away from them - when they were obviously not done with the conversation. How does it make sense that someone with such consistently disturbing behavior can be allowed to live in this facility?

- I am not sure if this resident is at the facility anymore, but a woman and her son moved in a while ago. Her son was in my daughter's class at Jefferson until he got moved to a school that could provide for his special /emotional needs better. The mom walked up and down Harding frequently also, maybe going to the bus or the store. She also aggressively yelled out of the blue. Once I was walking toward her with my daughter and her friend and the woman went into a rage - not necessarily directed at us, but she was within arms distance - and it was scary. I got the girls away and a bystander came over to us to make sure we were ok.

- I've seen people using drugs in their cars outside of the facility.

- I know there is a registered sex offender living there. How are there no adequate background checks? How did he get the opportunity to live in this low income housing by the beach when there are likely plenty of other upstanding, non-felons who are awaiting a spot? This obviously points to shoddy, lackluster screening - most likely by a company whose interest is not in our community or in helping those who are most deserving.

- I've seen some very pricey cars parked at Windsor Point daily (like literally parked in a Windsor Point parking spot) every day - obviously a resident. I was so shocked that a person who could afford a \$80k+ brand new (no license plate) Mercedes would be living in affordable housing. This is absolutely not what that facility is built for. Again pointing to bad screening.

I feel that the developers were in this for the money and the Carlsbad government showed that it does not value the safety of all of its residents. A facility like this should not be in a residential neighborhood. If we needed to build something like

this, it'd be best in an industrial area, closer to transportation and further from tax paying homeowners who just want a safe place for their kids. And definitely with more support for their residents so community members are not threatened by just walking down the street.

I'm upset that Carlsbad government put our family in this situation and am pleading for a major change.

Thank you,
Alanna Vincent

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To: City Clerk
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From: jeanwalker1@roadrunner.com <jeanwalker1@roadrunner.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 7:28 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Windsor Pointe

Hi! I am a Carlsbad resident. I wanted to let you know I would like to have Windsor Pointe shut down. Affirmed Housing has been making and breaking promises regarding this facility for over 4 years. First, it was going to be veteran's only. Then, they slipped in the seriously mentally ill. This is a residential neighborhood near schools and parks. It's not the appropriate location for a place with seriously mentally ill people who are living on their own and can choose to be unmedicated. These people aren't even from Carlsbad!

In August 2022, only 4 months after opening, Affirmed Housing sent the city a letter stating they couldn't deal with the people at Windsor Pointe. That was over 18 months ago. What is happening differently or that can be fixed? Affirmed already gave up!

Jean Walker

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From: Council Internet Email
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To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Pine Creek Crime - Coach, Dad, Homeowner, Tax Payer

From: Brad Sivert <bradsivert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 9:13 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Pine Creek Crime - Coach, Dad, Homeowner, Tax Payer

Hi Council Friends,

My name is Brad Sivert and I coach 5 teams for Carlsbad Lacrosse, specifically kids aged 5 to 8 in K, 1st and 2nd great. 29 awesome kids. I live in Carlsbad... I have for a while. I love it here and choose to raise my family here, despite the fact that I work in Northern California, traveling for work often. We pay a lot in taxes to live in a place like Carlsbad, to find the "American Dream."

My child plays lacrosse with practices/games at Chase Field/Pine Park/Holiday Park. For years, the City has been aware of the issues with the homeless near these recreational fields and parks. The city is well aware that homeless gather in these areas, making the bathrooms unusable for children. If a mother is with a male child, that male child is required to go into the women's restroom with their mother to ensure their safety. Now, you have added severely mentally ill homeless into the mix.

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Thanks,
Brad

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From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:29 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: NO to Windsor Pointe

From: Judy OConnor <crwfvoterreg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2024 11:38 PM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: NO to Windsor Pointe

To Carlsbad City Council,
The Windsor Pointe Project is not good value for the \$35 million it is costing taxpayers.
There has been an excessive amount of calls for service from the police and fire department. It does not seem safe or cost effective to put these institutions in the middle of neighborhoods.
Carlsbad is a wonderful place to raise a family but that will change if you continue building housing like this.
We want to preserve our beach community and send this project packing so that no other city experiences the destruction of their community the way that Windsor Pointe has destroyed ours.
No to Windsor Pointe and any future projects,
Judy OConnor
Carlsbad

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From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:30 AM
To: City Clerk
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From: Mark <mwsteffen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 12:26 AM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Windsor Point

YOU F'G IDIOTS!

\$8.4 MILLION?!

CARLSBAD — A once quiet neighborhood has become weary of a controversial supportive housing project as complaints and concerns have piled up.

Neighbors near Windsor Pointe are stressing and begging city and county officials to address long-standing problems to the point where many are calling for the city to cut ties with the development. Windsor Pointe is part of The No Place Like Home program and was approved by the City Council in 2020, opened in 2022 and has been a burden on the Barrio neighborhood ever since, residents said.

The project is owned by the Affirmed Housing Group, although residents have dug through hundreds of documents and are questioning the legitimacy of the project. Residents expressed continued frustration with crimes, safety and a lack of transparency leading to uncertainty and fear about what is happening inside the walls.

The City Council will address the issue during Tuesday's meeting and many residents will be in attendance. The two sites are at 965 Oak Ave. and 3606 Harding St.



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From: Sheila Cobian
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 9:53 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Questions

Importance: High

Please include in correspondence distribution for Item 9.

From: Priya Bhat-Patel <Priya.Bhat-Patel@carlsbadca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:18 AM
To: Scott Chadwick <Scott.Chadwick@carlsbadca.gov>; Cindie McMahon <Cindie.McMahon@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Questions

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From: michael ajdour <michaelajd@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 6:54:22 AM
To: Priya Bhat-Patel <priya.bhat-patel@carlsbadca.gov>; priya.bhatpatel@carlsbadca.gov
<priya.bhatpatel@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Questions

Dear Dr. Bhat-Patel,

I hope that you will take your time & ask questions tonight re: Windsor Pointe. Staff's measures do not sound sufficient. The problem is the drugs. The contract is full of holes & these buildings can be repurposed with a new set of rules. I know it is difficult when you interact with officials throughout the county and state with all the give & take around homelessness, but please remember your job is for serving the people of Carlsbad. The mentally ill people are vulnerable & ill-served by the contract as it stands.

Thanks,

Julie Ajdour

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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From: Council Internet Email
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 10:00 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: FW: Pine Park safety, affirmed housing issues

From: Bekah P <tobiasnbekah@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:30 AM
To: Council Internet Email <council@carlsbadca.gov>
Subject: Pine Park safety, affirmed housing issues

Hi. My name is Rebekah Pradenas. My child plays lacrosse with practices/games at Pine Park. For years, the City has been aware of the issues with the homeless near these recreational fields and parks. The city is well aware that homeless gather in these areas, making the bathrooms unusable for children. If a mother is with a male child, that male child is required to go into the women's restroom with their mother to ensure their safety. Now, you have added severely mentally ill homeless into the mix.

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Sincerely,
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