From: To: publichearing comment

[EXT] -

Subject: Date: Sunday, December 6, 2020 2:54:26 PM

Hi my name is esgom hannes

From:
To:
RCM Public comment
Subject:
[EXT] - Homeless shelter

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2020 8:16:49 AM

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> Hello,

> I would like to ask the city council to stop the county from placing any homeless people in our city. We never had panhandlers on Pacific highway and 216th until they opened the shelter. We now have them camped out in the median which is a danger to them and drivers. We have had our mailboxes riffled on average 3 times a week. Every box on our street open in the morning with mail in the street. We also have had graffiti pop up in the last week down here. They're painting Tukwila all over, apparently someone is lost and doesn't know they're in SeaTac. Is this all caused by shelter residents? I don't know, but I do know that these things have all started since their arrival. At the very least it shows we have enough of our own problems without importing more actual or perceived problems. Also, from a travel standpoint.. Would YOU want to stay in a hotel that was anywhere NEAR a homeless shelter? Would you want your children staying there? Any hotel that is housing these folks is permanently stigmatized as a shelter, even after the shelter residents leave. I would not trust a hotel that was used as a shelter. I think they should have to publicly disclose that they are or were used as a homeless shelter. The pandemic will be over eventually but the residue of bad choices will stay with us for years. Once you get a bad reputation its really hard to regain the confidence of residents and travellers alike. Thank you for your time. Lisa Woessner, SeaTac resident.

From:

To:

RCM Public comment

Subject: [EXT] - Overnight shelter moratorium **Date:** Sunday, December 6, 2020 9:40:21 PM

Please do not pass a moratorium on the use of SeaTac buildings and hotels as overnight shelters for people experiencing homelessness. These people need shelter and support, and are likely to freeze to death without overnight shelter as winter temperatures drop in the coming months.

As we face national economic crisis in the wake of Covid 19, without further financial relief or rent/mortgage forgiveness coming from the state or federal level, an increasing number of people will be facing lack of housing. They will need somewhere to go.

This is a time to create more resources for people in crisis, not less.

From: To:

RCM Public comment; publichearing comment

Subject: [EXT] - SeaTac Business Affected by Homeless Housing

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2020 9:00:45 PM

To whom it may concern,

My name is Judy Kim, and my parents own All Star Grocery at 2825 S 200th ST SeaTac, WA. You might have heard of the store from when my dad was stabbed 14 times by a Georgia man wanted for triple homicide on July 19, 2020. My dad did recover from the stab wounds on his head, arms, hands, chest, and back. His punctured lungs are still healing now. However, he suffers from PTSD from this horrendous incident. My dad still opens our store every single day because it is our duty as small business owners.

We had our convenience store for 23 years. Throughout the years, my parents noticed that the SeaTac area has become worse. The customers that were once nice and kind-hearted with smiles have been replaced with petty thieves and rude customers using abusive language. My parents have to deal with these customers multiple times a day for our store that is open from 6 AM to 9 PM every day.

Since the homeless hotel at the Quality Inn on 192nd and International Blvd, our store has been experiencing more theft, abusive language, and even defecation in our parking lot. My dad has to pick up literal human poop every morning, and my mom has to yell at people urinating on our building every night. When I was working at the store one night, I saw a small bag of illicit drugs on the ground dropped on the ground and quickly picked up by a homeless person. There are homeless people who steal from our store multiple times a day. Despite our constant effort to tell them that cameras are watching and not to come in if they are thinking about stealing, the rate of theft has exponentially increased. No matter what we do for our small business, we always end up feeling dispirited and disappointed.

Our area was not like this before. We know that the King County Council cares for small, local businesses. However, when projects like homeless housing affect these prized businesses, it seems as if the King County Council does not care for the well-being of their community. We had our business for 23 years in SeaTac, a city we loved and had hope for. Please make our community better and safer without the homeless hotel. These detrimental projects hurt the environment and safety of your loyal citizens. How much longer does my family have to suffer more hardships and tragedies?

Thank you for taking the time to read this comment. If you have any questions, email me at judy kim252@gmail.com.

Best regards, Judy Kim, Hye Kim, and Keun Kim. From: Peter Kwon

To: <u>Carl Cole</u>; <u>Kristina Gregg</u>

Subject: public hearing comment email bounces

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2020 7:01:22 PM

Hi Carl and Kristina,

I've heard from some folks the email to PublicHearingComment@seatacwa.gov is bouncing.

Here's an email I've received intended for the Tuesday moratorium public hearing:

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From: Mike West
Sent: Saturday, December 05, 2020 10:35 AM
To: 'PublicHearingComment@seatacawa.gov'

Subject: Homeless in SeaTac

Dear Mayor and City Council.

Placing homeless mentally ill and drug addicted people in our SeaTac Community is an extremely bad idea. Someone kicked in my back door causing over \$5000 in related damage. I've lived in this home for 52 years without previous problems, so it wouldn't surprise me if this was related to the Quality Inn. I'm not unsympathetic to the homeless, however placing them in vacant hotel/motels is a recipe for disaster. The Renton Red Lion had a fire caused by one of the "homeless" residents living there on 11/25/2020 because he didn't like the timing of his heartburn medication so he set the place on fire risking the lives of the other residents and surrounding businesses.

50 years ago the State of Washington had 4000 beds in 4 mental hospitals . Now we have 1500 beds and 2 hospitals and one of those hospitals has been de-certified by the federal government limiting funding resources . Even though our population has greatly increased during this time span our ability to solve this issue has decreased, even though millions of misspent tax payer dollars have been dedicated to it. Leaving these people alone and unsupervised under any conditions is not an act of kindness but cruelty. The "Homeless" situation has reached such a state that citizens have taken to clubbing and shooting them (Tacoma 12/04/20) out of frustration related to the crime surrounding this issue .

De-criminalizing drugs and creating free housing in our communities is not a recipe for success. I urge you to put a moratorium on any further "homeless" housing in SeaTac and ask that you work with the Governor and State Legislature to rebuild a mental health infrastructure where these people can truly get sober, receive the mental healthcare they need, and hopefully return to society as useful citizens.

Sincerely,

Michael J. West

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From: Peter Kwon

To: <u>Carl Cole</u>; <u>Kristina Gregg</u>

Subject: public hearing comment on moratorium **Date:** Monday, December 7, 2020 10:11:14 AM

Here is another email that bounced due to the typo. Please include:

From: Pat Holmes

Sent: Monday, December 7, 2020 9:35 AM To: PublicHearingComment@seatacawa.gov

Subject: Homeless Housing

We would like to comment on the housing for the homeless using hotels in city of SeaTac. Sounds like a noble gesture housing the homeless in hotels in our city, but history and past experience does not show good results. Yes, it would give us good feelings, but would not serve either those needy individuals or the community on a whole. Downtown Seattle has proved this to be true. It is a easy matter for government officials to lay this on the community without having any impact on themselves personally. All members of the community must abide by the established laws, would the persons in questioned do so? There are exceptions for the few most vulnerable.

Please take in account for the good of the whole community.

Sincerely,

Larry and Pat Holmes

SeaTac, WA 98188

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