
From: Mikkel Beckmen
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2015 2:12 PM
To: Lisa M Middag
Cc: David Jeffries
Subject: RE: Greenway Homelessness thread

Hi Lisa,

I just wanted to re-join the conversation and get updated as there have now been two other meetings related to camps in different parts of the City and 3 City Council Member conversations so I want to stay in touch.

Thanks,

Mikkel

From: Lisa M Middag
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2015 11:35 AM
To: Mikkel Beckmen
Cc: David Jeffries
Subject: FW: Greenway Homelessness thread

Mikkel, I'm hearing I need to loop you into our ongoing conversation with HCRRA, MPD and St. Stephens. See the attached notes from our meeting on July 27th. I'm also appending the thread of the conversation you and I had last month about the subject, where you suggested we loop in St. Stephens, which I did.

Just a reminder to tweak your memory—I spoke to Commissioner Dorman on Wednesday, and it was her impression that you didn't know anything about our efforts. She may have been mistaken, but just in case, here is the back story, and the current notes....

From: Mikkel Beckmen
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 5:47 PM
To: Lisa M Middag <Lisa.Middag@[REDACTED]>; Markus Klimenko <Markus.Klimenko@[REDACTED]> Matthew M Ayres <Matthew.Ayres@[REDACTED]>
Cc: Lisa Thornquist <Lisa.Thornquist@[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Greenway Tour Last

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Djeffries@[REDACTED]

Our office doesn't need to be there but we can help if folks are identified and then we can look at their shelter + service histories. And suggest options. Also if some folks are hanging out on the Greenway more to the west near Nicollet we can invite Simpson and St. Stephens shelters as they may have a relationship with some of them.

Also if human trafficking or pimping of girls and women is happening, the courts and no wrong door coordinator could be invited.

Mikkel
Mikkel Beckmen
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From: Lisa M Middag
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 05:01 PM
To: Mikkel Beckmen; Markus Klimenko; Matthew M Ayres
Cc: Lisa Thornquist
Subject: RE: Greenway Tour Last

Do you have contact info for Renee and Joseph? I need to convene the meeting. Is there anyone from your office who wants to participate? Thanks for your help!

From: Mikkel Beckmen
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 3:52 PM
To: Markus Klimenko; Matthew M Ayres
Cc: Lisa M Middag; Lisa Thornquist
Subject: RE: Greenway Tour Last

Renee Nyman from St. Stephen's street outreach will be talking to the 3rd precinct safe officers about it. Joseph Desenclos and Renee should be part of conversations about it. they can discern who is who and if there are camps of travelers vs. LT H folks or street & drug users using the space.
Also community members can call the street outreach tel # to leave info re: camps.

Mikkel

From: Markus Klimenko
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 10:40 AM
To: Mikkel Beckmen; Matthew M Ayres
Cc: Lisa M Middag; Lisa Thornquist
Subject: RE: Greenway Tour Last

Mikkel and Matthew

I just got off the phone with Lisa Middag from the County's Community Works area re. an increase in what seems to be a homeless population on the Midtown Greenway. See the string of emails below.

Lisa thought it would be helpful to coordinate the "physical cleanup" response with our side of the shop. I wasn't sure if working with homeless outreach would be appropriate in this situation.

Can you follow up with Lisa and let her know how OEH might be involved in this situation? I told her that much of the OEH office will be out of town for the NAEH conference, but that someone still might be able to be involved.

I have cc'd Lisa Middag on this email and you have her contact info. now.

Thanks

Markus

From: Lisa M Middag
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 10:29 AM
To: Markus Klimenko
Subject: FW: Greenway Tour Last

Here's the message from the 3rd precinct...

From: Greeley, Donald [mailto:Donald.Greeley@██████████]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Lisa M Middag; Rand Retterath; Soren Jensen
Cc: Sullivan, Michael; Adams, Chelsea R.
Subject: RE: Greenway Tour Last

Hi Lisa. It appears to me at least, that this is a significant increase, or at least it has become much more visible. This includes drug dealing and prostitution. I suspect that this is caused by the fact that we've significantly increased enforcement on E 29th St. and at 29th and Chicago. They've moved down there because it's quieter and safer for them. Inspector Sullivan, the 3rd Precinct Commander has asked me to find a way to address these issues.

Lisa, I talked with one of your folks, the crew that cleans up the Greenway. I don't remember his name. Part of the solution is to get down there, with some police support and clean up all these sites (i.e. throw all the bedding, etc from places where folks are camping, and clean up the litter). Can you help us with that? Do you think an Sentence to Serve Crew (Hennepin County) could help with that?

CPS Don Greeley

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"It ain't so much the things we don't know that get us in trouble. It's the things we know that ain't so." Artemus Ward

"Stay away from negative people. They have a problem for every solution." Pras Michel

From: Lisa M Middag [mailto:Lisa.Middag@██████████]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 10:03 AM
To: Rand Retterath; Greeley, Donald
Subject: RE: Greenway Tour Last

I was biking out on the Greenway Saturday for about an hour on Saturday (from Longfellow to Hopkins—around 10a and back at 5p or so).

I can't make 6a ever (my husband typically works late, so we're late risers), and can't run in any case (lousy knees!).

Do either of you have a sense what the uptick is about? I assume there's always a bit of an increase in homeless folks living outside on the greenway in the summer.

But it sounds like from Rand's experience, it's particularly worse this year.

Is there a recent social service change or gap that is impacting this?

Maybe we could reach out to some of the service orgs to see if they're seeing it too?

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building long-term value through housing, transit, jobs and placemaking

From: Rand Retterath [mailto:rettarr@[REDACTED]]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2015 6:51 AM
To: Sullivan, Michael
Cc: Soren@[REDACTED]; Lisa M Middag; evan08@[REDACTED]; Menter, David; May, Daniel; Commissioner.McLaughlin; Brian Shekleton; Alondra Cano; Aisha Gomez; Sheriff; Greeley, Donald
Subject: Re: Greenway Tour Last

I was just talking to a friend at the YWCA. He called 911 because of homeless folks sleeping at the intersection of the greenway and the bushes. He called about 6 am. I did not run that side of the greenway.

Regards

Rand

On Jul 11, 2015, at 2:20 PM, Rand Retterath <rettarr@[REDACTED]> wrote:

Thank you! Your help is so appreciated! I can't wait to go back to being quiet at home with no bothers. Right? Believe me? It could happen ya know!

Regards

Rand

On Jul 11, 2015, at 2:08 PM, Sullivan, Michael <Michael.Sullivan@[REDACTED]> wrote:

Rand,
Thank you for your determined commitment to documenting the issues of the Greenway.

The images are a very clear picture of the importance of keeping the wonderful Greenway clean.

Don - will you please determine who needs to coordinate such an effort? We need to get a timely response.

Inspector Michael Sullivan
3rd Precinct
Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 11, 2015, at 9:04 AM, Rand Retterath <retterr@[REDACTED]> wrote:

<IMG_2209.JPG>

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<IMG_2211.JPG>

This is the other consistently off leash shepherd I spoke of

These are important to me because these are the 2nd largest group using the greenway and one of the 3 primary users of the CEPRO site. The others are cycle commuters and prostitutes/johns/inebriates

Regards

Rand

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