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Subject: FW: Loitering Ordinance
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Hi Marilyn,

Will you please include this in the public record for Ordinance # 250395? Thank you.

Best,

Lace



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Ms. Cline,

My name is Karen Slaughter. We met at the KC360 meeting.

I serve as President of the Key Coalition neighborhood. Our boundaries are 27th-35th Streets Prospect to Woodland. We are familiar with and impacted by the issue of loitering.

We believe a loitering ordinance will be helpful but have several concerns.

We are concerned the ordinance will :

- move individuals off corners into neighborhoods and onto vacant unposted properties,
- create instances where individuals will receive multiple tickets resulting in warrants for non-payment (community service might be useful but not if it requires payment)
- create greater fear or negative impact to residents
- cause residents to get a ticket for standing on sidewalks near their homes or apartments

We appreciate the idea that officers will treat individuals with dignity and make sure they use body cameras during interactions. In fact we'd like to ask that the ordinance go even further.

August 2024, Key Coalition residents had lunch with people hanging out on 27th Prospect. Many described catching the bus to the corner to hang out with friends. I won't list all the details but will say the conversation led me to believe this ordinance could benefit from the key learning that residents and the people on the corner needed to hear how we were impacting each other.

I believe the Prosecutors (Johnson, Wyatt, and Mueller) would attest to the positive impact of diversionary programs. I also believe organizations like Mattie Rhodes, MOCSA, Aim 4 Peace, CCR, and AdHoc would attest to the positive impact of victim impact dialog. If residents could record how they feel when they see or half to interact, catch the bus or visit businesses where people loiter and if the loiterer were assigned to view or listen to a prescribed number of videos or recordings at a library or CAN center, it would remind him/her they are a part of a community and how their behavior is impacting it. Best of all, it wouldn't cost them any money. The Prosecutor's office or any of the organization's mentioned could assist in creating and cataloging the recordings. They could be made in English and Spanish. The offender would need to show ID to access the recording at the organization listed which verifies completion,

This is just a draft of how the ordinance could have a real impact. I hope you'll consider it or something similar.

Thank you,

Karen