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**Subject:** Violent Axe Attack & Fire at Union Point Park

Rebecca & Noel,

On Friday evening, March 9<sup>th</sup> there was a violent axe attack in the illegal homeless encampment at **Union Point Park**. This resulted in a serious head injury with the victim hospitalized.

## **Man hurt in apparent hatchet attack at Oakland homeless camp; 1 arrested**

<https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.eastbaytimes.com/2018/03/10/man-hurt-in-apparent-hatchet-attack-at-oakland-homeless-camp-1-arrested/amp/>

This is but the most recent incident of a violent attack at the park that required the response of both Oakland Fire and Police within the past few months.

Yesterday, Monday, March 12, the Oakland Fire Department had to respond to a fire on the top of the hill at Union Point Park in yet another illegal encampment.

The conditions at the park continue to deteriorate as the City of Oakland ignores its responsibility to enforce the no camping municipal ordinances that are clearly posted.

As a result, the City of Oakland is in breach of their lease with the Port of Oakland and their permit with the Bay Conservation and Development Commission, which require the city to maintain the park in a clean and lawful condition.

The conditions in the park are having a severe economic impact on the operations of the Oakland Marinas.

We are suffering financial losses due to slip vacancies in the marina at the same time we are faced with ongoing repair costs to the dedicated marina bathrooms which are an ongoing target for break-ins and vandalism.

We have reached out to all of the addresses for help with this problem, and yet the conditions at the park persist and continue to deteriorate.

Would it help if we attended a meeting of the Oakland City Council and made a direct appeal. Both I and Jim Hayes, the COO of Almar Marinas, would be willing to testify.

The status quo should not prevail.

The park should be cleaned and returned for the use and enjoyment by all of the people of the City of Oakland. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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