

On 8/4/18, 4:41 PM, "Brock de Lappe" <bdelappe@oaklandmarinas.com> wrote:

Brad, Schuyler, Adrienne,

While there has recently been efforts by the City of Oakland to remove illegal homeless encampments from the middle and eastern thirds of Union Point Park, many of those displaced have simply moved to the western third of the park.

The areas they are occupying are adjacent to the shoreline, clearly within the 100 foot purview of the BCDC and in breach of the permit that was originally issued for the construction of the park.

Last week I was informed by Sgt. William Febel of the Oakland Police Department that there had been a new violent attack in the park.

The victim was beaten so severely with a baseball bat that they were unsure if he would survive. This is just the most recent example of the violent crimes associated with the illegal encampments.

There are also threats, intimidation, prostitution, auto thefts and break-ins, and the accumulation of trash that makes this location undesirable to the general public.

There is no reasonable justification for this.

Why should a relatively few individuals, who are willing to break the law, be allowed to remove this potentially beautiful shoreline park from the use and enjoyment by the general public?

Just where are the priorities of those responsible for enforcing laws and protecting the public?

The deterioration of this shoreline environment has had a profound impact on the operation and viability of the adjacent marina.

Both the marina bathrooms and cars parked in the lot have been vandalized.

We are asking all concerned parties to assist in fully recovering Union Point Park by eliminating the crime-prone element associated with the illegal encampments.

I would also like to submit this information in support of our application to the BCDC for a security fence for the marina bathrooms.

Thank You,

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