From:

Rudy Dayyat <daystar0744@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, May 6, 2024 3:13 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

App. # PA-21-02

Several years ago, the city of Costa Mesa and Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene, entered into an agreement, whereby the city would invest \$500,000 in renovating Lighthouse Church and build a homeless shelter near John Wayne airport, in exchange, Lighthouse Church would cease it's practice of housing and feeding countless numbers of homeless individuals. Lighthouse also agreed to be a transitional housing and supportive service Church to the homeless until the John Wayne homeless shelter was established. In addition, a private security firm was hired to secure a one mile area around Lighthouse Church.

For 25 months, things hardly improved. When John Wayne homeless shelter did finally open up, Westside Costa Mesa started to improve immensely. No longer did the homeless roam around Westside Costa Mesa, defecating and urinating where ever they pleased. No longer did the homeless trespass on private property to conduct criminal activity. No longer were vehicles being vandalized and broken into. Westside Costa Mesa started becoming a safe place to live and work.

Lighthouse Church was a total failure at being a transitional housing and supportive services agency in the past and will probably be a total failure again. If PA-21-02 is approved, there will be 16 men, of unknown character, roaming around Westside Costa Mesa, conducting business as before.

Please, do not approve PA-21-02. Many of my neighbors at the Vendome Condo. Complex located at 1845 Anaheim Ave. (80 units total), all voters and property tax owners, All oppose passage of PA-21-02.

Please, don't turn Westside Costa Mesa into a slum again.

Thank U for your time.

Sincerely: Rudolph Dayyay. Resident, voter and property owner.

From:

Bonnie Berg <mae.bonnie@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 12:18 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

PDES-24-0001 PTPM-24-0001

Hello, I received a notice in the mail for the planning of this project. I am a homeowner on W. Wilson street. We are all for the upgrade and improvements of our neighborhood, however we are concerned about the parking situation. This unit will bring a minimum of 6-8 cars to the street. Will there sufficient designated parking for each unit? There is an apartment complex on our street already with an overflow of cars parking on the street. There is also a multi unit complex exactly like this one proposed currently in progress that will bring a minimum of 6-8 cars...

This is a major concern of ours, as well as other neighbors I've talked to on our street. Thank you for reading this and considering it.

Best,

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Bonnie Berg

From:

WILLIAM DINAN < dinanwilliam@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 7:39 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

Gatekeepers Program-the Lighthouse, Costa Mesa, CA

The gatekeepers program has been in effect for several years now. This program has a positive effect on the people that are a part of the program. Please consider a permanent commissioning for this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Dinan-Costa Mesa resident.

From:

pattya bellaterrawoman.com <pattya@bellaterrawoman.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 9:32 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

Gatekeeper program at the Lighthouse

Hi there, I just wanted to express my appreciation for the Lighthouse Gatekeeper program.

It have been very helpful as a catalyst for people wishing to better their lives, becoming more responsible and better citizens of Costa Mesa.

Patty A

Bella Terra Woman

Costa Mesa Resident

From:

Mike <mike1988schuler1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 10:25 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

Lighthouse Church Gatekeeper Program

After being homeless since 2011 in the city of Costa Mesa and struggling with drug addiction and not knowing where I'm gonna sleep from night to night throughout the years sometimes better than others but very difficult most of the time with short periods of sobriety now coming up on 7 months clean and sober with my involvement of N.A and Church attendance here at the lighthouse and going out with Linda Miles and the guys to help feed the homeless and pass out food to those in need I was asked by pastor's of the church and Linda if I would like to come into the gatekeeper program without hesitation I accepted and was the best decision ever change doesn't happen overnight and has afforded me to draw nearer in my relationship with GOD and has everyday. For 5 years I was hooked and addicted to heroin methamphetamine & fentynal and OD'd I don't know how many times blessed to be alive which is why I'm writing in length because of my gratitude to have this opportunity I have a purpose today to live and hopefully I can be a example that change can happen. I lost my mother in 2023 which is another huge motivator on my journey the lighthouse is a great place and serves well in so many ways and functions not only in my life but the community we live in and helps to make it a better place that's for certain. Truly a blessing Michael Schuler

From: Mike <mike1988schuler1@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, May 7, 2024 10:38 PM

To: PC Public Comments

Subject: Fwd: Lighthouse Church Gatekeeper Program

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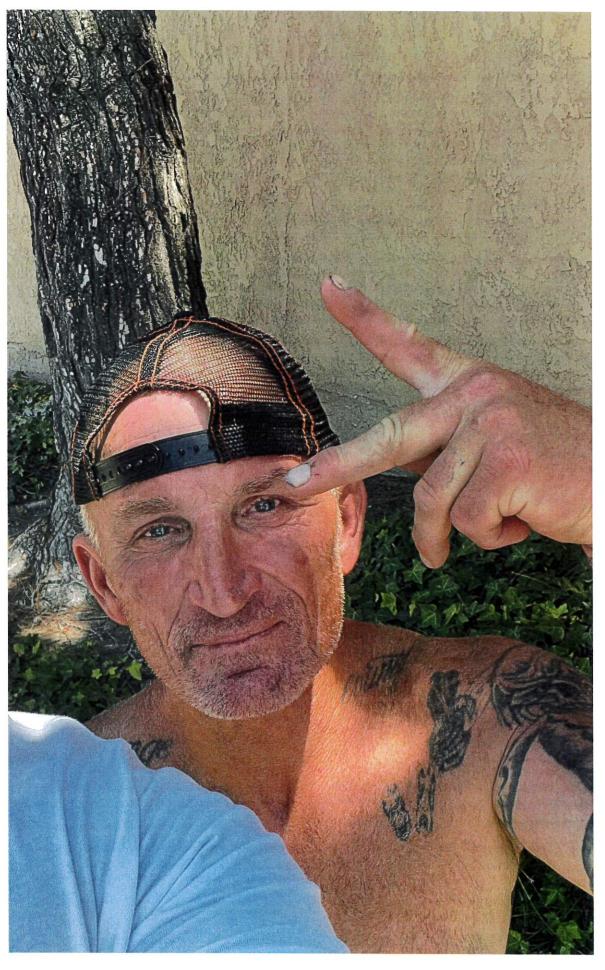
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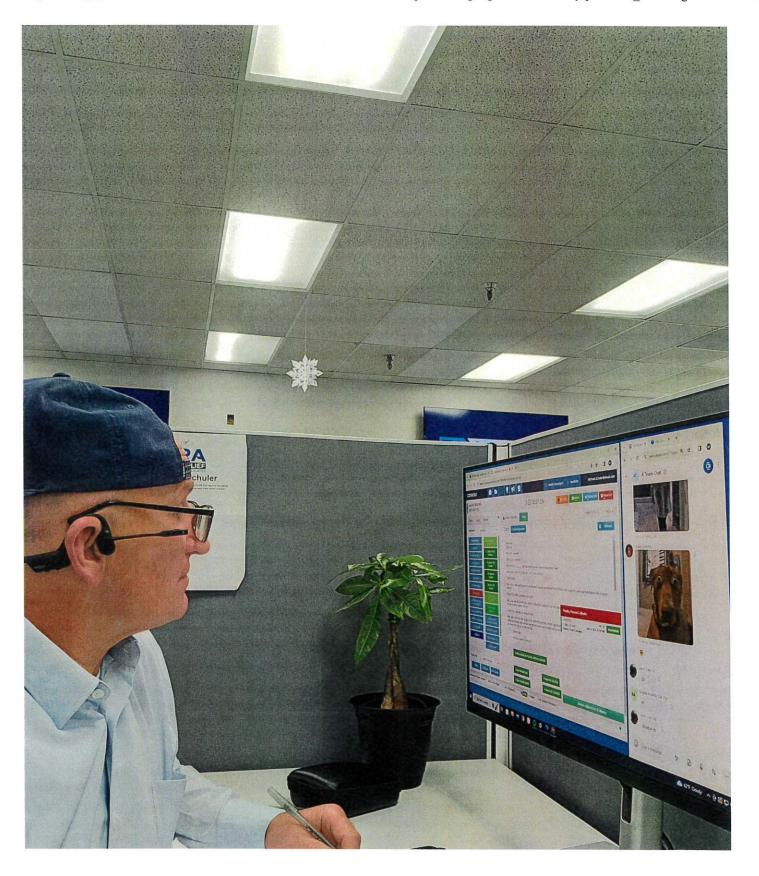
From: Mike < mike1988schuler1@gmail.com >

Date: Tue, May 7, 2024, 10:24 PM

Subject: Lighthouse Church Gatekeeper Program To: <PCPublicComments@costamesaca.gov>

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From:

Ian Stevenson <ian@wearetrellis.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 4:04 PM

To: Subject: PC Public Comments RE: App # PA-21-02

To Whom It May Concern,

Regarding the Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene's App # PA-21-02, as a 37 year resident and someone that has been intricately involved in working with people on the streets of Costa Mesa. I would like to speak in favor of their application to increase the number of beds to 16. Over the years The Lighthouse has been instrumental in helping hundreds of people experiencing homelessness to take next steps. The program they run, although not for everyone on the street, has proven effective and provides a much needed alternative for people struggling to overcome some traumatic life experiences.

Lighthouse has served the community well for decades now and granting them permission to increase the number of beds will allow them to do so in an even greater way moving forward.

Thank you,

Ian Stevenson

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From:

Norman Moore <norman@normanmoore.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 8, 2024 4:18 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

PA-21-02. Lighthouse Church

I have been helping the Lighthouse Church of the Nazarene in Costa Mesa since 2005. These dedicated people have provided consistent help for the poor and homeless in the area. Costa Mesa is better off because this church is a part of it. I strongly encourage the approval of this CUP application.

Dr. Norman Moore

From:

drbrussell@aol.com

Sent:

Thursday, May 9, 2024 8:50 AM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

Lighthouse CUP, App # PA-21-02

We have been members of the Lighthouse Church of THE Nazarene for over 5 years and have been very impressed as we see former street dwelling men change through the Outreach program to hard working successful individuals living on their own with adequate food, clothing and shelter. They accomplish this through the well structured Outreach Program where they have to follow strict rules. We have watched them become very successful in their own self worth having big smiles on their face when we approach them. We always greet them with either a hand shake or a big hug and tell them we are so proud of you and they say "thank you". We fully support the CUP as it will provide for the program to effectually improve the life of more individuals, which is good for the individuals involved as well as the City and residents of Costa Mesa.

Dr. Robert L. & Paulette Russell 900 Cedar Pl Costa Mesa, CA

From:

Russel Carter <cotoruss@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, May 9, 2024 12:06 PM

To:

PC Public Comments

Subject:

Lighthouse CUP

Planning Commission

City of Costa Mesa,

About 15 years ago I became involved and committed to helping the Homeless in Costa Mesa. My original venture was to have a weekly breakfast at The Sandpiper Motel. But very soon after realizing what homelessness was really all about I became deeply committed to helping however I could.

I soon discovered that almost all support for The Homeless somehow involved and included The Lighthouse Church. Their dedication to helping in as many ways as possible was evident to all. One of the main missions of TLC was to provide housing for some of the homeless in their facility.. They do it right and their model should be copied by all the agencies attempting to solve this crisis.

What do they do? My perception is that they provide a simple residence but require the residents who live there to basically EARN their stay by being responsible for whatever tasks are given them and to abide by all the rules established. They are all made aware that their stay at TLC is not permanent but rather a temporary stop as they prepare themselves for a useful and productive life on their own. Over the years I have met almost every resident in some capacity and will attest that IT WORKS!

Another role TLC has filled is to host many organizations and agencies to provide whatever services are needed by the residents.

I never left TLC without feeling the presence of God.

Please help them expand their homeless outreach.

blessings,

Russel Carter