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## CF13-0403

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------ Forwarded message ------From: **steven meeks** <meeksmusic@hotmail.com> Date: Tue, May 28, 2013 at 6:22 AM Subject: west los angeles recycle center hearing may28th CF13-0403 To: "Sharon.Gin@lacity.org" <sharon.gin@lacity.org>, albert lord city of LA <albert.lord@lacity.org>

May 28, 2013

To: City of Los Angeles – Zoning Administrator – CF 13-0403 – West Los Angeles Recycle

To all this may concern,

We have been fighting to have this facility closed for years now. Many residents are simply tired of having to once again provide input regarding this issue. Nothing has changed in regards to conditions improving around this facility. Loitering, public toilet use out in the open during daylight, drug selling & consumption, open container consumption, people with shopping carts plowing through our trash cans on their way to this business is still occurring on a regular basis. On several occasions, scavengers have been warned away from entering resident's property (driveways) trying to retrieve recyclables from trash cans.

The loitering occurs so often EVERY day that calling 911, tying up 911 operators with non emergency calls was senseless. This business itself is responsible for policing their property perimeter.

On the morning of their last hearing several months ago, a man was observed urinating on the facade, at the boundary of the property next door (we've been told the actual property owner). This on the morning their hearing!

This business owner seems not to really care about the neighborhood they operate their

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business in. The one thing we know they do care about; making money and taking it back to their neighborhood. They are not vested in our community. Once again we ask, would they welcome and even allow all of this degrading negative behavior next door to their home?

One resident is submitting a three week log that shows a record of people loitering. Though we have a few photos, taking photographs were problematic because of safety concerns.

Has this business been held accountable for its past non compliance? If so what type of penalty was accessed? By the way, this question has NEVER been answered by The City of Los Angeles.

Why was a set of conditions put in place and then they be allowed to circumvent them?

While there are a few residents who seem to not care one way or another, one or two that do not see much of a problem with this business, the vast majority of residents do not like this type of business in such close proximity to their homes. West Los Angeles Recycle has failed to be a good neighbor therefore we ask that they be closed down.

Thank you

Several residents on Chesapeake Ave

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May 28, 3013

Dear Sharon Gin,

I have expressed my concerns in the past; therefore I will not reiterate those issues of on going drug use, prostitution and homelessness that this business seems to attract.

I will let the photos speak for themselves.

The majority of the photos taken were during the week around 7:45a.m.

The photo of the Black male riding the bike. In another photo the same man reaching his daily destination without any recycling items.

The group shot I like to call "Cheers". These are the regulars that are at the Recycle Center daily. Every body knows there names and they are NEVER asked to leave.

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The man urinating, I will call him Dogman because he usually has his little brown Chihuahua dog with him. It looks like he decided to do his dog's job. This photo was taken by a 9 year old child on her way to school. A child. Many on Chesapeake that frequently observe this nasty behavior. I know the owners of the recycle can not stop a man from urinating. However, this man is at or near the recycle frequently and he is seldom recycling. Here is another photo of Dogman. I apologize for the bad shot. You can only see his dog down the street. Dogman is sitting in his usual spot, next to the Recycling Center. Also, Dogma was with his dog late one evening, while he looked like he was breaking into the Wood Furniture making business (Black Gate entrance on Chesapeake near Jefferson). The noise caught the attention of the neighbors who called the police. Dogman left with someone in a van before the police arrived.

Photos of homeless men sleeping. I am not sure if it is the same person. It was on different days and the police were called out to both. Both of these photos were taken around 7:45a.m. Both of these men have baskets and waiting for the Recycle Center to open.

On May 7, 2013, the man on the sidewalk (blocking the pedestrians ability to walk on the sidewalk), remained there until the police were called around 10:00am. My point in mentioning this is that no one from the recycle center took the time to look/walk the perimeters of the facility.

In closing, this behavior and more goes on constantly. Unfortunately, due to ones own personal safety, more could not be photograph. Honestly, at 3 court hearings and 7 years later, more should not because it really needs to stop.

Thank you,

Tired and Disgusted Home Owner, who can be reached through a member of the West Adams Neighborhood Council

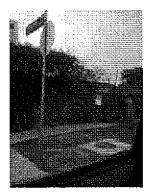
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ARC Daily bike ride May 2013.JPG 23K



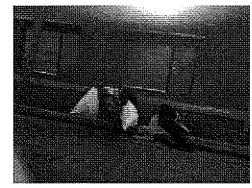
ARC- Daily rider destination May 2013.JPG 34K



ARC- Dog Man Urinating.JPG 30K



ARC- Dogman sitting.JPG 42K



ARC- Sleep on curb.JPG 31K

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ARC- Sleeping on Chesapeake (South East) next to Recycle.JPG 56K



**ARC- Cheers Regulars. JPG** 29K