

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Sirs/Madams I am the owner of a shopping center at 8031-8069 Vineland Ave. Sun Valley, Ca 91352. My center has as a rule 19 tenants. In the last year I have had 2 tenants leave due to issues with harrassment by the homeless. Along Lorne St which is directly across from the park is our center. We have a homeless encampment abutting our center. They cook their food on propane tanks and utilize electricity off the pole at night. You can see a ladder attached to the pole that they pull down to access the electricity at night. One of my parking areas is at the rear of our center where customers and tenants must enter. At this time I pay over \$5000.00 per month for security to make sure my customers safe passage and to keep their vehicles from being vandalized. My tenants tell me the homeless come into their stores and threaten them that if they try to do anything to them they will be sorry. They steal and they harrass until they get what they want. Sodas, Donuts, coffee and many other items that security keeps addressing at various stores and shoplifting at the 99 cent store. They write graffitti on my walls. Do their drug deals in the back of our center. My tenants are begging me for help and all I can do is beg Nury Martinez for help. The police will not do anything. This area of good families is becoming unsafe and blighted. The way things are going my shop keepers will ultimitly lose their business because of fear and losses. No small business owner can long withstand this type of treatment. Then were will you tax base come from ? Barbara Marks