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## Fwd: Bonin Created - Venice Beach Dumping Ground Pop up location

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From: Soledad Ursua <soledadursua@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Oct 17, 2019 at 7:19 PM

Subject: Re: Bonin Created - Venice Beach Dumping Ground Pop up location

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My original call to LAPD was at 6:04 pm. I have updated LAPD as to his new site around the corner and told them I will wait out here till they arrive. The attached picture shows the resident trash bins he has stolen and his new fortress encampment. He is now on Brooks Ave btwn Abbot Kinney and electric Ave

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On Oct 17, 2019, at 6:53 PM, Soledad Ursua < Soledadursua@gmail.com > wrote:

Here is a video showing him stealing residents trash bins <Video.mov>

On Oct 17, 2019, at 6:13 PM, Soledad Ursua <Soledadursua@gmail.com> wrote:

## Councilmember Bonin,

as we speak a homeless man is stealing trash bins from residents of North Venice and he is moving them to 800 Main Street, btwn Rose Ave and Brooks Ave, to set up an encampment. I believe this may be the same man that stole over 20 trash bins from residents and set up a fortress encampment outside the MTA lot, and the original source of our latest dumping ground. He has multiple shopping carts full of trash with him and he is also has an open flame on him and keeps

lighting something. I am afraid he will light the trash on fire.

On Tue, Oct 8, 2019 at 8:11 PM Soledad Ursua <soledadursua@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Councilmember Bonin,

I was walking my dog just now and a homeless man with two dogs walking off leash lunged at my dog and nearly bit her and myself. As we turned to rush home there was a drugged out man sleeping on a couch that was illegally dumped on Main Street and Vista Place. If you do not remember, let me refresh your memory. On September 10th, multiple people from our community have contacted you that this location has become an illegal dumping ground and needles were found. Myself and other residents have called sanitation an innumerable amount of times complaining about abandoned trash bins. This area has now become an illegal dumping trash ground in Venice. Over the past several weeks we have all called to get these bins removed and nothing has happened?

Why did these abandoned bins suddenly appear??? On July 18th, a mentally ill homeless man went throughout the community stealing trash bins from neighbors and then set up an encampment fortress using the trash bins on the MTA Bridge Housing site. When the police came to remove him, they did nothing to take away or return the 18+ trash bins that he had stolen and used as building materials. In this situation, when there are no public services available to the tax paying citizens that you represent, the abandoned bins have eventually been pushed towards Main Street, where they have been living since July 18th and have now made this area the #1 illegal dumping spot in all of Venice Beach.

It's easy to blame property owners who push these abandoned bins somewhere else, isn't it? Well I have had multiple men take a #2 (defecate) in my carport, which is private property, and the only thing that I can do is to take a hose and wash it away. You claim to be an environmentalist but please remember that all drains lead to the ocean, our most beloved Venice Beach. one to remove them at this point.

How much do you make a year? I'm pretty sure its \$200,000 per council member and you each get a \$100,000 "discretionary" slush fund, so that gets you to \$300,000 annually. With 15 LA City Councilmembers at \$300k annually that brings your annual payroll to \$4.5 million dollars annually in payroll to pay for completely incompetent council members such as yourself who do nothing but create further blight on their neighborhoods.

We call in every single week and NOTHING HAPPENS. YOU ARE THE #1 CREATOR OF BLIGHT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

How dare you ever show your face in this community again unless you finally get your "woke" and well paid ass down here and clean the mess that you created up for yourself.

STOP DUMPING ON VENICE BEACH!!!

Shame on Bonin and shame on anyone else in the City who covers for him. If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem.

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On Tue, Sep 10, 2019 at 6:21 PM Soledad Ursua <soledadursua@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Councilmember Bonin,

Yesterday, a fellow Venice resident warned me that used syringes were present on Main Street, near Vista Place, right outside the location of our new Homeless Bridge Housing complex. He was very upset as he has two young daughters who attend Westminster Elementary school, about 500 feet away from the syringes. At the time I was actually walking my dog and I was wearing flip flops, so needless to say, I was very concerned myself. The first two pictures are from yesterday.

Please tell me, is it not a big deal to have to walk over used syringes while you walk your son to his elementary school? I'd love to be more enlightened, perhaps I am not as "woke" as you are.

Today was trash day, so all of the trash bins and their surroundings should have been picked up. Actually, only half of these bins were collected and the needle is now further on the sidewalk, where someone will actually step on it. It turns out our City Sanitation employees don't want to touch them either. Please refer to the third picture I have attached where you can see the trash is thrown everywhere and the needle is now closer to the public.

The policies that you have set forth, and promote endlessly on social media, have caused unnecessary blight on our community, a community that is highly residential-inhabited by homeowners, dog owners, and parents with young children. You have created a dumping ground that meth and heroin users flock to, all at the cost of your constituents, the environment, and our beloved California state beach.

Would you be willing to come out here and personally pick up this needle, and all of the trash (and other hidden needles) among the newest dumping ground that you have created? Clearly Sanitation workers are not comfortable doing this, and rightfully so, they don't make enough money to have to pick up dangerous needles to further your own political aspirations as self focused career politician.

If you are not willing to do so, will you please admit to the community that you are personally the #1 agent in creating blight in our neighborhood??

Soledad Ursua

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