From: Rosie Jennings
To: Grp. City Council and City Web Site
Subject: Cedar Street
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Dear Council Members,
I am writing to voice my concerns about the urine, garbage, and furnishings left behind by individuals camping on our sidewalks. The curb appeal of our business is affecting our ability to hire. We along with everyone else in America are struggling to fill our vacant positions and many applicants have declined to come to their interviews once they saw the outside of our business.
Winds of Change had to create a new position in 2018 to be dedicated to removing trash and powerwashing our sidewalks Monday - Friday which has cost us $26,000.00 in wages. The amount of trash left behind after a weekend has our dumpster overflowing and on many occasions we have overage charges from Republic Services.
Several weeks ago the city and Poverello cleaned up the camping on Cedar and we are grateful. We work closely with Poverello and they have always proactively tried to help resolve neighborhood problems, but the problem is bigger than what the Poverello and Winds of Change can do. We respectfully request 1) enforcing no camping/ Loitering 2) city trash receptacles that are emptied several times a week 3) to consider exclusionary design for the sidewalk or permission do so ourselves.
Implementing the aforementioned would do a great deal of good for our neighborhood and would help us spend more time on what we do best, serving our clients.
Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

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