

DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT CORPORATION OF SANTA CRUZ
A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT BENEFIT CORPORATION
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 15, 2022
Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Donna Meyers, Renee Culver, Ian McRae, Ryan Coonerty, Chris Murphy, Kamala Allison, Kris Reyes

Members Absent: Justin Cummings, Bonnie Lipscomb

Others Present: Rebecca Unitt, Carter Jones, Aasha Abbott, Sonja Brunner

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Ryan Coonerty at 8:31am.

1. **Additions to the Agenda:** Kamala Allison announced resignation from DMC Board due to economic troubles at Fybr. Unitt proposed creating a nominating committee.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes approved unanimously with a motion by McRae and second by Culver.
3. **SC Police Report:** Carter Jones reported that there will be seven CSOs downtown and additional enforcement. Problematic characters are being addressed. There will be four additional officers coming out of training this week. Culver asked about night patrols to respond to break-ins. Jones said they're going to continue doing what they can. Timeline for Benchlands: first section is closed (about 40 tents) and there will be weekly closures of eight sections. Entire closure will be about six weeks. Have not seen a direct correlation between Benchlands residents and break-ins.
4. **Downtown Ambassador Program:** Sonja Brunner reported. Ambassadors provided hospitality and cleaning. Called Uncle Poop 19 times. Shane Klein (Uncle Poop) received a celebratory surprise on 9/14 as a thank you for all his hard work.
5. **Downtown Outreach Worker:** Aasha Abbott reported. Still a two-person team and looking for a third. New reporting process that is easier to read. 53 new homeless folks in August. You can call DT Outreach as an alternative to CSO. South side of DT is looking more clear. Food Not Bombs may be the cause of decreased foot traffic on the North side. Still working on getting a car donated to DT Outreach so they can further support people who need services.
6. **Financial Report:** Rebecca Unitt reported. First pass-through of assessment funds. Almost everyone has paid. Everything is operating well.
7. **Meeting Adjourned:** 9:09am

Dated: 9/15/22

Kamala Allison, DMC Secretary