

Where are Human Rights at Tonight's Meeting?

The Staff Report **completely ignores basic homeless needs** (sleep, sanitation, safe campgrounds) & mouths misleading merchant and police homeless-hostile mythology—justifying the institutionalized **crackdown** at the library, the levee, downtown, in the parks, and in the courts. The objective seems to be **to end the presence of visible homeless people** not to address real issues of homelessness.

BRING BACK SANTA CRUZ: Human Rights Now !

Human rights at home. **Stop anti-homeless hate crime**, whether from vigilantes, the police, city hall, private businesses, or “service-providers”. The cynical and misguided attack on the homeless community by **Mayor Bryant** and her City Council has poisonously conflated homeless people with needles and crime—with her fascistic “enough is enough!” Sentinel editorial [2-16]

Real Services Not Political Fluff at Coral Street

Replace the lockers ripped out years ago for increased office space! Clarify and post policies that **protect disabled people there**. Restore the **right to rest during the day**. As recently as 4-29, shelter bosses **denied Waiting List documentation** making sleepers more vulnerable outside.. **Legal support for homeless people** not collusion with D.A.'s. Defend the right to use public spaces.

Common Sense Campgrounds Not Sweeps !

Support and **defend survival camping** for the 95% of the homeless without shelter locally. **Fund immediate emergency sanctuary campgrounds** with sanitary and trash facilities. **End the** mindless, cruel, and futile **sweeps** of homeless survival camps. **Document police & vigilante destruction** of homeless property to end it by legal challenge. Make littering not sleeping illegal by sanctioned clean campsites and punishing dirty ones.

Constitutional Rights Not Curfews

Homeless people suffer from the “**forbidden zones**” at night—along the river, in the parks, in the Pogonip, at Cowell Beach where mere presence is a punishable crime. We all face criminal charges for being near the courthouse, the county building, the library, and/or at City Hall after dark in new **anti-activist & anti-homeless curfews** decreed largely without public vote.

End Uniformed Thuggery Downtown

Police cars, security guards, and yellow-jacked “hosts” descend in force on street performers, activists, homeless people, food providers, and others to abusively restrict peaceful use of public spaces on Pacific Avenue. The City Attorney's office defies the *White v. City of Sparks* decision which supports artists rights to display and sell their artwork on the sidewalk.

Open & Democratic City Council Process

The Council uses the “beg if you want to speak” process for a majority of agenda items with “permission” required before a particular item can be individually addressed. Oral communication is isolated at 5 PM. Staff reports get rubberstamped & steal public time.

Ignoring criminalization of the poor outside makes criminals of all of us!

HUFF: Homeless United for Friendship & Freedom meets 10 AM-noon Wednesdays 703 Pacific Ave. Occupy Santa Cruz -- 5:30 PM Saturdays Post Office Steps

Food Not Bombs Santa Cruz--- serves 4 PM near the steps-- volunteer on the face book page.

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