

Downtown Community Council
Alcohol & Marijuana Committee
LED & Neighbors Mediation Meetings Notes
7/31/19 & 9/11/19

7/31/19 Attending – Robert (LED) Erick, Sue, (neighbors), Silvia (DCC)
Group talked about the concerns from the neighbors and came up with a list of items. (P = Problem) (S = Solution)

1. Parking

P. No policing in the parking lot and people are parking at the RSD building parking and at the main parking lot adjacent to the RSD building and Sue's property. Robert is parking at the RSD parking space and Sue sees a problem with it. Sue is putting yellow cones surrounding the RSD parking to prevent people from parking.

S. Robert will contact RSD management for permission as Robert parks there for delivery access. Sue to contact APD and/or towing company for towing of vehicles however, Sue needs a letter from RSD authorizing to call for towing. Sue will contact RSD management for letter.

2. Trash

P. Trash and empty liquor bottles surrounding the area. There is no policing the parking lot.

S. LED will police the area. LED has been policing however they will do more. Dimond parking to be contacted as they are responsible for parking lot maintenance and security.

3. Noise

P. Music loud and disturbing the neighbors. Doors are open due to the extensive heat this summer. Back patio loud music Saturday and Sunday.

S. LED has acquired a noise permit from the health department, noise monitoring after 10pm. LED will close one of the doors on the 6th avenue side or both if it's not too hot.

4. Bar Break

P. Crowd is out of control, staying in parking lot and loud music from vehicles.

S. At bar break LED has staff outside getting customers to move along, normally the parking lot is cleared by 3:15am to 3:20am. LED will be more diligent with crowd control. Robert will contact Dimond parking to assist with security.

9/11/19 - Attending Robert Alexander (LED), Silvia (DCC), Neighbors could not attend but I moved forward with the meeting. Robert gave an update as follows.

1. Parking – After contacting Matt at Dimond Parking, Dimond it is not the entity in charge of the parking lot, they believe it is Easy Park. Silvia gave Robert Easy Park contact information for Demetric Tuggle. Robert will be contacting them.
Robert has contacted Tamara Rupe, and she authorize him to park at the RSD building parking area to unload merchandise or deliveries.
2. Trash – LED continues to policy the area, however about 2 weeks ago, after picking up trash of all kind. LED is now only picking up alcohol related items. Parking lot owner needs to policy that area, they need to be responsible. Robert also noted, homeless situation is all around that area, not only around LED. Robert has collected pictures of homeless people sleeping and congregating around the buildings.
3. Noise/Bar Break – Robert reported at the last meeting he had given Erick (neighbor) his personal information and to contact him directly if there were any noise issues or any concerns from him or Sue (neighbor). Erick to be the go between Robert and Sue. As of 9/11, he has not heard or received any calls from Erick.

11/30/19 - Summary:

After meetings with Bernie Lewis (owner of parking lot), Tamara Rupe (management RSD building), Matt Samuel (Dimond Parking), APD, and AMCO, Robert Alexander (LED Lounge) and Russ Reno

1. Parking Lot – It was noted, Easy Park is not connected with this parking lot. Bernie Lewis who is the manager of the parking lot contracts with Dimond Parking.
Conclusion, parking lot will be monitored 24/7 by Dimond Parking, RSD, and Bernie Lewis (private security company). RSD will not allow any parking at the back parking lot during non-business hours. we feel this is a win for all as the parking lot security was one of the high topics of conversation.

2. Trash - will be monitored 24/7 by Dimond Parking, RSD, Bernie Lewis (private security company), trash around the parking lot and buildings was the second point of conversation. Trash will be monitored and picked up as the parking lot is being monitored by security companies and LED.
 3. Noise – Not applicable, this issue was dealt with right away by LED.
 4. Bar Break – Neighbors will be communicating with Robert Alexander via personal cellular phone, in the event there are issues that need immediate attention. LED will keep monitoring their building and parking lot at bar break for crowd control and in getting customers to clear the area fast and safe.
- Anchorage Police Department did not have any nugatory report on LED.
 - Alcohol, Marijuana Control Office no Notices of Violations noted. However, complaint was received from neighbor.
 - RSD will be installing security lights and cameras back of their building. It was determined by RSD no after hours parking will be allowed at the back of their building.

In conclusion, this process may not stop citizens from protesting the license at renewal, however we know the Downtown Community Council A&M Committee worked hard to get neighbors together in order to work on the issues or complaint/s. I would like to thank Russ Reno, Tamara Rupe, Bernie Lewis, Matt Samuel, Robert Alexander, Anchorage Police Department, AMCO and LED neighbors for their involvement in this process in good faith and with the intent for problems or situations to be discussed and resolved through collaboration.