

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Alfred D. Lott, CPM
City Manager

SUBJECT: *Status Report* DATE: August 31, 2017

Status Report

1. Warm Nights Returns to the Kenhill Center

Warm Nights is an interdenominational program providing food and shelter to homeless men, women and children from Prince George's County. It operates under the auspices of the non-profit organization Community Crisis Services, Inc. Due to expressed need and an increase in funding, the program is expanding to encompass 52 weeks a year instead of just the weeks from November through April. Unfortunately the program staff has not yet been able to find locations to host all of the new weeks. This past week the City received a request to host the program for a second time. Although we do not plan to become a regular host location, we did what Bowie does best and agreed to help. Our Warm Nights guests (up to 25 men, women and children) will arrive at the Kenhill Center on Sunday evening September 3rd and be with us each evening from about 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. the following morning until Sunday morning, September 10th. Tenants and staff at the Kenhill Center have been notified and no disruption to their activities is anticipated. The staff liaison to this program is Community Services Director Sally Hein. If you have any questions she will be available at 240-508-0530 throughout the week.

2. Bowie Citizens for Local Animal Welfare (CLAW) Receives Grant for Trap, Neuter and Release (TNR) Program

The Maryland department of Agriculture (MDA) has awarded a \$13,000 grant to Bowie CLAW for the purpose of supporting their TNR program. Funds will be used to humanely reduce the stray/feral cat population by funding 250 sterilization procedures during the coming year. Bowie CLAW wishes to express its thanks to the City Council for their endorsement of the TNR program and their letter of support for this grant application.

3. Traffic Signals LED Module Replacement

The City has contracted with Lighting Maintenance, Inc. to replace the LED's modules in all City owned and maintained traffic signals, pedestrian signals and school beacons. The work is expected to begin September 5, 2017 (weather permitting) and expected to be complete in 3-4 days. This will require lane closures, but all roads will remain open during this process.

The intersections are:

- Northview Drive @ Nottinghill Drive
- Northview Drive @ New Haven Drive/Evergreen Lane
- Northview Drive @ Bowie Mall Entrance/Health Center Drive
- Northview Drive @ Enfield Chase
- Mitchellville Road @ Harbour Way
- 2 School Beacons at Northview Elementary School located at 3700 Northview Drive

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