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AGENDA May 25, 2016

- CAC Report: Lynn Johnson
- Proposed resolution to change the traffic pattern at the turn signal on Albany Ave and Wrentham St to allow for a left hand turn alternate signal north bound at the intersection of Albany Ave. and Wrentham St. (James Noble)
- Reinstate public parking on West Chestnut Street – Joseph Sangi
- Handicap parking request at 65 Stephan St. Permit # 4t49442 exp. L2/L9: (James Noble)
- Ulster Coalition Against Narcotics (UCAN): Alderman Mills
- Revising onstreet overnight parking code: Alderman Brown
- Stefan Bohdanowycz 115 Abeel Street – Certificate of Occupancy/Address change
- Open Government Policy: Mayor Noble
- Handicapped Parking removal 47-49 Wurts Street: Ald Schabot
- Handicapped Parking Audit

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Winnie, Carly

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Please add to the PS committee. Thank you Jim

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Jim

Like to get on for next month's communications a discussion on a resolution to change the traffic pattern at the turn signal on Albany Ave and Wrentham St to allow for a left hand turn alternate signal north bound at the intersection of Albany ave and Wrentham St.

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Dear Jim Noble,

Date: 4-25-2016

Council President, and the

Kingston Common Counsel,

I am writing to formally request that the Kingston Common Counsel take action to reinstate the public parking on an entire block on West Chestnut Street, between the corners of Orchard Street, and Augusta Street. These very much needed parking spaces that have existed for as long as anyone can remember, were eliminated in the fall of 2015.

This occurred without any notification to me or any of my tenants at 106 West Chestnut Street, Clearly and Obviously a final vindictive act perpetrated during the last few months of the previous administration.

Alderwoman Deb Brown is and has been for many years, a very verbal opponent of our Boarding Home and its residents, at this location. Deb Brown is a part of a very small group of neighbors, approximately 12, that have publically spoken out against the use of our existing Boarding Home in Our neighborhood, and it is in fact " ALL of OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, not just theirs".

Deb Brown came before the Counsel that existed during 2015, causing the approximately 10 parking spaces on this block across the street from my property to be wrongfully eliminated, stating to the Counsel among other things that:

" the street narrows at this point and is dangerous". This is ridiculous, and completely untrue, since it's the same measurement as the entire street from Broadway to the very end of the street. Parking on both sides of the entire street is and always has been allowed from end to end as such, without anyone ever coming before the Counsel and seeking relief for these baseless over exaggerated myths.

The truth is that just about all the streets in the City are crowded and a bit more dangerous when snow is plowed and cars are on both sides of every street in Kingston, but alderman aren't asking the Counsel to remove blocks of Public parking that has existed for Centuries. This parking ban is causing an extreme hardship to homeowners, tenants, employees, families, visitors, young children, city workers, bus drivers, etc.... and is totally without merit.

PS 13.

Winnie, Carly

From: Jnoble <jnoble39@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2016 9:29 PM
To: Winnie, Carly
Subject: 65 Stephan St

Carly, Please add to the P. S. Committee for handicap request at 65 Stephan St. Permit # 4149442 exp. 12/19

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Winnie, Carly

From: Jnoble <jnoble39@aol.com>
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Subject: Fwd: Ulster Coalition Against Narcotics (UCAN)

Carly Please add to the P S Committee . Thank you . Jim

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Cc: Carly Winnie <cwinnie@kingston-ny.gov>, Dee Sills <dsills@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: **Ulster Coalition Against Narcotics (UCAN)**

Jim
Recently the council received a letter from Louis Klein, Chairman of UCAN.

I ask that you refer this to the appropriate committee as the City of Kingston needs to establish citywide representation with UCAN and have a voice and take action to combat against Narcotics that is clearly present in our community.

We as elected officials along with the residents of our city need to be involve in the plight to take back our community. The county and other communities have created groups and made a commitment to participate.

The city cannot overlook the opportunity to aid in this crisis.

I have been in contact with Lou and have information to share.

Thank you
Maryann Mills
Alderman Ward 7

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

ULSTER COALITION AGAINST NARCOTICS (UCAN)



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March 22, 2016

To: All Town and Village Clerks and Town and Village Boards

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

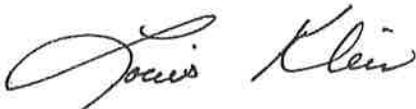
As you may know, the Ulster County Coalition Against Narcotics (UCAN) was formed by the Ulster County Legislature in 2014 to research and make recommendations on ways to address the growing issue of Heroin and Opioid use, abuse and overdose in our communities. As Chairman of UCAN, I have served with distinguished members of the medical community, educators, members of law enforcement, elected officials, individuals in recovery and grieving mothers.

I am happy to say that since our creation we have been hard at work. We submitted our first report to the County Legislature in September which contained seven policy and five budget recommendations. Additionally, one of our principal purposes is to inform the public throughout the county of the existence of an opioid crisis and to enlist its support in our quest to abate, if not resolve the problem. It is toward that end that I am writing to you today.

We are aware that many of our communities have created groups with similar objectives to UCAN's within their borders. If your community is among them, we would appreciate it if you would inform their representatives about us and that we welcome their participation in our mission and enlist their support of our efforts. As a creation of the Ulster County Legislature, UCAN is the first line of communication to county elected officials. We are most eager to hear what local community groups feel the county should be focusing on to address this issue and urge them to contact us.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully yours,



Louis M. Klein, Chairman
Ulster Coalition Against Narcotics

The PAARI Program is Coming to Ulster County!

Woodstock Police Department, Woodstock Town Board, and Rt.212 Coalition announce:

The Woodstock Outreach Initiative Program

Are you interested in building stronger community relationships?

Are you interested in helping those struggling with addiction?

Are you ready to save some lives?

Become a Volunteer Angel!

Rt.212 Coalition will be having an information session on Tuesday, May 24th at 6:30pm at The Town Hall in Woodstock

We will be covering the: volunteer application process, volunteer description, and all trainings!

Volunteers must be within 20 minutes of the Woodstock Police Department during their 6-hr volunteer shift. Volunteers must also be 18 years of age or older with a valid driver's license and vehicle.

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Police Chief Clayton Keefe.

Those confronting their drug addiction will have an angel on their side under a new program featuring cooperation between the Woodstock Police Department and Rt. 212 Coalition. Under the new Woodstock Outreach Initiative Program, anyone entering the police station between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. to seek help with an opiate addiction will be screened and assisted by volunteers called angels, explained Supervisor Jeremy Wilber as he introduced the

program at a special meeting April 25.

"If this can save anybody, it's worth all the work and effort," Rt. 212 Coalition co-organizer Kasandra Quednau said. The group was founded to fight back against the heroin epidemic that has reached Woodstock and surrounding communities by working with towns and organizations to make services accessible to those struggling with addiction. All too often, addicts or their friends or loved ones do not seek help for fear of police involvement and arrest, but they need not worry. Under provisions of the state's Good Samaritan Law, those seeking help will not be arrested for minor drug or alcohol offenses.

"If you or anyone you know in the town of Woodstock appears to be suffering from an overdose, please, do not waste time trying to hide evidence of drugs or drug paraphernalia. Call 679-2422, Woodstock Dispatch, immediately and report a drug overdose," said Police Chief Clayton Keefe, who added trained personnel will administer Narcan. The drug immediately reverses the effect of an opiate overdose if given quickly.

"Time is of the essence. Call 679-2422 immediately," Keefe said. If anyone seeking help for addiction is in possession of drugs or paraphernalia, those

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items will be seized and destroyed, but the person will not be arrested on minor drug charges.

However, that immunity from arrest has its limitations. Police must check for outstanding warrants and officers may charge individuals suspected of selling drugs.

If the person seeking treatment is under 18, parents must be contacted, something that is "too bad," said Wilber, but is required. The town hopes to implement the program in mid-June once volunteers are trained, Wilber said.

"What we are counting on is there's enough people in this community who want to do something about it and help," Wilber said of the heroin epidemic that took the lives of three area youths in recent months.

"This is one of the worst drug addiction periods we've ever come across," Keefe said.

Upon intake, the police will contact a volunteer angel and, working with the Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative, or PAARI, will try to place the person in a rehab facility. PAARI is a nonprofit organization founded to help police departments work with those addicted to opiates rather than arrest them. PAARI is modeled after an initiative developed in 2015 by the Gloucester, Mass., police department in which addicts who come to the police station for help are taken to a hospital and placed in a recovery program. PAARI helps police departments across the country develop similar policies and tries to take the stigma away from addiction, focusing on it as a disease instead of a crime.

Unfortunately, the bulk of treatment facilities are located out of state, said Rt. 212 Coalition co-founder Shayna Micucci, meaning travel can make recovery costly even when the treatment center is covered by insurance. To that end, Family of Woodstock is helping establish a scholarship fund. The Rt. 212 Coalition is organizing a vigil June 11 that will serve as a fundraiser, with details to come soon.

Those interested in becoming a volunteer angel must be reliable, non-judgmental, flexible and compassionate. A valid driver license is a must and volunteers must be on call for at least one six-hour shift per week. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. When on call, volunteers must be located within 20 minutes of the police department. If interested, email rt212coalition@gmail.com. Training will include a three-hour orientation and six additional hours at a schedule to be determined.

"In the long run, you're going to be saving this community lives," Councilwoman Cathy Magarelli said.

"We're looking for volunteers. But if you can't volunteer, we're looking for donations," said Councilman Bill McKenna.

The Rt. 212 Coalition will hold an informational session about the program Monday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. at a location in Woodstock to be determined.

The group will also have training in administering Narcan Monday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Woodstock Jewish Congregation, 1682 Glasco Turnpike.

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Cuomo Forms 23-Member Heroin Task Force

Gov. Andrew Cuomo on Tuesday formed a 23-member panel that is being charged with combating heroin and opioid addiction in New York.

The addiction crisis has long been simmering through swaths of the state, especially in economically troubled rural areas in the upstate regions.

“Opioid addiction is a national epidemic that continues to plague families in communities across New York – and the state has been taking aggressive action to tackle this crisis head on,” Cuomo said in a statement.

“The Heroin Task Force will take these efforts to the next level with a comprehensive action plan developed by a diverse coalition of experts. We will use the task force’s recommendations to implement smart solutions that will protect public health, enhance safety in communities statewide and save the lives of vulnerable New Yorkers.”

The task force will be led by Lt. Gov. Kathy Hochul, who will serve as co-chair alongside Arlene Gonzalez-Sanchez, the commissioner of the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services.

State lawmakers had previously signaled plans to fight heroin addiction in the state, with a push designed to provide more increased quantities of naloxone in communities across the state. At the same time, a Senate-led task force on addiction has pushed for increased treatment options on the local level following more than a dozen hearings on the issue.

Over the last several years, state officials have sought to temper the growing heroin addiction issues that have plagued parts of the state given the cheaply produced and readily available amounts of the drug.

Nevertheless, the problem remains unabated, with communities like Elmira particularly hard hit.

“Heroin and opioid deaths in New York State have reached unconscionable levels,” Hochul said. “On behalf of the families all across New York whose lives have been shattered by this crisis, I’m honored to lead the fight against it. We will leave no stone unturned in our quest to find ways to not only prevent, but also break the cycle of addiction that has destroyed so many lives in our state.”

The task force also includes Health Commissioner Howard Zucker, Sen. Terrence Murphy and Assemblywoman Linda Rosenthal.

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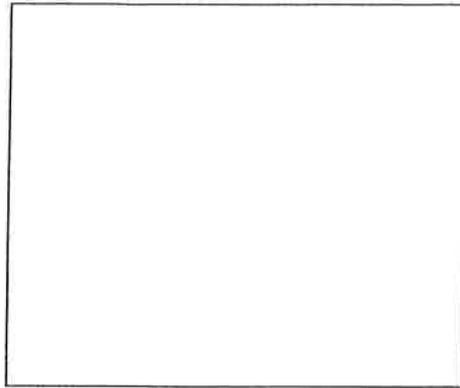
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MARC fights drug addiction

POUGHKEEPSIE – The Mid-Hudson Addiction Recovery Centers Inc. (MARC) held their 39th annual luncheon, Friday, featuring MARC alumni and local elected officials to speak about the organization, its evolution and its importance to the community.

MARC provides a variety of services like sober living facilities, treatment centers and group programs to individuals suffering from drug addiction.

JoAnn Perkins, a MARC alumnus and a participant in the organization's founding said the evolution of the organization is a work in progress.

"Sometimes it's an uphill struggle but, they stay faithful to what they're doing," said Perkins. "They stay faithful to seeing that they get better and better and can provide more services which are much needed."

As part of the organization's evolution providing services, they are looking very seriously at the scourge of opioid and heroin addiction in the region. MARC's Executive Director Steven Pressman said, according to patients at their live-in centers last year, 65 percent of them listed heroin, or opiate pain killers, as the substance of their addiction. Pressman said this is a substantial increase from only 10 years ago.



Molinaro: "Every individual deserves to have an opportunity"

With this epidemic of opioid dependence and addiction, Dutchess County wants to become more involved, helping to cooperate more with the work MARC has been doing for some time.

County Executive Marcus Molinaro said that in order for real progress to be made, a major change needs to happen in the area of reducing the stigma of drug addiction and treating such people as having a disease, not as criminals.

"Every individual deserves to have an opportunity. Should they have an earnest desire to improve their life, they need to have the support of their family, their friends and neighbors," Molinaro said. "So, the fact is, we have to start by confronting the stigma and then make sure the resource is available. MARC is one of the most important resources we provide individuals, totally stigma free, entirely caring, without judgment, providing addiction services and support to individuals who are struggling to overcome the demons of addiction."

Poughkeepsie Mayor Robert Rolison said that, by this fiscal quarter an over \$1million county funded, recovery stabilization center will be built on North Road of Poughkeepsie. Rolison said they found the idea from a county in Texas and thought it was so good, they decided to copy it.

"This county looked at it and is duplicating it, to the level that we can right now, to help people that don't necessarily need to be in a jail setting, initially, into a center to help get them stabilized and then look at what they need to get on that path, which could be a long road and it usually is but, you've got to start someplace and we believe that having that first intervention and at the county level, will go to helping these individuals eventually recover using MARC as a model," said Rolison.

MARC provides services to all people in need of addiction treatment for free, regardless of residency. When the county stabilization center opens, MARC and the county will be able to cover all bases of addiction treatment.

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Hooked: One Family's Ordeal With Fentanyl

This deadly synthetic painkiller, up to 50 times as powerful as heroin, presents a new level of peril in America's opioid crisis

By Jon Kamp and Arian Campo-Flores | Photographs by Kieran Kesner for The Wall Street Journal

MANCHESTER, N. H.—When his son fell prey to America's latest drug scourge, Joel Murphy, a funeral-home worker, knew his family had plenty of company.

He could see it in the faces of the dead.

Many of the corpses he picked up on the job were men in their 20s, with close-cropped hair, baseball caps and gaunt frames. They made him think of his youngest son, Joseph.

"I see him sometimes, I see him in a lot of them," he said.

This is the human toll of the illegally made painkiller fentanyl, a synthetic narcotic that presents a new level of peril in the opioid crisis ravaging the U.S. Up to 50 times as powerful as heroin, and cheaper to produce, fentanyl is the end result of a drug trade that has proven wildly innovative and difficult to stop.

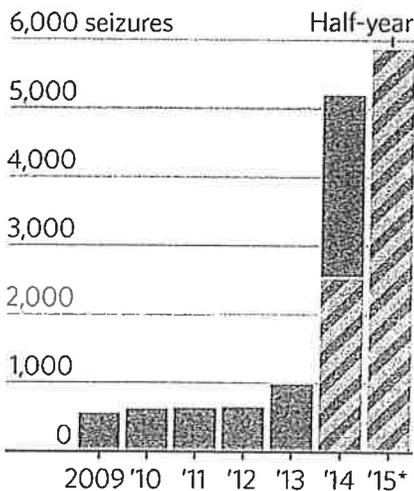
Unlike heroin, which requires large swaths of land for poppy production, fentanyl is the product of simple chemistry. U.S. officials believe much of the supply comes from illegal labs in Mexico, meaning there is no need for prescribing doctors, the enablers of an earlier generation of American pain-pill abuse. Some buyers have even ordered fentanyl, or close imitations of it, through the mail from factories in China.

Fentanyl is a reason why deadly overdoses from painkillers continue to climb in the U.S., reaching a record 18,893 in 2014, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. Fentanyl-related fatalities are soaring in many parts of New England, the Midwest and the South. In 12 states racked by the crisis, including New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Ohio, more than 5,500 people died of fentanyl-related overdoses between 2013 and 2015, according to data compiled by The Wall Street Journal. The figure likely is higher because only partial numbers are available for some years.

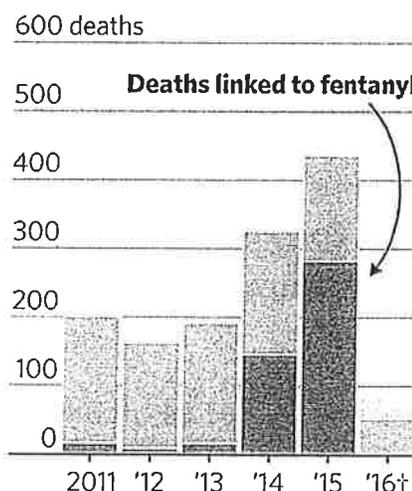
Deadly Drug

Fentanyl emerged as a major threat in 2014, sparking a sharp rise in fatal overdoses in many states, including New Hampshire.

Fentanyl seizures reported by forensic labs in the U.S.



New Hampshire overdose deaths



For Joel and Kathy Murphy, the downward spiral included disruption at work, marital strains and a trip through bankruptcy court—not to mention a family video that shows their son overdosing. Before it was over, Mr. Murphy was sleeping with a gun nearby.

The Murphys were living a solid, middle-class life in Manchester before trouble struck. Brawny, with glasses

and a thick, salt-and-pepper mustache, Mr. Murphy worked for years as an engineering assistant at a semiconductor-industry supply company. When the business relocated in 2008, he resigned, feeling his family was too rooted in New England to follow. He found a job cleaning cars for a funeral home, then moved up to managing the crematory. His wife worked as a secretary in a Manchester medical office for 18 years.

The couple dutifully saved for retirement and raised three children. Framed pictures of the children and grandchildren hang on the wall in the small living

*2015 figures are half-year

†Through May 2; figures may grow, due to cases still pending toxicology

Sources: Drug Enforcement Administration obtained via FOIA (seizures); New Hampshire's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (deaths)

room of their four-bedroom home. Joel had fond memories of the family outings to the beach or camping, and of the children playing in a pool out back of their home. Joseph was a “super, super little buddy,” the father said. “He was a happy-go-lucky little kid, always smiling,” he said, a “little pork chop.”



Joseph Murphy's family, including his parents, Kathy and Joel, fought to save him from his addiction.

After graduating from high school in 2009, Joseph took work at a local Wal-Mart, making \$9.75 an hour. He attended community college online for more than a year, aiming for a computer science degree, but dropped out after a disagreement with a teacher. At age 20, Joseph married Stephanie, a younger sister of his older brother's wife. The couple lived in the Murphy home to save money. Joseph worked as a licensed nursing assistant. Stephanie tended bar at a local pub.

Five-feet-seven-inches-tall, with a baby face, Joseph seemed to enjoy working with patients at the Villa Crest Nursing and Retirement Center, earning \$3 more per hour than he did at Wal-Mart. “He had a very soft demeanor and

compassion for people,” Kathy said. “I knew he would be great for a nurse.”

The summer after his high school graduation, a friend introduced him to 30-milligram Percocet pills.

“This is the greatest feeling in my life,” Joseph recalled thinking, after snorting his first Percocet. “I want this forever.”

Joseph explained the progression of his addiction in a series of interviews with *The Wall Street Journal* beginning in January. For a while he snorted half a pill every few days, but his habit steadily climbed. He worked his way up to 20 pills daily, 10 in the morning, 10 at night. Joseph eventually felt he needed most of the pills just to avoid feeling sick, and the others to get high.

Drugs were flooding into New Hampshire from places like Florida and were easy to find, Joseph said. At first Joseph bought from the friend who introduced him to Percocet, but “if he didn’t have ’em, I had three other people I could call.”



Manchester, N.H., where fentanyl-related fatalities are soaring.

This was the era when Florida was filled with “pill mills”—pain clinics where opioid painkillers were easy to acquire, fueling an illicit trade across the U.S. Florida started beefing up its fight against pill mills in 2011, and by around 2013, Joseph was feeling the effects in New Hampshire. Dealers could still get pills

from New York, but there were “dry spells,” he said, and the price per pill rose. His costs soared as high as \$600 a day. Joseph sold drugs himself to finance the habit.

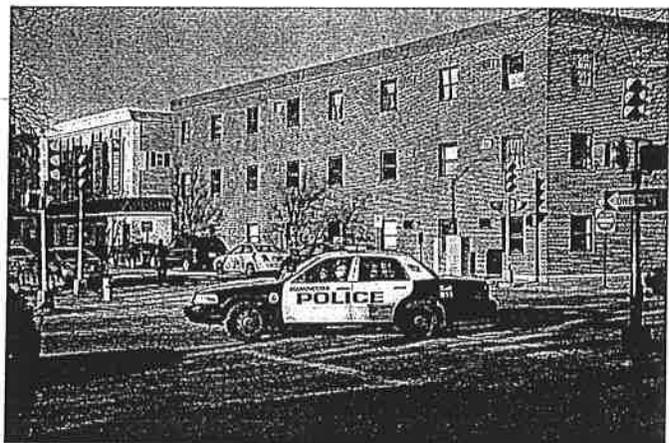
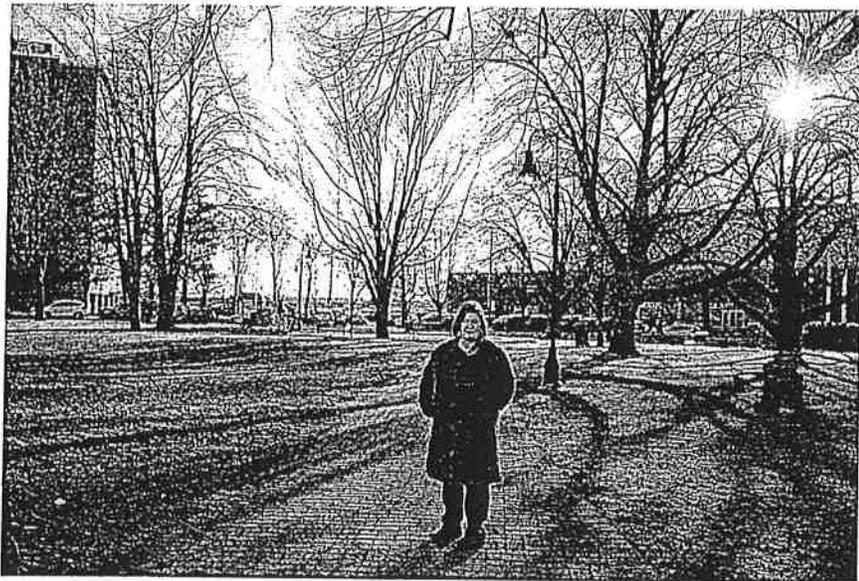
His addiction followed a common track. In roughly late 2013, an acquaintance suggested heroin, which by then was easier to buy in New Hampshire than marijuana, according to Joseph and other users. His daily expenses dropped to about \$100 at first.

Joseph always snorted heroin rather than injecting it. “I don’t like needles,” he said. “I hate ’em.” He also started smoking crack.

Joseph said he was likely snorting fentanyl with the heroin for a long time. By mid-2015, however, he was seeking out fentanyl exclusively. He learned to recognize the drug’s sweet taste and distinctive effects, and had a friend who sold it straight. The powdery drug triggered a drowsier effect than heroin, which Joseph liked, and the intense high was also shorter—about three or four hours, according to Joseph and other users. That appeals to dealers, since heroin can last about twice as long, Joseph said.

The synthetic painkiller was created in the 1960s and first used as an anesthetic. Pharmaceutical companies including Alza Corp. and Cephalon Inc. later produced versions to treat people with severe pain, such as cancer patients, who can take the drug as a lozenge or skin patch. Fentanyl has been listed as a Schedule II narcotic, like OxyContin, since passage of the Controlled Substances Act in 1970, meaning it has a high potential for abuse and addiction.

Driving today’s fentanyl outbreak is a pursuit of profit. A Mexican drug cartel can buy a kilogram of illegal fentanyl from China for \$3,000 to \$5,000, significantly less than the cost of producing heroin, according to Rusty Payne, a spokesman for the Drug Enforcement Administration. The cartel can then sell that wholesale to U.S. buyers for about the same price as heroin, if not more. In the established distribution hub of Lawrence, Mass., for instance, where heroin costs about \$70,000 a kilogram, fentanyl runs about \$90,000, according to the DEA.



Kathy Murphy used to search drug-riddled parts of Manchester looking for her son.

As fentanyl moves down the supply chain, dealers cash in as well. Because the drug is so much more potent than heroin, a \$90,000 supply can be more aggressively diluted with cutting agents such as powdered sugar or over-the-counter sleep aids, generating 10 to 20 kilograms of product. Dealers sometimes add fentanyl to a batch of heroin, making it more potent and appealing to addicts, or they sell it straight.

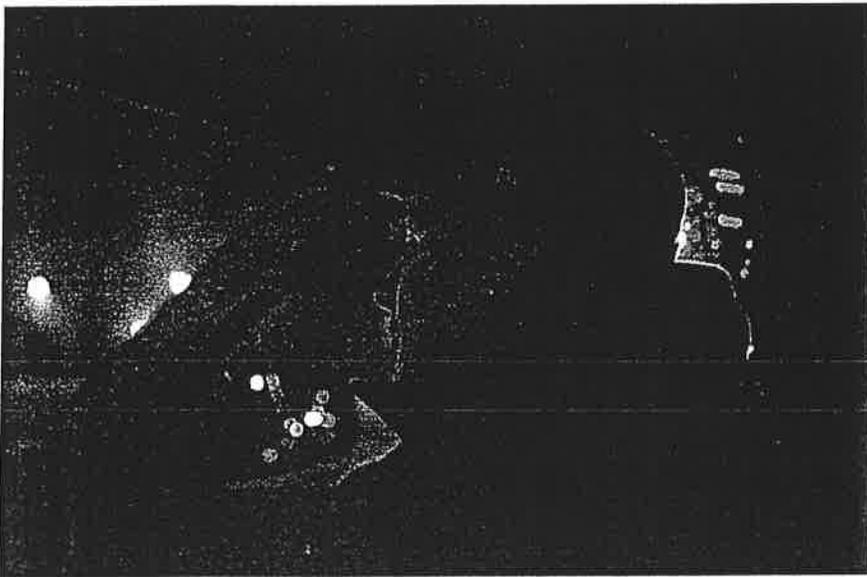
Either way, “the return on investment with fentanyl is significantly more,” said Timothy Plancon, special agent in charge of the DEA’s Detroit division. In Ohio, the price of heroin runs \$150 to \$160 per gram, compared with \$100 to \$120 for fentanyl, say addicts. At those rates, a \$90,000 supply of fentanyl diluted to make 10 kilograms would yield more than \$1 million in sales.

A sprinkle of 2 milligrams—the weight of about six grains of salt—can be lethal and kill so quickly that first responders frequently find victims with needles

still stuck in their arms.

“That’s really the madness of it,” said Dr. Garry Thrasher, medical director at the ADM Crisis Center, a detoxification facility in Akron that admits three to five patients a day, many hooked on fentanyl. Some users “don’t know what they’re taking.”

In some areas at the leading edge of the crisis—including Rhode Island and Summit County, Ohio, which includes Akron—fentanyl-related fatalities significantly outnumbered heroin-related deaths by 2015. In New Hampshire, statewide deaths linked to fentanyl totaled at least 283 in 2015, compared with 88 tied to heroin (with 43 involving use of both).



Joseph Murphy goes for a drive with his mother to rent a movie and pick up ice cream.

By the time Joseph started using, bootleg fentanyl was readily available. Joseph said his supply seemed to be flowing into New Hampshire from nearby Lawrence. He sometimes made the 30-minute drive to that city to buy drugs, lured by cheaper prices but wary of the risks transporting drugs across state lines.

“I was never afraid of dying using fentanyl—ever,” he said. “It couldn’t happen to me, I was Superman.”

Testifying before Congress in January, Manchester Police Chief Nick Willard

called the increase in fentanyl overdose deaths in the city “staggering.” “Fentanyl is what’s killing our citizens,” he said. “Not only is it taking lives, it’s deteriorating communities, devastating families and leaving children without parents.”

Joel suspected his son might have been using drugs. Joseph stayed out all night and was “bouncing off the wall,” Joel recalled. “You could tell he’s high.” Then he discovered crack pipes in the house.

By spring 2014, Joseph became more aggressive. “Everything was about him,” recalled his mother Kathy. He took their cars without asking, purloined their ATM cards, and showed up at Kathy’s office at the pediatric department in the Dartmouth-Hitchcock clinic, demanding money.

The son Joel once considered a friend was now like a stranger. The house was filled with constant screaming and fighting, sometimes spilling outside. Joel thought they should cut Joseph off. “He’s raping the family,” Joel said. He feared gangs would come to their home to kill them, their grandchildren, or Joseph himself. He began sleeping with his .45 caliber pistol nearby and his wallet in his pillow case to keep it safe from “that prick,” Joseph.

Kathy wouldn’t give up on “Joey.” “How do you turn your back on your kid when your kid is hurting?” she said. “Addiction is in the brain. It’s not something they choose.”

She and her daughter-in-law would sometimes patrol Manchester’s rough neighborhoods at night, watching for Joseph to emerge from one of the “trap houses” where users and dealers congregate. Kathy began calling Joseph “Jay,” his street name, when he was high.

The struggle drew a wedge between the parents. Joel was adamant Kathy stop giving their son money. She feared she would lose him. Joel already felt they had. “I didn’t think he was coming back,” he said.

Joseph’s often-creative threats were also hard to resist, said Kerri Galante, his older sister. She said she met Joseph at a bank in 2014 to give him money,



Joseph watches television on a Sunday afternoon with his wife, Stephanie.

frightened after he called and claimed he was being held, blindfolded. “They needed X amount of money or they were going to blow his brains out,” Kerri recalled her brother saying.

On Oct. 8, 2014, Joseph called Kathy at work, demanding

money and threatening to show up. “I will make a scene,” he told his mom. Kathy told Joseph to meet her at home at noon instead. She called Joel to come, too.

When Kathy drove up to the home, Joseph approached the minivan. “Open the window. Get out of the car. I need that money, I need that money,” he said, she later recalled.

After Joel arrived, he slammed his son onto the kitchen floor, holding him as he tried to squirm away. Kathy called the police, who showed up in 15 minutes and escorted Joseph from the house. The parents told their son they had a restraining order against him.

Joseph slept in his car, crashing on couches at trap houses and at his aunt’s place. On Oct. 26, he was arrested for crack possession after two Manchester police pulled him over, with three passengers, when the Honda Accord he was driving failed to stop completely at a sign.

Around 10:30 p.m., following his release, Joseph called Kathy asking for food. “I’m starving,” he said. She couldn’t go out at that hour, she said, and promised take him for groceries the next day.

Just after midnight, Joseph tried to break in to a cleaning-supplies establishment that he thought was a convenience store. He seemed “extremely intoxicated by alcohol and or drugs” and “unsteady on his feet,” according to the police report. He had a winter boot on one foot, and a woman’s slipper on the other.

“Man Arrested Twice Within 8 Hours” one headline read. “Hungry prowler charged just hours after arrest for drug possession,” a local news site wrote. There was a mug shot of Joseph, gaunt with a hollow look in his eyes, his dark hair clipped short.

“It’s just degrading,” Joel said, recalling when co-workers saw the news. After his mother and wife bailed him out, Joseph was back in the Murphy house.



Joseph's wife, Stephanie, cuts his hair while his parents go over bills at home.

In March 2015, Joseph survived an overdose of what he believes to be fentanyl-laced heroin outside The Wild Rover, where Stephanie tended bar. His legal problems hung over his head as he tried, and failed, at rehab. The cost of his habit reached at least \$400 a day for five to six grams of fentanyl. He raided the family savings by swiping his mother’s debit card.

The Murphys had to get by some days eating crackers and peanut butter, Kathy said. They had nothing left to give.

“There was no more money other than the house and it was coming down to that,” Joel said. Twice, Joel went to buy food with a debit card and was told

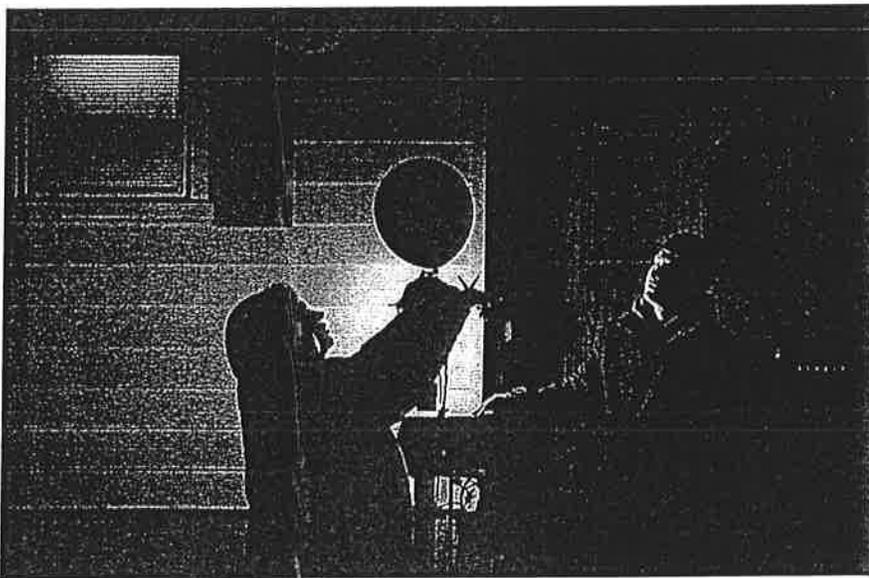
“Sorry sir, there’s no money in your account.” “I just put \$1,200 in yesterday,” Joel responded once. “I was embarrassed so bad,” he recalled.

In September, he and Kathy filed for chapter 13 bankruptcy protection. Joel and Kathy estimate they lost roughly \$200,000 overall, including funds they gave Joseph and money he stole. Roughly half of the total came from retirement savings.

“There was definitely times when I thought our whole family was going to crumble,” Joseph’s sister Kerri said.

That Thanksgiving, Joseph told Kathy he wasn’t feeling well and wouldn’t join the family dinner. In their Cavalier on the way to their daughter’s house, Kathy was upset.

“You act like you don’t even care,” she said she told Joel, crying. Joel grabbed her hand, with tears welling. “Don’t you think I love him and want him to get better?”



Joseph and his mother, Kathy, free black balloons in their front yard symbolizing support for recovering addicts.

On Jan. 5, Joseph was released from jail after serving more than a month for his 2014 burglary attempt. He picked up a \$20 fentanyl bag downtown, sneaking away from his wife to get it from a source he had called in advance. He and

Stephanie grabbed a rental movie and some ice cream at a Hannaford supermarket.

In the supermarket bathroom, he snorted the powder. Minutes later, he crouched outside a storm door of the family home in a black pea coat, moaning incoherently. He went silent and face-planted into the door—a scene Stephanie captured on her phone’s video, something the family often did to show Joseph how he acted when he was high.

She bawled in the driveway, fearing he wouldn’t survive. “Please don’t take him this way,” she said.

The ambulance crew had naloxone, a drug that displaces opioids from their receptors in the brain. The first responders sprayed it up Joseph’s nose, twice, reviving him.

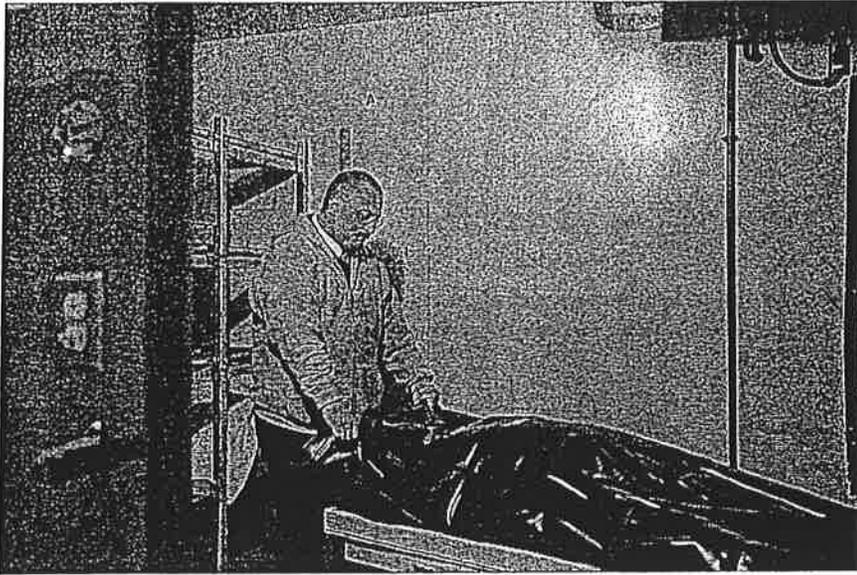
For Joseph, one of the most profound moments was when, as he remembers it, his rescuers called him a “junkie.” He lashed out at them. “I said ‘I have nothing to say to you.’ ”

Joseph didn’t remember much about what happened next, but he did recall the bag of fentanyl he had placed in his shoe. He snorted and passed out again. Then on Jan. 12, Joseph used crack and fentanyl again.

Working for the funeral home in Manchester, Joel pulled the deceased addicts from their “nests” where Joel figured they went to get high. The messy rooms, littered with candy wrappers, were just like Joseph’s bedroom in the white, Cape Cod-style family home.

At work one day, Joel encountered a woman whose son, in his 20s, had just died from an overdose. As they shared stories, Joel put his arm around her and squeezed her. “I feel the pain,” he said.

Joel and Kathy understood a moment might come when Joel would haul Joseph’s corpse away in the funeral van. “It really would have killed him if he picked up a body and it happened to be his son,” Kathy said of Joel. “It could



Joel Murphy, Joseph's father, pulls a body from the freezer at the crematory where he works. The funeral home is increasing capacity to keep up with a growing number of deaths.

happen any day, any minute, any time. What did I think about it? I tried not to," Joel said.

Joseph had begun to think about going back into treatment. He waited for a slot to open at the Farnum Center near his home, and on Jan. 26 he checked in for the second time. "Some of us want to die because we don't want to live with this disease anymore," he said in late January, while at Farnum.

After three weeks, Joseph decided he could leave. He returned to the Murphy home. The urge to return to fentanyl is less frequent, Joseph said while he recovered, "but it's strong."

By mid-May, Joseph reached 120 drug-free days. He gained at least 60 pounds. He began to think about returning to school for computer science or heating and cooling work, and about saving up for a home with Stephanie. "I'm choosing to believe that he's being serious" about his desire to recover, Stephanie said.

Joel approached reconciliation cautiously. He was proud of his son's recovery and welcomed him home, willing to give him another chance. It would be the last chance, he cautioned.

“He can’t relapse,” Joel said, in an interview on St. Patrick’s Day. “I told him ‘If you relapse, go.’”

But he was also glad to have the son he remembered home. “Everybody is trying to bond back together,” Joel said. “It’s all turning around now.”

Joseph turned 25 last month.



Out of rehab, Joseph sits in his parents' living room with a coffee early one Sunday morning.

Hooked: One Family’s Ordeal With Fentanyl

By JON KAMP and

ARIAN CAMPO-FLORES | Photographs by Kieran Kesner for The Wall Street Journal

May 13, 2016 12:48 p.m. ET

PS 15.

Winnie, Carly

From: Jnoble <jnoble39@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2016 7:53 PM
To: Winnie, Carly
Subject: Fwd: Revising onstreet overnight parking code

Carly, Please add to the PS Committee communications. Thank you . Jim

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Deborah Brown <djbrown72@hotmail.com>
Date: April 27, 2016 at 2:26:42 PM EDT
To: jim noble <jnoble39@aol.com>, "jnoble@kingston-ny.gov" <jnoble@kingston-ny.gov>
Cc: Dan Gartenstein <dgiii@earthlink.net>, "kbryant@kingston-ny.gov" <kbryant@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: Revising onstreet overnight parking code

Hi Jim,

I am asking for a revision/addition of code 390-77-A in the City Charter. Currently as written in the code there is confusion as to what constitutes a commercial vehicle. In particular, buses. Presently on several streets in the City of Kingston there are commercial buses(school buses) parked overnight on residential streets in the city taking up space for homeowners or renters parking spots. In some cases they are blocking the view of a nearby intersection or homeowners with driveways unable to see getting out of their driveways. On one street it is hard for cars to get by and when they move into other lanes to pass they cannot see due to the height and width of the buses. The buses in question are the yellow mini buses which are under 25 ft. On several streets there are two buses parked back to back on the street. In addition, the residents feel that with these buses parked on their residential streets it devalues their own property values and the residential feel to the neighborhood is lessened.

The owner of the bus company has been politely asked by our city enforcement officers and KPD to remove their buses from the street but has not done so. It appears that employees drive the buses home at night to use the following day for work. This allows the bus company to avoid using their own commercial bus lot and it was rumored he does not have enough room on his lot. Not knowing where the business is headquartered I cannot validate that rumor. But no matter, they should not use the city streets as their private parking lots.

The other buses that operate in the city have their own lots and do not have their employees taking buses home at night.

Thank you for your consideration and please send to the appropriate committee.

deb brown
ward 9
Minority Leader

CITY OF KINGSTON
420 BROADWAY
KINGSTON, NEW YORK 12401



MEMORANDUM

April 29, 2016

TO: Deputy Chief Tom Tiano, BSD
FROM: Donna Brady, Sr. Clerk, Planning *DB*
RE: 115 Abeel Street
SBL # 56.43-2-29.120

It has been brought to our attention that the owner of the above referenced property is currently seeking new mailing addresses, as well as Certificate of Occupancy for this property. According to our files Mr. Stefan Bohdanowycz is the current property owner. This structure presently is recorded as having 2 newly renovated apartments over a commercial space. It was required to have a Special Permit to establish and maintain a mixed use building in the RT Zone approved by the Planning Board on 2/13/12, however, that permit expired on 8/13/12 and has not been renewed or re-instated. According to our file the use of the property has ceased and desisted as of October 4, 2012. The status of this property was forwarded to Chief Reinhardt, KFD and Andrew Zweben, Corporation Counsel to look into this matter and take appropriate action necessary. I have attached a copy of the previous letters sent.

Therefore, we are requesting that this matter be again reviewed and any necessary actions be undertaken to bring the property into compliance with our Code. Mr. Bohdanowycz must be advised immediately of the necessary application that has to be filed and approved by the Planning Board to resume operation.

If you have any further questions, please contact our office.

Thank you.

Cc: Kevin Bryant, Corporation Counsel
S. Noble, Mayor
S. Schabot, Ald Ward 8

file copy

CITY OF KINGSTON
420 BROADWAY
KINGSTON, NEW YORK 12401



MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 8, 2012

TO: Chief John Reinhardt, KFD
Andrew Zweben, Corporation Counsel

FROM: Suzanne Cahill, Planning Director *[Signature]*

RE: Special Permit -115 Abeel Street

This memo is to inform you as to the status of the property referenced above.

115 Abeel Street

SBL #56.43-2-29.120

Special Permit renewal to re-establish a mixed use building in the RT zone.

Property Owner/ Applicant – Stefan Bohdanowtcz

Special Permit expired on 08/13/12

First Letter Notice sent – 06/05/12

Second Letter Notice sent – 08/14/12

Certified Letter sent 10/04/12. Received back unclaimed to the Planning Office.

Attached you will find a copies of each of the letters sent. The final Certified Letter states that it serves as a notice that the use of the property must cease and desist and a new application would need to be filed and approved to resume operation. As of the above date, our office has not heard from the owners/ applicants.

Please look into this matter and take the appropriate actions necessary.

If you have any questions please contact our office.

cc: Mayor Shayne R. Gallo
Deputy Chief James Brunner, BSD

CITY OF KINGSTON
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KINGSTON, NEW YORK 12401



October 4, 2012

CERTIFIED MAIL # 7002 3150 0003 9652 4052

Stefan Bohdanowycz
21-65 23rd Street
Astoria, NY 11105

Re: # 115 Abeel Street SPECIAL PERMIT renewal to re-establish a mixed use building in the RT Zone.

Dear Applicant:

This letter is to advise you that all attempts to contact you, Stefan Bohdanowycz, applicant of record, regarding the renewal of a Special Permit renewal to re-establish a mixed use building in the RT Zone, at 115 Abeel Street, have been unsuccessful. You are advised that the special permit expired on August 13, 2012. Since this office has not received a response from our previous renewal notices to the applicant of record, this letter will serve as a notice to you that the use must cease and desist. To resume operation, a new application will need to be filed and approved. By copy on this letter the Building Safety Division and Corporation Counsel Office are requested to take any necessary action to enforced zoning.

You may contact this office at (845) 334-3954 with any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kyla Haber by JB

Kyla Haber
Assistant Planner

cc: Deputy Chief James Brunner, BSD
Andrew Zweben, Corp. Counsel

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Sent To: *Stefan Bohdanowycz*
Street, Apt. No., or PO Box No. *21-65 23rd Street*
City, State, ZIP+4 *Astoria NY 11105*

PS Form 3800, June 2007 See Reverse for Instructions

Office of Planning, City Hall, 420 Broadway, Kingston, New York 12401
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****2nd Notice****

August 14, 2012

Stefan Bohdanowycz
21-65 23rd Street
Astoria, NY 11105

Re: #115 Abeel Street SPECIAL PERMIT renewal to re-establish a mixed use building in the RT Zone.

Dear Applicant:

This letter is to advise you that the above referenced special permit has expired on August 13, 2012. The next filing date is August 22, 2012 for the September 10, 2012 Planning Board meeting. Please complete and return the enclosed application along with the \$35.00 renewal fee to this office. Applications that are not complete WILL NOT be accepted for placement on the next Planning Board meeting agenda. To complete your application, please refer to the "Planning Board Application Checklist" form on the back of the attached application.

"You are hereby advised that you are responsible to file a complete application to renew the special permit, with the Planning Office, prior to the noted expiration date. If you do not do this, the permit will be deemed to be expired, the use must cease operation, and you will be required to re-submit as if it were an original application to the Board, including all supporting documentation and fees."

Any changes in the circumstances of the permit should be so noted in the renewal application. The Building Safety Division will need to inspect your property as part of the renewal process. Please contact their office at (845) 331-1217 to arrange for an inspection. Please complete and return the enclosed application along with the \$35.00 renewal fee to this office.

If there are any questions, please contact this office at (845) 334-3955. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kyla Haber
Planning Assistant

cc: Deputy Chief James Brunner, BSD

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June 5, 2012

Stefan Bohdanowycz
21-65 23rd Street
Astoria, NY 11105

Re: #115 Abeel Street SPECIAL PERMIT renewal to re-establish a mixed use building in the RT Zone.

Dear Applicant:

This letter is to advise you that the above referenced special permit is due to expire on August 13, 2012. The next filing date is June 20, 2012 for the July 9, 2012 Planning Board meeting. Please complete and return the enclosed application along with the \$35.00 renewal fee to this office. Applications that are not complete WILL NOT be accepted for placement on the next Planning Board meeting agenda. To complete your application, please refer to the "Planning Board Application Checklist" form on the back of the attached application.

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Sincerely,

Kyla Haber by JB
Kyla Haber
Planning Assistant

Cc: Deputy Chief James Brunner, BSD

CITY OF KINGSTON
Office of the Mayor
mayor@kingston-ny.gov

Steven T. Noble
Mayor



May 2, 2016

Honorable James Noble, President
City of Kingston Common Council
420 Broadway
Kingston, N.Y. 12402

Dear President Noble,

It is with great ambition and desire to continue to build public trust that my office is embarking on the first draft of a proposed Open Government Policy for consideration by the Common Council. This policy will be based on the principles of enhancing transparency, and thereby civic access; increasing public input, and thereby civic engagement; and promoting open and constructive dialogues, and thereby civic involvement. The proposed policy will include specific tools for implementation, as well as measurable outcomes and deliverables to ensure that this policy is put to work, evaluated for efficacy, and revised when necessary.

I respectfully request to have a preliminary draft of this policy considered for review at the appropriate May committee meeting. A member of my staff will distribute a draft version of this policy for the committee members prior to that meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Noble
Mayor

Sills, Dee

From: Winnie, Carly
Sent: Monday, May 02, 2016 5:06 PM
To: Sills, Dee
Subject: Fwd: Handicapped Parking Sign Removal

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jnoble <jnoble39@aol.com>
Date: May 2, 2016 at 1:47:37 PM EDT
To: Carly Winnie <cwinnie@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Handicapped Parking Sign Removal

Carly ,Please add to the P S Committee. Thank you. Jim

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "STEVEN SCHABOT" <sschabot@hvc.rr.com>
Date: May 2, 2016 at 11:47:37 AM EDT
To: "James Noble" <jnoble39@aol.com>
Subject: Handicapped Parking Sign Removal

There is a handicapped space in front of 47-49 Wurts Street that can be removed. The permit holder is deceased.
Thanks
Steve

Handicapped Parking issued prior to 2012

29 Abbey Street
109 Abeel Street
25 Adams St
14 Alcazar Ave
24 Andrew St
124 Andrew St
18 Belvedere St
18 Brewster St
58 Brewster St
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526 Broadway
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65 Cedar St
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12 Center St
75 Clifton Ave
326 Clifton Ave
88 Clinton Ave
108 Clinton Ave
193 Clinton Ave
14 Derrenbacher St
68 Downs St
117 Downs St
146 Downs St
173 Downs St
219 East Chester St
62 Elmendorf St
68 Elmendorf St
88 Elmendorf St
173 Elmendorf St
42 Wall St
93 Fair St
260 Fair St
79 Fairview Ave
45 Foxhall Ave
240 Foxhall Ave
56-58 Franklin St
84 Franklin St
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34 Gage St
86 Gage St

127 Pine St
145 Pine St
38 Ponckhockie St
32 Progress St
49 Ravine St
9-11 Russell St
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39 Sterling St
47 Sycamore St
3 Teller St
37 Third Ave
265 Third Ave
164 Tremper Ave
57 Tubby St
33 VanBuren St
56 VanDeusen St
109 Wall St
5 Walnut St
345 Washington Ave
347 Washington Ave
48 West O'Reilly St
112 West Pierpont St
77 West Union St
49 Wurts St
102 Wurts St