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Sent: 5/4/2022 7:15:12 PM
To: Samantha Booth <sbooth@ashevillenc.gov>
Cc:
Subject: Re: Citizen Times RE: Aston Park defendants
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Thanks for letting me know.

Bill D

On Wed, May 4, 2022 at 7:10 PM Samantha Booth <sbooth@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:
FYI. I started answering these questions earlier today

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From: **D. Tyrell McGirt** <dtmcgirt@ashevillenc.gov>
Date: Wed, May 4, 2022 at 1:23 PM
Subject: Re: Citizen Times RE: Aston Park defendants
To: Kim Miller <kmiller2@ashevillenc.gov>, Christy Bass <cbass@ashevillenc.gov>
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Hey Kim. I have copied Christy Bass, John Maddux, Mike Lamb, and Sam DeGrave in this e-mail as they along with myself were a part of the process. Below are some answers to Sarah H.'s questions.

- Who led this process? City of Asheville Parks and Recreation
- Who issued the letters to the defendants and how many received them? Asheville Police Department / ??
- How many appeal hearings were there, for how many people? 10
- Is this a common practice in the city? Yes

I also provided feedback on the document you prepared. Thank you.

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On Wed, May 4, 2022 at 11:44 AM Kim Miller <kmiller2@ashevillenc.gov> wrote:
hi All

I've forwarded this to you so you know the Asheville Citizen Times is now looking at the story.

As Sarah mentioned in her email, CAPE has some information from when we addressed this with Asheville Free Press. I'll get at least informational bullet points in a shared document so we can review for any updates etc before I send an official response
I can expand that document out to whomever you wish

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From: **Honosky, Sarah** <SHonosky@citizentimes.com>
Date: Wed, May 4, 2022 at 11:34 AM
Subject: Citizen Times RE: Aston Park defendants
To: Kim Miller <kmiller2@ashevillenc.gov>

Hey Kim,

Thank you so much for setting up my conversation with Jade, it was great to catch up with him on all the city's sidewalk projects.

Bit of a different topic: I'm working on a story about the people charged with felony littering in connection with the Aston Park protests. I understand they went through an appeals process, and saw some info attributed to you in an Asheville Free Press story.

I wanted to follow up on this as well. Who led this process? Who issued the letters to the defendants and how many received them? How many appeal hearings were there, for how many people? Is this a common practice in the city?

Could I also get a copy of the Administrative Policy on Restricted Access to City Parks?

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