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Hi All,

I am attaching a few documents. One is a copy of a Restricted Access Notice that a young lady and her mother brought to the 4th floor last week. The handwritten notes on it are mine.

I asked them to sit in the lobby while I called APD to try to figure out what they needed to do. ADP suggested they go to the Magistrate's office. The Magistrate's office told them that the appeal letter needed to be handled through Parks or Police.

I called APD again today. They gave me the contact number for Community Connect and suggested maybe they could help. I spoke with a Sargent there. He was the person who mailed out these letters to a group of persons. He was given the list of whom to mail these letters to from a City detective. Evidently this Felony littering occurred at Aston Park in December. The Sargent suggested Parks may want to contact our legal department to see if there has been a process in the past for appeals of this type.

Another young lady came in this morning and was at a loss. She had not been arrested or cited for anything. She did not understand why she was mailed this letter. She was concerned because today was the deadline to submit a written appeal. She had just received the letter in the mail and no way was she going to be able to get a written appeal through the mail to the Parks & Recreation Director by today. I suggested she email her request to parks inbox as a written appeal, following the directions on the letter in order to meet the deadline. She asked if she could share the suggestion with others who had received the same letter.

I have received six emails so far.

I have emailed Park Warden Keith Whittington to see if he knows anything about this process, or these actions. I had a caller earlier, calling for a homeless person who does not have access to email or postal mail who wanted to speak to Keith the Park Warden to apologize for being disrespectful to him, and he needed to talk to him today. Not sure if it is about the same issue or not.

When I worked here a few years ago, I remember Roderick not appealing anyone. He supported Asheville Police in their actions.

I do not know anymore about this process. Please let me know how I can further assist everyone involved.

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