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1- Personal safety of a single women walking (even with her 165lb dog) from West down Queen to Henry/Patrick. In the past 6 months, there has been a visibly significant increase in people loitering on and in the street, with a complete disregard to traffic laws and/or public or private property.

2- Inability to use parks and other open areas that were paid for by neighborhood real estate taxes, due to the types of people who congregate around the parks. There is a fear to take nieces/nephews or any other small children because of what they will be exposed to (i.e. language, graphic images, public urination, spitting, exposure, etc)

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Comments: Consistent increases in taxes while there have been some properties (specifically 317 N West ST) which have been allowed to remain in complete disrepair while other properties are cited for installing window boxes.

The property located at 317 N West St has been a constant issue/eyesore for

the entire neighborhood. Currently the backyard is used as a dumping ground, the back of the house was boarded up with plywood for over 10 months ago, without approval from the BAR for removing windows/doors, this plywood is now moldy and rotten. There are numerous vermin living in the house. The police have had to make continual inspections to the property due to the fact that it is suspected that people are entering the house. And local area teenagers use the backyard for illegal activities (specifically for drug use- the police have been called).