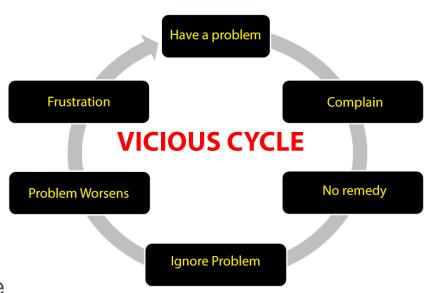


Commerce Development Committee

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Commerce Development Committee

- Presentation Intent
 - Goals
 - Unified Awareness
 - Improved Quality of Life
- Presentation Overview
 - Challenges facing Coram
 - Solutions
- Overall philosophy
 - Revitalization through commerce
 - Public accountability
 - Utilitarian focus





What specifically is a problem?

- Vagrancy
 - Definition
 - Public alcohol intoxication
 - Public alcohol consumption
 - Prostitution (human trafficking)
 - Drug dealing/abuse
 - Public urination/defecation
 - Theft of commercial property
- Littering and dumping
- Fire hazards
- Illegal multi-family residential housing
- Vacant and dilapidated buildings

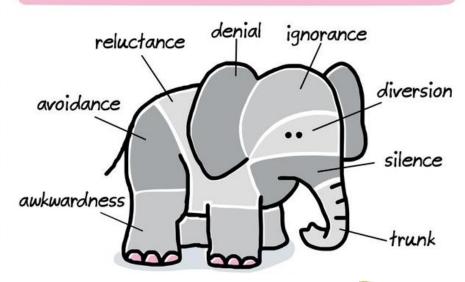




Problems which are given NO attention

- Dilapidated buildings
 - Appearance
 - Attraction of criminal activity
- Zoning violations
 - Zoning board special permits
 - Illegal rentals
 - Illegal single room occupancy
 - Dumpsters
 - Signage
- Phony charitable organizations
 - Clothing donation bins
- Liquor license abuse
 - Sale to visibly intoxicated
 - License as grocery store
- Unlawful assembly

PARTS OF THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM





Which Laws?



These Laws

- Alcohol
 - o TOB §3
 - NYS ABC §65
- Prostitution, Public Urination & Defecation
 - NYS §230, §245
 - TOB §88, §49B
- Drugs
 - NYS §230, §245
 - TOB §88, §49B
 - Suffolk County §420

- Illegal Renting
 - TOB §82, §85-109A
 - Suffolk County §483
- Zoning Violations
 - TOB §85
- Littering and Dumping
 - TOB §85
- Shopping Cart Theft
 - NYS §399-Q



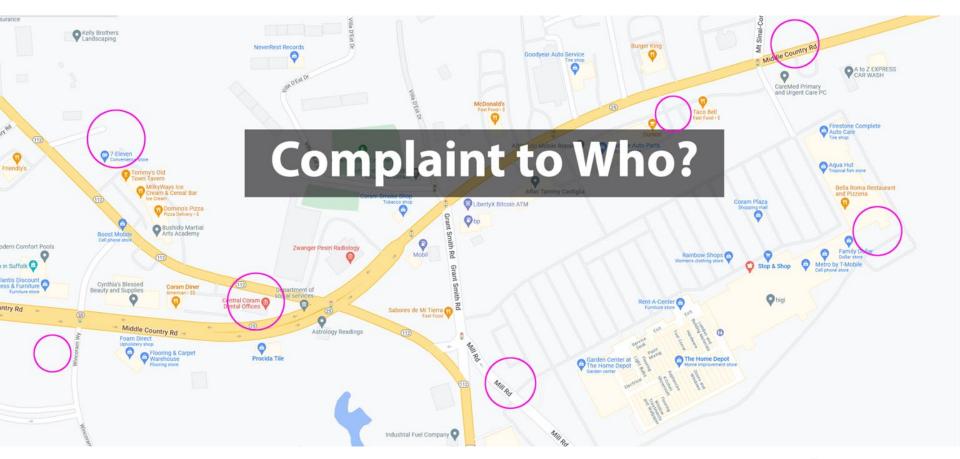
How our Community Feels

- Online Reviews
 - Niche
 - Google
 - Social Media
- In-Person
 - General perception
- Coram Survey
 - Methods
 - Results

Town Council	Suffolk Legislature	6th Precinct
27% confidence	24% confidence	31% don't feel safe
33% complained	33% complained	52% kind of safe
65% dissatisfied	71% dissatisfied	16% very safe

Coram Plaza			
89% Dissatisfied	74% Shop there 26% Avoid	84% Approached by vagrants	
92% uncomfortable with bus stop	85% want bus stop moved away	88% want new legislation to protect citizens against vagrancy	











More Reasons Why...

- "There is nothing we can do."
- "The law is against us."
- Affidavit of Trespass
- "Did you call. . ."
- "It's not so bad"
- "It used to be worse . . . "
- "We can't . . . "
- "I'm confused. I don't know what to do!"







Public Accountability

- Personal accountability
 - Bystander effect
 - Recognition of limits
 - Cognitive dissonance
 - Reality check
- Complaints
 - Complaint driven systems
 - Duty to complain
- Barriers
 - Common pitfalls
 - Pushback
- Accountability to Elected Officials
 - Prosecutorial discretion
 - Vigilantism in response to inaction

YOUR GENEROSITY COULD LEAD TO A FATALITY

PLEASE DONATE TO A LOCAL CHARITY

- NEW HORIZONS for NH
 199 Manchester St (603)668-1877
- CHILD & FAMILY SERVICES
 464 Chestnut St (603)668-1920
- FAMILIES IN TRANSITION (FIT)
 122 Market St (603)641-9441

Visit any Fire Station to get connected to recovery services NH Homeless Hotline DIAL 2-1-1



How to complain. . . effectively!

Document

- Pictures
- Videos
- Audio recording
- Attention to detail
 - Track patterns
 - Date/Time
 - Location
 - Description of event
- Modality
 - Written complaint
 - Avoid social media/phone





Be meticulous

Elevate your complaint

- Written statement
 - Cite laws by code
- FOIL Requests
 - o TOB
 - Suffolk County
 - Suffolk Police
- Coram Civic Association forms
 - Blighted property checklist
- Legal complaints





Don't think you can do all of that?









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WWW.IMPROVECORAM.COM

Less than 2 minutes to report a concern. We will file the complaint.

