Subject: FW: environmental commission

From: Stephen Colby Brown

Date: July 27, 2022 at 11:52:34 AM EDT

To: Chris Vanden Broek

Cc: Rita Mitchell

Subject: Re: environmental commission

Dear Chris,

Thanks for all you've done so far, and you will be missed. I hope you regain your health and energies, and enjoy your sojourns in New Haven.

For my part, I'll be leading the Trash Talk Bike Tour on Sept. 18 again. You did a great job last year, and I'm looking forward especially to that site visit. I guess your resignation is immediate? If so, we'll start finding your replacement. Please suggest anyone you think would be interested and be in a position to make a contribution, and we'll all encourage them to apply.

Best Wishes,

Steve

Stephen C Brown

"Hope is not a lottery ticket you can sit on the sofa and clutch, feeling lucky. It is an axe you break down doors with in an emergency. Hope should shove you out the door, because it will take everything you have to steer the future away from endless war, from the annihilation of the earth's treasures and the grinding down of the poor and marginal... To hope is to give yourself to the future - and that commitment to the future is what makes the present inhabitable." Rebecca Solnit

On Jul 27, 2022, at 11:07 AM, Chris Vanden Broek

wrote:

Dear Steve and Rita

It is with regret that I must resign from the Environmental Council. I have been struggling a bit with health issues, so am trying to pull back from some activities. My wife Deborah and I are also setting up another residence in New Haven CT and we expect to be absent a good portion of the coming year. I remain committed to the cause; what energies and time I have will be applied to the Trash Talk Tour again this year with a focus on composting. I remain hopeful for 2023 and beyond if we all work together as best we can.

I have enjoyed our work together and look forward to reading of the council's accomplishments. Thank you for the work you do and for your leadership.

best,

Chris Vandenbroek