

C/O Mr. Jared Flick
La Crosse City Hall 1st Floor
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Dear Members of the Parks Board:

I am writing this letter as per the conversation I had with Mr. Flick, to request to have a proposal reviewed. I would like to personally present the problem and the proposed solution at your board meeting. I would need about 10-12 minutes to make the presentation and any extra time to answer questions. I have attached a copy of the problem and the proposal for consideration, if time wouldn't allow me to present it.

The problem, simply stated, is this: "... men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil." John 3:19 In the last 35 years, The United States has endured 98 mass shootings! The criteria used to establish this figure are 3 or more deaths caused by an unrelated shooter and excluding the death of the shooter. If you change the criteria to 3 or more people killed or wounded, the total escalates to 154 mass shootings in the first 6 months of 2017. [From 1/1/2017 – 6/14/2017] This fact is appalling and should be of concern to every city in the United States! Police and Emergency Response Preparedness are important, but are merely damage control. The objective of the response team is to contain the shooter and minimize those harmed by the shooter. This seems to be damage control. Another suggestion is to control or remove guns, but guns are not the enemy the heart of the shooter is! What has changed in America? I believe the idea: there is no accountability to a higher power after we die has contributed to this disregard for human life. In 1859 Charles Darwin suggested: "there is no god or man has evolved and was not created." In 1925, the case of the scopes monkey trial brought about the theory becoming treated as fact and being taught in public schools. Then in 1962-63 two Supreme Court Decisions came about outlawing Prayer and the Bible from our public schools. Let's do the math, 55 years ago teaching creationism was replaced with evolution, and 35 years ago the mass shootings started. That means it took only 20 years, of teaching man is no more than an animal for us to act like an animal. Consider that America has 5% of the worlds' population and 31% of the worlds' mass shootings!

My Proposal is to return to the teachings that our country was founded on; freedom to worship. The city of La Crosse has an example of freedom to worship every Christmas in Riverside Park as the Lutheran Church Display the Story of Christmas. La Crosse also has an example of freedom from worship in Cameron Park as a fence was erected around the 10 commandments. There have been attempts to remove scripture from monuments, our capital in Washington D.C., and in God we trust from our currency, and One Nation Under God from the Pledge of Allegiance. This was never the directive of our founding fathers as the bill of rights states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." I would like to ask that the parks board would be willing to drop the current \$150/hour to reserve the stage in Riverside Park for July 28th-29th 2018. I believe our Founding Fathers Vision for America was: "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any People." Proverbs 14:34

I hope that as a city we can see that our current policy: "to minimize the damage done by a shooter" is important, but changing the heart of a potential shooter is vital to resolve the problem!

I didn't vote for President Trump and am not necessarily a Trump supporter, but I will offer a challenge he gave America: "Let's make America great again!" The only way this can be accomplished is if We, America, invite God back into it! I hope we don't just wait to be the next statistic. We don't want to be known as the city that had the most number of people killed in a mass shooting! The current number is 68 lives lost, and that is 68 too many! Please consider the suggestion as a plea to save America!

I have left Gods' calling card for each of the board members with the hopes we can spread this vision to other cities, communities, organizations like Boys and Girls clubs, YMCAs', YWCAs', or actually anyone who could influence the hearts of men!

Thank you for considering this proposal and please contact me at my address or home phone if I can be of help.

Thank you for your time,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mr. Ken Morris". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Mr. Ken Morris

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