TO: Occupy Bowling Green participants

SUBJECT: Order to remove tents, chairs, and other personal items

You are hereby directed to remove tents, tables, chairs, and other obstructions or items of property from the publicly owned area known as Community Commons no later than noon Thursday, December 1, 2011. The First Amendment protections of freedom of assembly and freedom of speech do not include a right to use public property as a storage area for personal property or belongings, nor do they allow such areas to become a person’s residence. City personnel will remove and dispose of items remaining after that deadline.

This order does not require the removal of persons from Community Commons. Occupy Bowling Green participants may stay as long as they like and continue to hand out information or hold signs or any other type of speech activity they wish to undertake, providing they comply with all other ordinances in effect, such as those pertaining to noise and litter.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF BOWLING GREEN