

Founding Guiding Principle: Public policymakers and the community must address the underlying issues of structural racism and its intersections with class, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, disabilities, and the political, economic and social structures that creates and perpetuate hunger, homelessness, the lack of decent affordable housing and disinvestment in neighborhoods of color

# TEMPORARY RESIDENTIAL SHELTER & TEMPORARY SHELTER FACILITIES [SAFE PARKING] FACT SHEET [as of 10/20/2020]

Set to be heard at City Council 10/27/2020

Proposed ordinance: Creates an administrative permit process during a declared Shelter Crisis - 2 components:

- Temporary shelter: not more than 24 people could be sleeping cabins, tents, park trailers or other types of emergency housing
- Temporary shelter facility: includes a Safe Parking Lot

## Temporary shelter facilities standards:

- Setbacks
- Paving
- Drainage
- Emergency access
- Drinking water
- Toilets [1 toilet for every 15 occupants]
- Lighting
- Garbage removal and sanitation
- Hours of operation/quiet hours [10 pm 6 am]
- Waiting area and common space
- On-site management requirements

# **Operational standards**

- Operation: curfew; storage of belongings including medicine; accessibility ADA compliant; non-discrimination/reasonable accommodations; transgender access; pets; drugs and alcohol use and possession [being under the influence on-site may not be the basis for discharge]; admission; denial and discharge policies; grievance and appeals; weapons prohibition policy; good neighbor policies
- Staffing: training for confidentiality protocols; first aid and CPR; crisis prevention; mental health issues; domestic violence; reasonable accommodation; overdose detection and response; diversity awareness
- Food service; meal schedules; food allergies; dining facilities; diversity awareness
- Facilities: building standards; fire safety; pest control and maintenance
- Support services: housing navigation, record keeping including participating in the Homeless Management Information System [HMIS operated by Sacramento Steps Forward] and transportation

### MOTION PASSED BY LAW & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE [9/29/2020]

#### Amendments to proposal for City Council 10/27/2020

- Changed distance from 300 feet to within 500 feet of a school etc
- Can not be within a ½ mile radius of existing sheltering services [shelters; HomeKey programs; COVID-19 motels etc] [Note- this is an attempt to essentially exempt the River District from siting these program]
- Reevaluate the program after 18 months

#### Additional concerns/issues raised by City Council members

- Needs a community notifications requirement
- Must provide a "minimal level of social services
- Clear criteria of "who gets into these shelters"
- Must have a length of stay requirement
- Proportionality perhaps a cap on how many can be sited into a city council district
- A "Code of Behavior" including no drugs/alcohol