# Interim Zoning Regulations Emergency Temporary Shelters

Planning and Development Services

City Council
Public Hearing
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## Ordinance No. 28432

- Emergency Interim Zoning Regulations
- Authority for City to site temporary emergency shelters
- Help mitigate ongoing suffering
- Provide for survival and safety needs
- Subsequent to Ordinance No. 28430 –
   Declared public health emergency

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## **Planning Commission Findings**

- Concurs with the City Council's findings
- Homeless encampments often create health and sanitation issues
- Current authority to site emergency shelters is limited
- Interim Regulations provide the City with broad authority to address the homelessness crisis
- Timeline for permanent regulations is not inline with a crisis response

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#### **Commission Recommendation**

- Interim Regulations are warranted and reasonable
- The approach supports the City's strategic goals
- Consistent with the Growth Management Act and the public interest
- Need to adopt permanent regulations to address ways to mitigate the issue of homelessness

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#### **Proposed Scope of Work**

- Create new or modify existing regulations for general emergency response authority
- Modify existing Temporary Homeless Camp regulations (Ordinance No. 28216)
- Consider other approaches to address long-term and broader issues surrounding serving and housing homeless individuals and families

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