



Temporary Shelters Permanent Regulations

City of Tacoma | Planning & Development Services

City Council Public Hearing

3/20/2018

ITEM # 22



OVERVIEW



- Background
- Issues Being Addressed
- Proposed Regulations
- Outreach
- Next Steps

BACKGROUND



- May 2, 2017 – Emergency Temporary Aid and Shelter Program
- May 9, 2017 – State of Public Health Emergency
- June 6, 2017 – Emergency Temporary Shelters Interim Regulations

3

ISSUES BEING ADDRESSED



- Sponsoring entity
- Regulatory flexibility
- Compliance with State laws (RCW 35.21.915)
- Livability
- Civic Engagement
- Equity and Accessibility
- Social Conditions
- Citywide, based on Police Sector areas

4

PROPOSED REGULATIONS



Highlights of the Proposed Regulations as recommended by the Planning Commission on February 21, 2018:

1. Allows governmental and non-profit institutions as sponsoring entities;
2. Allows shelters to run for 185 consecutive days with possible extension;
3. Allows six shelters city-wide, with a maximum of two in any single Police Sector, once all four Police Sectors have one shelter;

5

PROPOSED REGULATIONS



4. Shortens recurrence period of shelters to six (6) months;
5. Allows children under 18 accompanied by a guardian;
6. Provides flexibility in type of sheltering, some site requirements, and service provision;
7. Requires a signed trespass order to be filed with TPD;
8. Replaces the words "camp", "camps", or "homeless camp" with the words "shelter", "shelters" or "temporary shelter".

6

OUTREACH



- Public Hearings:
 - City Council (7/25/17)
 - City Council (10/10/17)
 - Planning Commission (2/7/18)
 - City Council (3/20/18)
- City staff regularly attend Associated Ministries and Homeless Provider meetings

7

NEXT STEPS



- March 27, 2018 – City Council Study Session
- March 27, 2018 – First Reading of Ordinance
- April 3, 2018 – Final Reading of Ordinance
- April 15, 2018 – Permanent Regulations Effective
- April 16, 2018 – Interim Regulations Expire
- Ongoing – Additional Education & Outreach

8



Temporary Shelters Permanent Regulations

City of Tacoma | Planning & Development Services

City Council Public Hearing

3/20/2018

ITEM # 22

