

Public Hearing July 24, 2018



Resolution M – 1942 Status Report and Update:

- Section 1. evidence-based, best practices to address the crisis of homelessness, including: housing first, harm reduction, coordinated entry, low-barrier services, and the utilization of the O'Connell homeless vulnerability index.
- Section 2. support the Providence Community Care Center in downtown Olympia and its partnering
 providers as critical contributors of comprehensive clinical and dignity services for street dependent and
 vulnerable community members.
- Section 3. Jim Cooper as its first liaison to the Community Care Center Advisory Council serving as a
 Council representative for matters impacting the services provided at the Community Care Center.
- **Section 4.** identify opportunities for legal camping including cars and RVs with the inclusion of hygiene and storage services in Olympia for unhoused community members.
- **Section 5.** create a low-barrier day center in Olympia as part of the pending homelessness response strategic plan.
- **Section 6.** better inform the public and our partners about the ongoing work of the City to address homelessness.
- **Section 7.** The Finance committee shall review funding options for the aforementioned action items.
- **Section 8.** The Olympia City Council directs the City Manager to prepare a coordinated strategic response plan for homelessness.

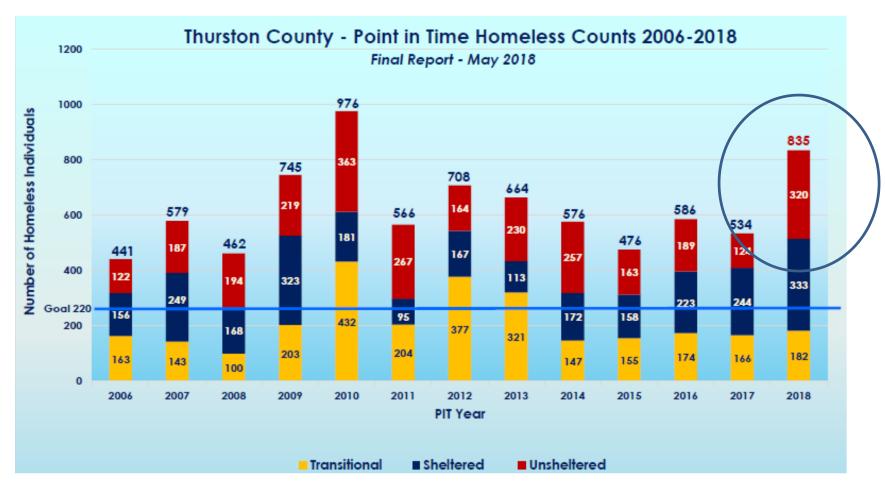
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Related Efforts:

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 - Declaration of Public Health Emergency adopted July 17, 2018
 - Multifamily Tax Exemption: future council action
 - Impact Fee Abatement: future council action
 - Vulnerable Renter Regulations: future council action
 - Source of Income
 - Eviction Notice
 - Rent Increase Notice
 - Lifeline Utility Rates: staff review



The need





History

- Adopted Amended Emergency Housing Facility Regulations June 5, 2018
- The City of Olympia adopted its first Temporary Encampment Regulations in 2008. These regulations were adopted largely as a response to Camp Quixote's occupation of City-owned property in downtown.
- These regulations were amended in 2011 to provide for a permanent encampment on County-owned property in Mottman Industrial Park known as Quixote Village.
- A single temporary encampment hosted by a faith-based organization was also allowed, however, no temporary encampments have been hosted by faith-based organizations since Quixote Village was established.



- Existing regulations are restrictive
 - Only allows two facilities in the entire City
 - Limits the duration to maximum of six months
 - Requires a high barrier facility
 - Prohibits the use of alcohol or the possession of weapons of any kind



Proposed amendments

- Change the name of the regulations to Emergency Housing Facility Regulations
- Eliminate the differentiation between types of Facilities
- Allows Emergency Housing Facilities to be operated by or hosted on faith based, not-for-profit organizations and governmental entities
- Adds Storage of personal belongings
- Creates separation between approved Emergency Housing Facilities
- Increases the number of Emergency Housing Facilities Allowed
- Allows facilities to be sited for up to one year subject to conditions and may be extended beyond one year with a conditional use permit
- Reduce barriers for clients such as use of alcohol and possession of weapons
- Reduce barriers for host organizations such as camp security and encourages self management



- Emergency ordinance
 - Requires that Council hold a public hearing within 60 days of adoption to continue them and to adopt a work plan to replace them with permanent regulations



- Outstanding issues and Next Steps
 - Background checks
 - Sex Offender Status
 - Notice to Law Enforcement
- Public outreach
- Planning Commission briefing, public hearing and deliberation by December 5, 2018
- Council Consideration by December 5, 2018



Questions?