

TO: Mayor Stokes and City Councilmembers

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SUBJECT: Homelessness Management – Council Look Ahead

No actionable items or Council discussion will occur on September 18, 2017 related to homelessness or the shelter. However, several items related to homelessness will be coming before Council for action and discussion in the coming months. This management brief provides a quick snapshot of what Council and the public should expect in the next few months:

- **September 25, Public Hearings:** On August 7, 2017 Council adopted two Interim Official Controls (temporary regulations) – one prohibiting safe injection sites citywide; and one regarding the permit process required to establish a homeless shelter and identifying the Land Use Districts where a homeless shelter may be permitted. These temporary regulations require a public hearing to be held within 60 days of enactment in order to remain in effect, and remain in effect for six months.

Ordinance 6369. The public hearing regarding prohibiting safe injection sites, will seek public comment on whether the ordinance should be adopted as a permanent citywide regulation.

Ordinance 6368. The public hearing regarding citywide regulations for establishing a homeless shelter will seek public comment on the temporary regulations. Following the public hearing, at subsequent meetings, Council will be asked to provide direction to staff regarding development of permanent regulations which will be prepared during the effective period of the temporary regulations.

- **October-November-December:**

- Study Session with a comprehensive update on the status of homelessness in Bellevue.
- Final action on Ordinance 6369, prohibiting safe injections sites citywide.
- Continued discussions on Ordinance 6368 to develop permanent citywide regulations on establishing a homeless shelter.
- Discussion and potential options to strengthen RV/car camping regulations.
- Discussion of education, outreach and tools regarding panhandling.