

June 18, 2018

CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION ITEM

SUBJECT

Permanent Homeless Shelter Permitting Amendments to the Land Use Code (LUC) – informational release.

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POLICY ISSUES

No discussion or presentation regarding the Shelter Permitting LUC Amendment (LUCA) is scheduled for June 18. Materials provided for this item are informational only.

Following the public hearing on the Homeless Services Uses LUCA on June 11, Council discussed a process for suggesting amendments to the Public Hearing Draft code. For ease of reference, a copy of the Public Hearing Draft LUCA is provided with this memorandum as Attachment A. The Mayor encouraged Councilmembers to work with staff to prepare suggested amendments to the Public Hearing Draft LUCA for consideration by the full Council. Code language for Council-suggested amendments completed by June 13, is included with this memorandum as Attachments B - C. These materials are intended to provide an early release of amendment language that has been completed, and allow extended time for public review.

Council-suggested amendments that have not been translated into code language by June 13, will be completed and included in the packet materials for the June 25 Study Session. Final action on the Homeless Services Uses LUCA is tentatively scheduled for June 25. During the June 25 Study Session, individual Councilmembers may request the full Council to include their suggested code language in the final ordinance.

DIRECTION NEEDED FROM COUNCIL

ACTION



DIRECTION



INFORMATION ONLY



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BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

In January, the City Council affirmed its intent to allow for a permanent homeless shelter in Bellevue by extending the Interim Official Control (IOC) that regulates shelter permitting, and by directing staff to develop permanent homeless shelter permitting regulations. A Council-endorsed community engagement approach and LUCA processing schedule was adopted on March 5. The initial draft of a

Homeless Services Uses LUCA was introduced to the City Council on April 23, and Council held policy discussions regarding the content of the LUCA during the May 7 and May 21 Study Sessions.

At the May 21 Study Session, Council set June 11 as the date for a public hearing on the Draft LUCA. The following policy objectives provided guidance to City staff during development of the Draft LUCA that was the topic of public hearing consideration on June 11.

1. Work toward an Eastside solution for a permanent winter shelter (Council Priority);
2. Support the establishment of a year-round homeless shelter on the Eastside (2014 Diversity Advantage Plan);
3. Prevent individuals from becoming homeless, and for those that do experience homelessness, that it is rare, brief and one time (Committee to End Homelessness Interest Statement adopted by the Bellevue City Council on June 22, 2015); and
4. Regulate Homeless Services Uses in a manner that is not construed as criminalizing homelessness (City Council Policy discussion on May 5).

Following the public hearing on June 11, the City Council discussed a process for suggesting amendments to the Public Hearing Draft code. Code language for Council-suggested amendments completed by June 13, is included with this memorandum in Attachments B - C. The June 18 packet materials are intended to provide an early release of amendment language that has been completed, and allow extended time for public review. The June 18 materials are informational only. No discussion or action is scheduled for June 18 on the Homeless Services Uses LUCA topic. Final action of an ordinance to amend the LUC and include provisions related to the permitting of Homeless Services Uses may occur as soon as June 25.

OPTIONS

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

N/A

ATTACHMENT(S)

- A. Public Hearing Draft LUCA for Homeless Services Uses
- B. Mayor Chelminiak Suggested Amendments
- C. Councilmembers Robertson/Nieuwenhuis Consolidated Amendments

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N/A