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Portland Planning and Sustainability Commission Hearing

September 13th at 12:30PM

1900 SW 4th Avenue, Second Floor, Room 2500A

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# Planning and Sustainability Commission Hearing on: Mass Shelters and Housing: Zoning Code Update

## Why am I receiving this notice?

You are receiving this notice because you have expressed interest in being notified of certain Bureau of Planning and Sustainability projects, you have requested notice of this project, or you are a member of a neighborhood or business association.

## What is this project about?

The proposed code amendments are the result of City Council's direction to "simplify regulations, remove regulatory obstacles, and expedite processes for land use reviews and permits for affordable housing projects, mass shelters, and short-term housing. This direction was given through Resolution 37196 passed in March 2016.

The amendments provide more flexibility for the siting of mass shelters in zones where they are already allowed, including increasing the number of allowed beds and reducing separation requirements. The code also reduces parking requirements for some shelters and short-term housing. For mass shelters and short-term housing subject to conditional use review, additional discretionary review alternatives (Type II instead of Type III) are provided for applicants, and an amended set of approval criteria are created for facilities in existing buildings or with existing institutions. The amendments provide additional opportunities for religious institutions to provide limited transitional housing on a short-term basis. Lastly, the amendments create a Type Ix design or historic review process instead of a Type III process for affordable housing projects meeting certain criteria of affordability.

## How can I review this proposal?

**Get a copy of the report.** The *Mass Shelters and Housing Zoning Code Update* will be available the week of August 8<sup>th</sup>. You can pick up a copy at our office at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, 7th Floor. The Bureau receptionist will mail you a copy if you call 503-823-7700. The document will also be available on the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability website at [www.portlandonline.com/bps/71246](http://www.portlandonline.com/bps/71246).

**Attend the Open House.** Staff with the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability will be hosting an Open House on **Wednesday August 31<sup>st</sup> from 5pm – 7pm**. The open house will be held at the First Baptist Church in Downtown Portland at 909 SW 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. The site is one to two blocks from MAX and the streetcar, and street parking is available.

## How can I comment on this proposal?

**Testify at the Planning and Sustainability Commission hearing.** The hearing, on **September 13 at 12:30pm**, will be on the second floor at 1900 SW Fourth Avenue (SW 4th Avenue and Hall Street). Please call 503-823-7700 a week before the hearing for the scheduled time of this agenda item. Metered and pay parking is available in the vicinity. MAX, the Portland Streetcar and many buses serve this building; call Tri-Met at 503 238 7433 or go to their web site at <http://www.trimet.org> for routes and times.

**Write to the Planning and Sustainability Commission.** Mail written testimony to the Planning and Sustainability Commission at 1900 SW Fourth Avenue, Suite 7100, Portland, Oregon 97201, FAX comments to 503-823-7800, or email comments to [PSC@PortlandOregon.gov](mailto:PSC@PortlandOregon.gov). Written testimony must be received by the time of the hearing and must include your name and address.

## What happens next?

The Planning and Sustainability Commission will consider public comments on this proposal. They will then forward a recommendation to City Council for consideration and additional public review and comment.

For more information, contact Phil Nameny, City Planner, at the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability 503-823-7709 or [phil.nameny@PortlandOregon.gov](mailto:phil.nameny@PortlandOregon.gov) or visit the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability's website: [www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/71246](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/71246)