

DRAFT Homeless Camping Enforcement Guidelines
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- I. The City, in coordination with identified community members and homeless service providers, will pilot the following draft guidelines for a six month period. A temporary working group will be selected by Commissioners Fish to assess the success of the guidelines after three months of implementation.
- A. The City will not enforce its camping law (PCC 14A.50.020 or successor) against persons who camp on public property or public rights of way that are open to the public if they comply with the following rules:
- a. A camp may not contain more than eight people and four structures after 10:00 p.m.
 - b. A camp must be out of sight and earshot or more than 50 yards away from any other camp, no more than one camp per city block face is permitted.
 - c. Campers may not set up a campsite until 9:00 p.m.
 - d. A camp must be quiet after 10:00 p.m. Noise level must not interfere with neighbor's reasonable expectation of quiet.
 - e. A camp must be clean. Trash and debris must be cleaned by campers, including human waste.
 - f. Behavior of the campers must be law abiding.
 - g. A camp must be packed up and removed from the site by 7:00 a.m.
 - h. A camp must be off the sidewalks and roadways and away from nighttime high volume traffic areas.
- B. The City will not enforce its prohibition against the erection of structures on public property (PCC 14A.50.050) against tents or other structures designed for the primary and limited purpose of protecting outdoor sleepers from the elements when the occupants of a campsite comply with the rules set out in subsection A and no more than four sleeping structures are present at a site.
- C. The City will not enforce its camping law against people sleeping at night in vehicles as long as they comply with the rules set out in subsection A and the camp is limited to one vehicle and no more than two adults.
- D. The City will conduct a pilot project to examine the feasibility and benefits of providing storage to homeless people living on the street.

E. The City will not rouse non-obstructing, otherwise lawful sleepers before 7:00 a.m.

F. The City will publish these guidelines and make them available to the public. The City's police officers will tell potential campers and outdoor sleepers about these guidelines.

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