



WELCOME TO THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FLORENCE CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 3, 2024

THIS MEETING IS HELD IN-PERSON AT THE FLORENCE EVENTS CENTER (715 QUINCE STREET) WITH THE OPTION TO VIEW VIRTUALLY.

CITIZENS WISHING TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS MAY PROVIDE VERBAL OR WRITTEN COMMENTS.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THE CITY OF FLORENCE WEBSITE AT:

WWW.CI.FLORENCE.OR.US/COUNCIL/REQUEST-ADDRESS-CITY-COUNCIL-SPEAKERS-CARD.



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AGENDA ITEM #1

STAFF PRESENTATION

CITY MANAGER ERIN REYNOLDS

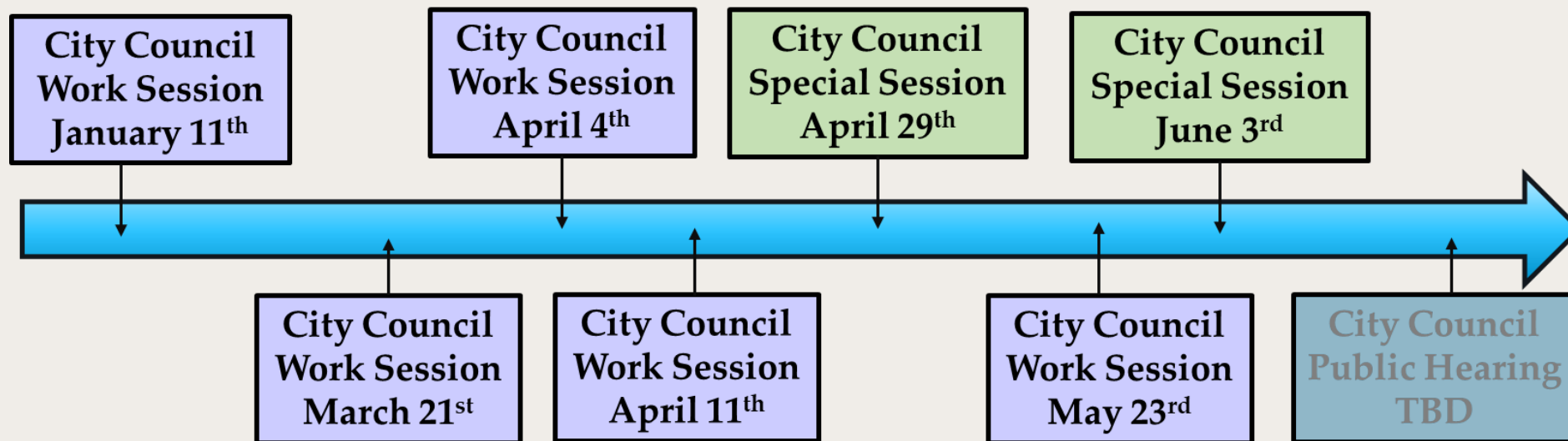
COMMUNITY DEV. DIR. WENDY FARLEYCAMPBELL

WORK TO DATE

2023:

- Transitional Housing Subcommittee: met four times from April to Oct.
- City Council & Planning Commission: Joint Work Session, Dec. 4th

2024:





PROPOSAL

Florence City Code Title 1 Chapter 9 Time -- Place -- Manner

1. Emergency Shelter -- Event Based
 - Move from Title 10 Chapter 2, Add Disaster Relief
2. Temporary Sheltering Private Property
3. Temporary Sheltering City Property
4. Shelter Site Clean-Up Policy



Florence City Code Proposal

Emergency Shelter – Event Based City Manager Designated

- Purpose: disaster victims and response and relief workers
- Application: Anyone
- Type of Shelter: tents, temporary shelters, self-contained mobile structures
- Establishment Standards: Same as temporary sheltering

Emergency Shelter – Event Based City Council Designated

- Purpose: warming & adverse weather
- Application: non-profit or religious institution
- Type of Shelter: unspecified
- Establishment Standards: unspecified

Florence City Code Proposal

Temporary Sheltering Property – Non-Residential & Residential

- **Applicant:** Property Owner or Tenant
- **No compensation | Revocable**
- **Type and number of Shelters:**
 - Commercial: 3 vehicles OR tents in any combination
 - Residential: One vehicle in the driveway OR one tent in the backyard
- **Storage:** No visible personal items
- **Buffer:** 5' from property lines
- **Sanitation:** Handwashing, garbage, toilet
 - Not in front yard and 10' from property lines



Florence City Code Proposals

City Property Exclusion Areas

- Most Parks
- Significant Riparian or Wetland Areas
- Visual line of sight from a public trail
- City-owned facilities open to the public
- Certain Public Rights of Way (ROW)
- Public ROW within a Residential District

City Property Buffers—300 ft.

- Church or religious institution
- Elementary and secondary education school
- Day care and child care facilities
- Facility providing services to a homeless persons



Florence City Code Proposals

Definitions (some)

- Motor Vehicle: operative, licensed, insured
- RV: camping trailers, tent trailers, campers, camper vans
- Tent: portable, cloth-like, not exceeding 90 sq.ft., 6'5" in height
- Shelter paraphernalia: sleeping bags, cooking devices, blankets, etc.
- Shelter facilities: tents, RVs,

Illegal Shelter Site Clean-Up

- Posted 72 hours ahead (English & Spanish)
- Less time if hazardous materials or danger to human life or safety
- Scheduled by Chief of Police
- Personal Property separated from trash, stored for 30 days, disposed afterwards
- Weapons, drug paraphernalia, stolen or crime evidence retained or disposed

Testimony Summary

30 Written responses received

- General topics & comments
 - **Trash, sanitation, etc** — provide trash receptacles, toilets and sanitation areas, lockers for gear
 - **Costs and funding** — to clean up sheltering sites
 - **Regulations** — enforceable, not overly restrictive, use of “paraphernalia”
 - **Timelines** — code expiration, start time earlier than 8pm to accommodate children, time to vacate (4 hrs.) too short, sheltering times for night workers

Testimony Summary

- **Locations** — provide where one can shelter, support for exclusion areas, ungated private streets, increase in sheltering just outside the city limits, no emergency or temporary sheltering in tourism areas, public locations with plumbing are excluded.
- **Dignity & Humanity** — derivation of equal protection from the law and due process, increase public education on circumstances around homelessness, provide opportunity for professionally led shelter sites, keep D&H in mind, wet bedding
- **Crime & safety** — exploitation of people who are homeless
- **Public input opportunities** — Provide opportunity for questions from the floor

Code Changes Since April 29th Special Session

Sections with no Changes

- 1-9-1: Emergency Shelters
- 1-9-2: Temporary Shelter Purpose
- 1-9-2-2: Temporary Sheltering Program

Changes Since April 29th Special Session

Sections with Changes

1-9-2-1: Definitions

- Family-six or fewer individuals
- Paraphernalia-Belongings
- Solid Human or pet waste

1-9-2-3: Prohibited Sheltering

- Trail provision moved
- Clarified facility prov. services
- Set-up and storage times changed from 8pm to 7pm or sunset, the earlier

1-9-2-4: Shelter Cleanup

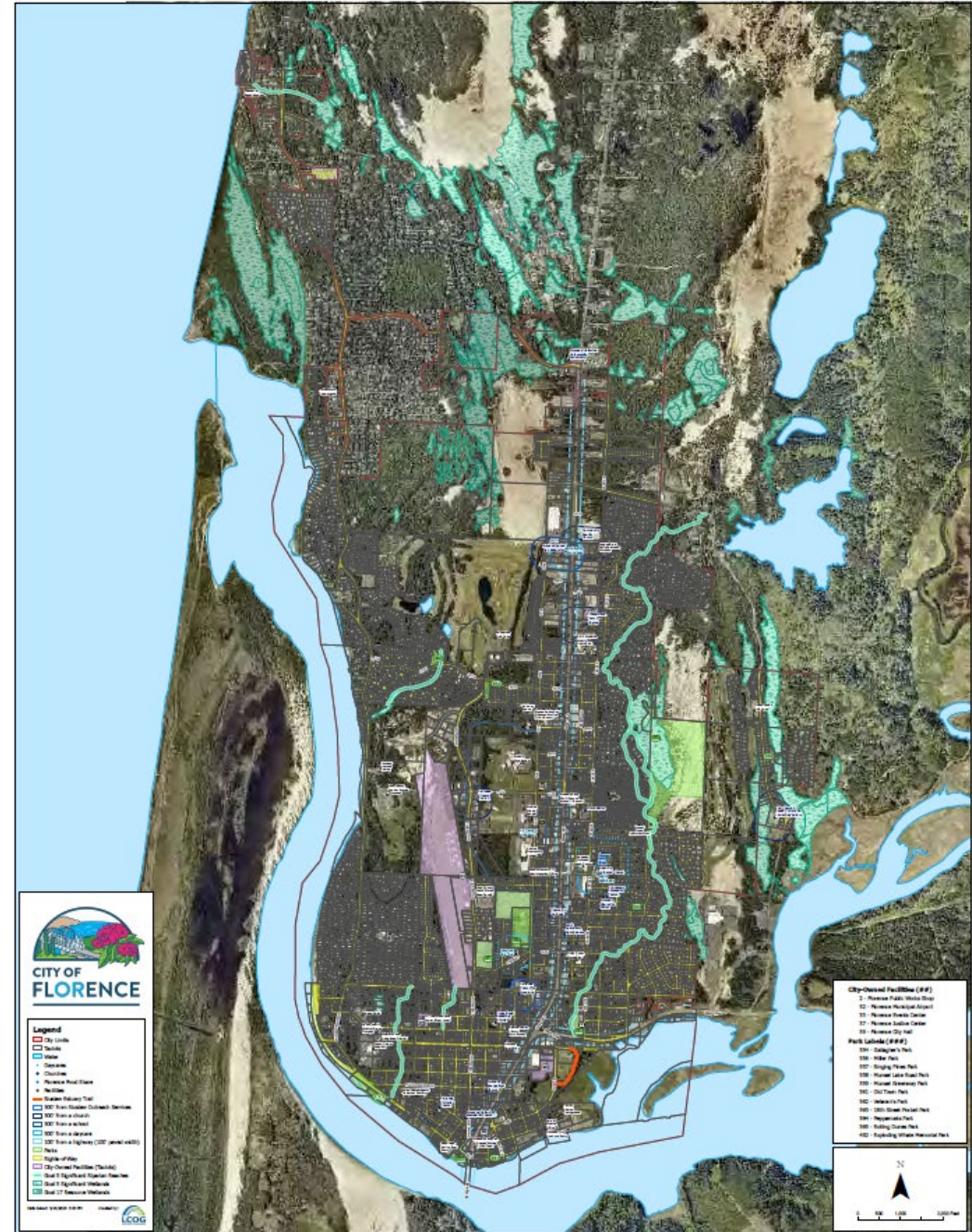
- Added notification of Human Service Dept.

Revised Map Buffer & Exclusion

Added Significant Riparian & Wetlands

Legend and Numbering City Facilities & Parks

General clean-up





AGENDA ITEM #2

PUBLIC INPUT

A. PREREGISTERED

B. POST BREAK

PUBLIC INPUT



COMMENTS ARE ALLOWED IN BOTH WRITTEN AND VERBAL FORMAT

WRITTEN COMMENTS:

- EMAIL TO CITYRECORDER@CI.FLORENCE.OR.US
- MAIL TO FLORENCE CITY HALL, ATTN: CITY COUNCIL, 250 HWY 101, FLORENCE, OR 97439
- DROP OFF AT FLORENCE CITY HALL (250 HWY 101) DROP BOX
(TO THE RIGHT OF THE MAIN ENTRANCE)

NOTE: COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 2 HOURS PRIOR TO START OF MEETING.

COMMENTS DISTRIBUTED: TO CITY COUNCIL, POSTED TO CITY OF FLORENCE WEBSITE, AND MADE PART OF THE RECORD. (1 HOUR PRIOR TO MEETING)

VERBAL COMMENTS:

- SPEAKER'S CARD: COMMENTERS MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S CARD AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.CI.FLORENCE.OR.US/COUNCIL/REQUEST-ADDRESS-CITY-COUNCIL-SPEAKERS-CARD
- NOTE: CARDS MUST BE RECEIVED AT LEAST 1 HOUR PRIOR TO MEETING START
- TIME LIMITS: GENERAL COMMENTS (*NOT A PUBLIC HEARING*) ARE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES PER PERSON

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3 MINUTE COUNT DOWN TIMER**

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AGENDA ITEM #3

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION & POTENTIAL DECISION



- *Schedule meeting for additional discussion and deliberation for a decision*
 - *Direct staff to do additional research*
 - *Determine if more time for public input is needed*



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