Council Update – Camping on Public Property

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 Current City Code provision Camping on Public Property (9.6.110) was adopted in 2010

 Based upon the discussions during and after the adoption of the ordinance CSPD drafted an SOP regarding enforcement procedures



 Pursuant to the SOP officers will post a 48 hour notice to remove along with a referral to a local service provider

 The provisions of the SOP only apply to camping on public property

 If no shelter pace available then enforcement under the Code provision is delayed



 The shelter space requirement was added to the SOP in consideration of 8th Amendment concerns

 The Department of Justice issued a position statement in 2015 addressing enforcement of local camping ordinances