In a February 20, 2014 memorandum, the City Council provided policy direction for the Planning Commission work on regulations for temporary homeless encampments. The encampment regulations were the subject of three planning commission meetings, including a public hearing where the Commission heard from 16 citizens. In addition, the Commission received 123 written comments during the public comment period including a petition with approximately 500 electronic signatures, 130 written signatures, and 83 attached comments. After careful consideration, the Planning Commission’s recommended code provisions were presented to the City Council on May 13, 2014. These recommendations are contained in the Planning Commission handoff memorandum of May 13, 2014 (provided in the May 13th packet material) and the attached Planning Commission recommended draft code.

At the June 3rd meeting, the City Council will hold a public hearing and begin deliberations on the proposed regulations, with a second reading and adoption scheduled for July 1st, 2014.

The following additional information is provided to assist in preparations for the Council’s deliberations:

- Updated Temporary Homeless Encampment Comparison Table
- City resource comparison tables
- City Council Topic/Question table

The City Council Topic/Question table will be used as a tool to guide consideration of the various policy topics. It is organized in the order that the provisions appear in the draft code, with other topics mentioned or requested by the Council at the end of the table. If there are additional items that should be added to the table for discussion, it is suggested that Councilmembers email those items to staff ahead of the June 3rd meeting.

Note that the City Council Public Comment tab on the Homeless Encampment Code Development Process web site has been updated to include public comments received since the close of the planning commission’s public hearing. This information can be found by following link:


I hope this information is helpful, please let me know if you have questions.