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Amending Title 12, Chapter 244 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Housing: Maintenance Code.

The City Council of the City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 244.60 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

244.60. Temporary housing prohibited; exception. (a) Unless otherwise provided in this section, no camp car, house trailer, automobile, tent or other temporary structure may be parked or placed upon any public street or on any public or private premises or street in the city and used as a shelter or enclosure of persons and their effects for the purpose of living therein.

(b) The director of regulatory services may issue a permit to allow for temporary housing when a specified emergency creates the need to allow for such housing. A permit may be issued only when the emergency creating the need is an act of nature, a technological failure or malfunction, a terrorist incident, a public health emergency, an industrial accident, a hazardous material accident, or destruction caused by a civil disturbance.

(c) When the director of regulatory services issues a permit to allow for temporary housing, the director shall provide that the permit will expire after a specific period of time, not to exceed six (6) months. The director shall attempt to set the expiration date to coincide with the elimination of the need for temporary housing. The director may grant one (1) six-month extension of this permit.

(d) The director of regulatory services may set conditions on the use of the permit to mitigate the negative impacts of the permit. These conditions may include compliance with applicable statutes, ordinances and/or rules, including but not limited to the Minneapolis Fire Code, Minneapolis Health Code, Minneapolis Building Code, Minneapolis Housing Maintenance Code, and the Minneapolis Zoning Code. In addition, the director may impose any additional appropriate conditions to the use of the temporary housing permit.

(e) The director of regulatory services may revoke the permit if the need for such temporary housing ends, or if the permit holder fails to comply with the conditions set by the director as to the use of the temporary housing permit.

~~(f) Reports on removals involving individuals experiencing homelessness.~~

~~(1) Definitions. For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall have the following meaning:~~

~~a. Affected individual. Any individual perceived as experiencing homelessness who is temporarily or permanently removed from an encampment or whose personal property has been cleared at an encampment.~~

~~b. Departmental removal. A removal by or on behalf of any city department where a departmental representative was present.~~

~~c. Encampment. A grouping of tents, tent-like structures, or temporary structures that are located within Minneapolis, which appear to be occupied by individuals for the purposes of residing therein.~~

~~d. Removal. An action or directive by or on behalf of any city department that results in an individual perceived as experiencing homelessness temporarily or permanently leaving a location or the clearing by or on behalf of any city department of personal property, which may include a sleeping bag, shelter, tarp, tent, bed, cardboard, metal sheeting, furniture, or other objects at a location.~~

~~e. Robot. An artificial object or system that senses, processes, and acts, to at least some degree, and is operated either autonomously by computers or by an individual remotely. The term does not include unmanned aerial vehicles.~~

~~f. Shelter. A building or individual units within a building, used by the department or by a person under contract or similar agreement with the department to provide temporary emergency housing.~~

~~g. Non-shelter housing options. Placement in a type of housing, stabilization bed, or safe haven.~~

~~(2) No later than one (1) month after the effective date of this section, and quarterly thereafter, city staff shall submit to the city council and the mayor, and publish on the department's website in a format accessible pursuant to the City's language access plan, a report on removals conducted during the prior reporting period. The report shall include a table in which each row references a unique occurrence of a removal. Each such row shall include the following information set forth in separate columns:~~

~~a. A unique identification number for each removal.~~

~~b. The council ward where the removal occurred.~~

~~c. Whether or not a removal has previously been conducted at that location and within a one (1) mile radius of the location within the last year.~~

~~d. The duration of an encampment at that location.~~

~~e. The source of initiation for the removal, including but not limited to requests by a city department, office, organization, or 311 or 911 report.~~

~~f. The date and time of the start and end of the removal.~~

~~g. The number of service providers contacted by city department staff and number of service providers servicing residents for the duration that the encampment existed.~~

~~h. The number of service providers contacted by city department staff and number of service providers present at the time of the encampment clearing.~~

~~i. The number of departmental personnel present and total hours spent on the removal by personnel, disaggregated by department.~~

~~j. The maximum and minimum number of affected individuals throughout the duration of the encampment and at the encampment at the start of removal.~~

~~k. The cost of removals, including, but not limited to, the costs associated with the following information:~~

~~1. The number of departmental staff present during and before a removal, disaggregated by the department.~~

~~2. The total time departmental staff was present before and during a removal.~~

~~3. Any overtime hours used to conduct a removal, including a methodology on how overtime hours were calculated.~~

~~4. Any additional costs such as the use of any specialized equipment during a removal, including unmanned aerial vehicles, robots, and surveillance cameras.~~

~~5. Any additional costs associated with site security after a removal including fencing, rip rap, rubble dumping, remediation and/or other measures.~~

~~6. Any cost and/or associated cost of, any service providers under contract with the city to service an encampment or be present at time of clearing.~~

~~l. Details of belongings that were seized and locations to which they were sent or if they were discarded.~~

~~m. A clear timeline of the encampment removal.~~

~~1. The date and time when affected individuals were made aware of the encampment removal.~~

~~2. The date and time when city department staff were made aware of the encampment removal.~~

~~3. The date and time when non-profit service providers were notified of the encampment removal. If service providers were notified, include details on which service providers were notified and which ones were present at the time of the encampment removal.~~

~~4. The date and time when contact was made with community organizations regarding the encampment removal.~~

~~n. The number of times the Homeless Response Team:~~

~~1. Visited the encampment prior to closure and the purpose of the visit.~~

~~2. Engaged directly with affected individuals prior to the encampment closure.~~

~~(3) No later than one (1) month after the effective date of this section, and quarterly thereafter, city staff shall submit to the city council and the mayor, and publish on the department's website in a format accessible pursuant to the City's language access plan, a report on removals conducted during the prior reporting period. The report shall include a table in which each row references a unique occurrence of a removal. Each such row shall include the following information set forth in separate columns:~~

~~a. A reference to the unique removal identification number as reported in subsection (2) of this section.~~

~~b. The council ward where the removal occurred.~~

~~c. The number of affected individuals on the date of the removal.~~

~~d. The number of available shelter beds at the time of removal and whether an affected individual could book a shelter bed at the time of the closure.~~

~~e. The number of affected individuals who were offered shelter on the date of removal.~~

~~f. The number of affected individuals who accepted shelter on the date of the removal.~~

~~g. The number of affected individuals who were offered direct permanent housing placements on the date of the removal.~~

~~h. The number of affected individuals who were offered supportive housing on the date of the removal.~~

~~i. The number of affected individuals who were assessed for housing throughout the duration of the encampment.~~

~~j. The number of affected individuals who are in the process of receiving housing placement throughout the duration of the encampment.~~

~~k. The number of affected individuals who were offered placement in non-shelter housing options on the date of the removal.~~

~~l. The number of affected individuals who entered non-shelter housing options on the date of the removal.~~

~~m. The number of affected individuals who entered treatment and/or detox throughout the duration of the encampment.~~

~~n. The number of affected individuals who were arrested on the date of the removal.~~

~~o. A detailed account of 311 and 911 calls related to encampments, disaggregated by incident code and problem nature code on unique incidents reported, including but not limited to the following information:~~

~~1. The types of incidents reported, including but not limited to gun violence, homicide, assault, nuisance and other relevant categories.~~

~~2. The location of the encampment that is related to each 311 and 911 call.~~

~~p. The status of police investigations related to removals, including the following information:~~

~~1. Whether the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) followed up on each reported incident.~~

~~2. The current status of each investigation, including any resolutions or ongoing investigations.~~

~~(4) The reports required by this section shall include a data dictionary.~~

~~(5) Except as otherwise expressly provided in this section, no report required by this section shall contain personally identifiable information.~~

~~(6) No information that is otherwise required to be reported pursuant to this section shall be reported in a manner that would violate any applicable provision of federal, state, or local law relating to the data privacy and classification of information, including the provisions of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act.~~