

ORDINANCE No. 190381 As Amended

*Amend City Code Health and Sanitation, Emergency Code, Public Improvements, Water, Property Maintenance Regulations and Affordable Housing to facilitate the provision of shelter and housing options for Portlanders in need (Ordinance; amend Code Titles 8, 15, 17, 21, 29, and 30)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

General Findings

1. On October 7, 2015, the Council, through Ordinance 187371, declared a housing emergency for a period of one year.
2. On September 7, 2016, the Council, through Ordinance 187973, extended the housing emergency declared by Ordinance 187371 for an additional one-year period.
3. On October 4, 2017, the Council, through Ordinance 188627, further extended the housing emergency for another eighteen-month duration.
4. On February 19, 2019, the Council, through Ordinance 189387, continued the housing emergency initially declared by Ordinance 187371, and subsequently extended twice, until April 4, 2021.
5. Ordinance 189387 also directed the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability (BPS) to develop a legislative proposal making permanent changes to city code to allow for temporary housing, shelters, and alternative shelter siting. This directive led to the Shelter to Housing Continuum Project.
6. The State of Emergency Declarations by City Council have allowed for the siting of shelters, and related services, and has expedited the design review process for affordable housing. These operational improvements have provided significant efficiencies and improvements to be able to address expedited affordable housing development, and to provide service locations to people experiencing homelessness.
7. The population experiencing homelessness are amongst the most vulnerable residents of Portland. On a single night during the winter of 2019, a point-in-time (PIT) count recorded 4,015 people as experiencing homelessness. The persistence of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness, the reliance on our emergency shelters, and the severe shortage of affordable housing are circumstances that create an immediate need to provide adequate, safe, and habitable shelter to persons experiencing homelessness.
8. Experiencing homelessness causes tremendous human suffering and demands a spectrum of emergency response that includes adequate, safe, and habitable shelters, affordable housing units, and appropriate supportive services. Since 2015, the Council has recognized and responded to the ongoing affordable housing crisis in an emergency mode.

9. The Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, the Portland Housing Bureau, the Bureau of Development Services, and the Joint City-County Office of Homeless Services partnered on this project to retool Portland City Codes to better address the emergency housing needs of people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness or displacement.
10. The Shelter to Housing Continuum Project is intended to further fair housing goals by expanding shelter and housing options throughout the city.
11. The Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft was released for public review on February 17, 2021.
12. The Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft includes changes to Portland City Code to: remove barriers to the siting of shelters; enable operation by public agencies or nonprofit organizations of outdoor shelters where people can be accommodated in tents, yurts, small cabins or vehicles on sites that can also have supportive services such as bathrooms, laundry, and cooking facilities; ease restrictions on unrelated persons sharing homes in residential areas; and allow occupancy of a recreational vehicle, or a tiny house on wheels, on residential property. These changes will provide a continuum of new shelter and housing alternatives for people experiencing homelessness including those currently camping on streets and in open spaces.
13. The Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft includes three volumes. Volume One contains an introduction to the proposal. Volume Two contains amendments to Title 33, Planning and Zoning that are being adopted by a separate ordinance. Volume Three contains amendments to other titles of Portland City Code that are being amended by this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. Adopt Exhibit A, Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft Volume One—As-Amended, dated April 2021, and the commentary in Exhibit B, Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft Volume Three—As-Amended, dated April 2021, as legislative intent and further findings.
- b. Amend Titles 8, 15, 17, 21, and 30 of the Portland City Code, as shown in Exhibit B, Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft Volume Three—As-Amended, dated April 2021, but excluding the amendments to Subsection 17.14.070.H.
- c. Amend Title 29 and Subsection 17.14.070.H of the Portland City Code as shown in Exhibit B, Shelter to Housing Continuum Recommended Draft Volume Three—As-Amended, dated April 2021.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because the city is experiencing a housing crisis and, for humanitarian reasons, immediate action is necessary; therefore, directives a and b shall be in full force and effect on April 30, 2021. Directive c shall be in full force and effect on August 1, 2021.

Passed by the Council: April 28, 2021

Mayor Wheeler &
Commissioners Rubio & Ryan
Prepared by: Eric Engstrom
Date Prepared: April 20, 2021

Mary Hull Caballero
Auditor of the City of Portland
By *Christina Thomas*

Deputy

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<p style="text-align: center;">INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Rubio, Ryan, Wheeler</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>March 9, 2021</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u>Megan Lehman</u> Deputy</p> <p>ACTION TAKEN:</p> <p>March 17, 2021 Continued to March 24, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Time Certain</p> <p>March 24, 2021 Continued to March 31, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Time Certain</p> <p>March 31, 2021 Continued to April 14, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Time Certain</p> <p>April 14, 2021 Continued to April 28, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. Time Certain</p>
<p>Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler <small>Ted Wheeler Digitally signed by Ted Wheeler Date: 2021.03.09 10:45:06 +08'00'</small></p>	
<p>Position 1/Utilities - Rubio <small>Carmen Rubio Digitally signed by Carmen Rubio Date: 2021.03.09 10:45:06 +08'00'</small></p>	
<p>Position 2/Works - Ryan <small>Digitally signed by Yessica L. Carrillo Date: 2021.03.09 16:22:41 +08'00'</small></p>	
<p>Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty</p>	
<p>Position 4/Safety - Mapps</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">BUREAU APPROVAL</p>	
<p>Bureau: Planning and Sustainability Bureau Head: <u>Andrea Durbin</u> <small>Digitally signed by Andrea Durbin Date: 2021.02.24 15:42:48 +08'00'</small></p>	
<p>Prepared by: <u>Eric Engstrom</u> Date Prepared: <u>2/23/2021</u></p>	
<p>Impact Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances</p>	
<p>City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter <small>Digitally signed by Lily Rees Date: 2021.02.24 15:25:45 +08'00'</small></p>	
<p>Council Meeting Date <u>March 17, 2021</u></p>	

AGENDA

TIME CERTAIN
Start time: 2:00 P.M.
Total amount of time needed: 3 hrs (2 of 2)
(for presentation, testimony and discussion)

CONSENT

REGULAR

Total amount of time needed: _____
(for presentation, testimony and discussion)

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Rubio	1. Rubio	✓	
2. Ryan	2. Ryan	✓	
3. Hardesty	3. Hardesty	✓	
4. Mapps	4. Mapps	✓	
Wheeler	Wheeler	✓	