

3H TASK FORCE UPDATE AND IMMEDIATE RECOMMENDATIONS

Nine Program and Policy Action Steps

ACTION STEP 1:

EMERGENCY TEMPORARY HOUSING

- + 100+ unsheltered individuals at a time
- + Supportive services included
- + Goal to transition to permanent housing

ACTION STEP 2:

PRIORITY HOUSING PLACEMENT

- + Partnering with Tulsa Housing Authority (THA) to create a housing preference for chronically homeless individuals
- + THA revisiting criminal policies

ACTION STEP 3:

LOW BARRIER SHELTER

- + 50-75+ unsheltered individuals at time
- + Referrals from hospitals, shelters, and outreach teams
- Supportive services included
- + Issuing RFP for operator

ACTION STEP 4:

EXPANDING ANIMAL ACCOMMODATIONS

+ Add permanent space at the Tulsa Day Center, including additional pet accommodations

ACTION STEP 5:

OPEN CONTAINERS IN CITY PARKS

+ Request to the Parks and Recreation Board to implement new rules allowing the Parks Director to regulate open containers or consumption of alcohol in individual parks

ACTION STEP 6:

TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

- + Council consideration of strengthening existing trespassing ordinance
- + Increased and modified penalty structure
- + Court-offered options and programs available

ACTION STEP 7:

PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OBSTRUCTION

- + Council consideration of an ordinance clarifying that it is illegal to obstruct right-of-way
- + Applies to streets, alleys, crosswalks, sidewalks, driveways or trails
- + Exceptions provided for extenuating circumstances

ACTION STEP 8:

PRIVATE RIGHT-OF-WAY ENFORCEMENT

- + Requesting trespassing letters from the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), Oklahoma Turnpike Authority (OTA), Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF), Union Pacific (UP) and South Kansas and Oklahoma Railroad (SKOL)
- + Enforce trespassing laws related to camping, sleeping and littering/dumping

ACTION STEP 9:

CONSISTENT APPROACH TO PUBLIC SAFETY

+ Mayoral directive to Tulsa Police to apply laws consistently regardless of housing status

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