

## SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA MATERIAL for Supplemental Packet 2

Meeting Date: March 26th, 2019

Item Number: 21

Item Description: Managing Recreational Vehicles (RV) Parking

Submitted by: Rashi Kesarwani

To accompany passage of this ordinance we propose these guidelines for staff for enforcement and establishment of a bifurcated permit system.

To: Members of the City Council

From: Mayor Jesse Arreguín, Councilmember Sophie Hahn, and Councilmember Rashi

Kesarwani

**Subject:** Implementation Guidelines for Managing RV Parking

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The City of Berkeley seeks to implement all laws and ordinances in a fair and humane manner. To that end, we refer to the City Manager for consideration the following guidelines to help ensure enforcement of revised RV parking restrictions allowed under Ordinance No. 7,643-N.S. (BMC Section 14.40.120) is conducted with outreach, including fliers and written notice; and we refer to the Health, Life, Enrichment, Equity & Community Policy Committee to begin consideration of a two-tiered permit system that provides a special three-month permit for priority populations and a standard two-week permit.

Initial enforcement of RV parking enforcement Ordinance No. 7,643-N.S. (BMC Section 14.20.120) should be preceded by a period of initial outreach to RVs.

Offers of support and assistance to RV inhabitants should include:

 Advance notification of the revised parking restrictions and reasonable time from the enactment of Ordinance No. 7,643-N.S. (BMC Section 14.20.120) to be conducted, no sooner than 30 days after the ordinance becomes effective.

Service Related Outreach as Available by Local Providers:

- Outreach by a homeless services provider could include;
  - Housing problem solving assistance
  - o Possible funding for RV repair and
  - Referrals to additional housing and homeless resources, health, mental health or addiction services, or other appropriate services.

During the period of time prior to and during outreach, RVs and/or conditions adjacent to RVs creating health and safety concerns would be subject to immediate enforcement.

City Council took action at its March 12th meeting to allocate an initial amount of \$50,000 from one-time State Housing Emergency Aid Program funds to provide outreach to RVs. Additional resources may be added as part of the FY20-21 budget process.

Refer to the Health, Life, Enrichment, Equity & Community Policy Committee to begin consideration of a two-tiered permit system that provides a special three-month permit for priority populations and a standard two-week permit.

The three-month priority permit should consider the following:

- Criteria for eligibility should be clearly articulated and fairly applied. The Alameda County homeless coordinated entry system has standards already in place with criteria such as health status, disability and self-care needs, age and household size (including the presence of children).
- The permit should be issued for up to three months, with an option to renew under limited/specified circumstances.

- Staff should continue to seek locations for priority permit holders to stay; including on public or private property, and appropriate sanitary facilities and other necessary protocols and/or facilities to support RVs with priority permits.
- A lottery system may be established to allocate limited spaces in an equitable manner.
- A sliding scale fee may be considered.

The standard two-week permit should consider the following:

- A limited number of permits to be issued by the City per month (or other increment).
- Locations to be geographically dispersed among all Council districts.
- A reasonable fee to cover City costs associated with the permit.

## **CONTACT PERSON**

Rashi Kesarwani, 510-981-7110