

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-14

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A STATE OF EMERGENCY RELATING TO UNSHELTERED RESIDENTS IN THE CITY OF SALEM

Whereas, on January 21, 2020 City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-4, declaring a state of emergency relating to unsheltered residents in the city of Salem (the “Declaration”);

Whereas, the Declaration authorized the Salem City Manager to, among other things, waive land use restrictions to allow the expansion of occupancy for the United Way’s Safe Sleep women’s shelter and allow vehicle camping on certain private property subject to rules;

Whereas, the City Manager issued an order implementing the Declaration;

Whereas, the Declaration expires on April 14, 2020 and the City Manager’s order expires on March 31, 2020;

Whereas, United Way has recently applied for land use approval that, if approved, will allow United Way to permanently expand occupancy of the Safe Sleep shelter, but review and final decision of the application is not expected for several months;

Whereas, no property owners have registered their properties to be used for vehicle camping, but unauthorized vehicle camping continues to be an issue throughout the city; and

Whereas, the City Council desires to extend the state of emergency to allow Safe Sleep’s expanded occupancy to continue, subject to compliance with existing Fire and Building Codes, and desires to continue the waiver of land use regulations to allow vehicle camping consistent with the City Manager’s order.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON,
RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 6 of Resolution No. 2020-4 is hereby amended to read:

“Section 6. This declaration shall terminate, unless expressly extended by the Salem City Council, on ~~APRIL 14, 2020~~ AUGUST 25, 2020.”

Section 2. The City Manager shall issue an order extending the previous order authorizing a pilot program for vehicle camping and waiving certain land use regulations for United Way’s Safe Sleep shelter to allow overnight occupancy for up to 19 people.

Section 3. Except as amended herein, Resolution No. 2020-4 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Section 7. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the City Council this ____ day of _____, 2020.

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Approved by City Attorney: _____