



**ANNOTATED AGENDA
CITY OF ANTIOCH PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020
6:30 P.M.**

PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AS A TELECONFERENCE MEETING. OBSERVERS MAY VIEW THE MEETING LIVESTREAMED VIA THE PLANNING DIVISION'S WEBSITE AT: <https://www.antiochca.gov/community-development-department/planning-division/planning-commission-meetings/>.

APPEAL

All items that can be appealed under 9-5.2509 of the Antioch Municipal Code must be appealed within five (5) working days of the date of the decision. The final appeal date of decisions made at this meeting is 5:00 p.m. on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020**.

ROLL CALL **6:30 P.M.**

Commissioners	Schneiderman, Chair
	Martin, Vice Chair
	Barrow
	Motts
	Parsons
	Soliz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NEW PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment/Fitzuren Rezone** – The City of Antioch proposes to amend Title 9, Chapter 5 of the Antioch Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) to: a) modify the definition of "Emergency Shelter" to include recreational vehicle parks and other alternative shelters; b) introduce alternative development and operational standards for Emergency Shelters; and c) change the zoning designation of the following parcels as follows:

1. Three parcels located on Fitzuren Road identified as APN 067-342-013, 067-342-002, and 067-342-001. The current zoning is Neighborhood/Community Commercial District (C-2). The proposed zoning is Neighborhood/Community Commercial District (C-2) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay.
2. The parcel located at 301 W. 10th Street (APN 067-080-038). The current zoning is Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of Neighborhood Commercial (C-N). The proposed zoning is Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay.
3. The parcels located at 615 A Street (APN 066-162-038, 007). The current zoning is Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of High Density Residential (HDR). The proposed zoning is Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of High Density Residential (HDR) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay.
4. The parcel identified as APN 065-020-002 located on Fulton Shipyard Road. The current zoning is Open Space (OS) and Heavy Industrial (M-2). The proposed zoning is Open Space (OS) and Heavy Industrial (M-2) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay.

***RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12
(a and b only)***

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT (8:16 pm)

Notice of Availability of Reports

Copies of the documents relating to this proposal are available for review at <https://www.antiochca.gov/fc/community-development/planning/Project-Pipeline.pdf>. The staff report and agenda packet will be posted on Friday, May 29 2020, at <https://www.antiochca.gov/government/agendas-and-minutes/planning-commission/>

Notice of Opportunity to Address the Planning Commission

There are two ways to submit public comments to the Planning Commission:

- Prior to 3:00 the day of the meeting: Written comments may be submitted electronically to the Secretary to the Planning Commission at the following email address: planning@ci.antioch.ca.us. All comments received before 3:00 pm the day of the meeting will be provided to the Planning Commissioners at the meeting. **Please indicate the agenda item and title in your email subject line.**

After 3:00 the day of the meeting and during the meeting: All comments submitted after 3:00 pm the day of the meeting or during the meeting may be submitted using the online meeting comment form available at this link: <https://www.antiochca.gov/community-development-department/planning-division/planning-commission-meetings/> **Please include the agenda item and title on the comment form.**


Comments will be read into the record by staff (not to exceed three minutes at staff's cadence) when the chair of the Planning Commission opens the public comment period for the relevant agenda item.

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CITY OF
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STAFF REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE: Regular Meeting of June 3, 2020
SUBMITTED BY: Forrest Ebbs, Community Development Director 
SUBJECT: Emergency Shelter Zoning Overlay – Potential Sites

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Planning Commission take the following actions:

1. Recommend that the City Council adopt the Ordinance a) making text changes to the Antioch Municipal Code and b) recommend that the City Council rezone any, all, or none of the sites to add an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay.

BACKGROUND

In January 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom made available, at no cost, approximately 100 travel trailers to local agencies for the purpose of housing homeless families or individuals. The City of Antioch pursued this opportunity and was granted five trailers. The City received the trailers and is currently storing them for future use.

The City Council has directed staff to pursue options for the use of City-owned properties for the installation of the trailers. The City has a tentative agreement with Contra Costa County whereby the County would provide all necessary social services and program management. At this point, the City and County agree that a family-serving program is most appropriate for these trailers.

ES Zoning Overlay

The use of travel trailers for temporary housing is not widely permitted in the City of Antioch and is prohibited in residential zones. However, the Zoning Ordinance includes an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay that is intended to allow by-right construction of emergency shelters subject to certain performance standards. This ES Zoning Overlay is a result of an earlier State mandate that all California cities accommodate homeless shelters in at least one zoning district. Presently, the ES Zoning Overlay is only applied to the City-owned property on Delta Fair Boulevard, near Century Boulevard and Los Medanos College, and to the southern portion of the City-owned property on Fulton Shipyard Road. This ES Zoning Overlay is required to construct an emergency shelter in the City of Antioch.

The existing ES Zoning Overlay text in the Zoning Ordinance anticipates a traditional homeless shelter that provides meals and bunk-style accommodations, which were more common at the time of its drafting. Staff recommends an additional text amendment that would expand the description of emergency shelters to include temporary structures such as the trailers. The proposal would modify the language to acknowledge alternative emergency shelter types in the definition and to allow for alternate management plans for unique shelters. The proposed changes are as follows:

EMERGENCY SHELTER. A temporary, short-term residence providing housing with minimal support service for homeless families or individual persons where occupancy is limited to six months or less, as defined in Cal. Health and Safety Code § 50801. Medical assistance, counseling, and meals may be provided. Emergency Shelters may include recreational vehicle parks, tiny home communities or other temporary shelters.

§ 9-5.3839 EMERGENCY SHELTERS.

Emergency shelters shall be located, developed, and operated in compliance with the following standards:

(A) *Number of residents/beds.* Each shelter shall contain a maximum of 50 beds and shall serve no more than 50 homeless persons.

(B) *Length of occupancy.* Occupancy by an individual or family may not exceed 180 consecutive days unless a management plan provides for longer residency by those enrolled and regularly participating in a training or rehabilitation program.

(C) *Hours of operation.* To limit outdoor waiting, the facility must be open each day for at least eight of the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

(D) *Waiting and intake areas.* Each shelter shall include indoor waiting and intake areas for guests. Such intake and waiting areas shall be provided at a rate of ten square feet per bed and in any case, shall be at least 200 square feet in area. Waiting and intake areas may be used for other purposes as needed during operation of the shelter.

(E) *Common facilities.* The development may provide one or more of the following specific common facilities for the exclusive use of the residents:

- (1) Laundry facilities.
- (2) Central cooking and dining room(s).
- (3) Recreation rooms.
- (4) Counseling centers.
- (5) Child care facilities.
- (6) Other support services.

(F) *Outdoor activities.* All functions associated with the shelter, except for children's play areas, outdoor recreation areas, parking, and outdoor waiting must take place within the building proposed to house the shelter. Outdoor waiting for clients, if any, may not be in the public right-of-way, must be physically separated from the public right-of-way, and must be large enough to accommodate the expected number of clients.

(G) *On-site parking.* Parking spaces shall be provided according to the standards of Article 17, Parking Requirements.

(H) *Lighting.* Adequate external lighting shall be provided for security purposes. The lighting shall be stationary, directed away from adjacent properties and public rights-of-way, and shall be of an intensity that is comparable to surrounding uses.

(I) *On-site security.* On-site security must be provided at all times that the emergency shelter is in operation and according to the following standards:

(1) A safety and security plan for each shelter shall be submitted to the Community Development Department. The plan shall include information as specified by the Community Development Director.

(2) Security guards shall be provided at a ratio of at least one guard for every 25 shelter beds.

(3) Security guards shall be employed by a private patrol operator (security company) that is currently licensed with the California Department of Consumer Affairs. The following information shall be provided to the city: the name of the security company; proof of its liability insurance, including a copy of all exceptions; its state license number; and the guard registration numbers for all employed guards.

(4) Digital security cameras shall be installed and capture the activities of the shelter's waiting and intake area, as well as the entrance and exit from the shelter and the shelter parking lot. If the shelter includes a child care area as a common facility, then the child care area shall also be monitored via a digital camera system. Recordings from digital security cameras shall be maintained for no less than 14 days.

(J) *Noise*. The use must be conducted in conformance with the city's noise regulations pursuant to Article 19, Noise Attenuation Requirements, of this chapter.

(K) *Refuse storage areas*. A refuse storage area shall be provided consistent with the standards of Article 14, Refuse Storage Area Design Guidelines.

(L) *Emergency shelter provider*. The agency or organization operating the shelter shall comply with the following requirements:

(1) The operator shall be local provider designated under the applicable requirements of the State Emergency Housing and Assistance Program.

(2) Staff and services shall be provided to assist residents in obtaining permanent shelter and income.

(3) The operator shall not discriminate in any services provided.

(4) The operator shall not require participation by residents in any religious or philosophical ritual, service, meeting or rite as a condition of eligibility.

(5) The operator of the shelter shall submit a management plan for review by the Community Development Director. The plan must address issues identified by the Director, including transportation, client supervision, security, client services, staffing, and good neighbor issues.

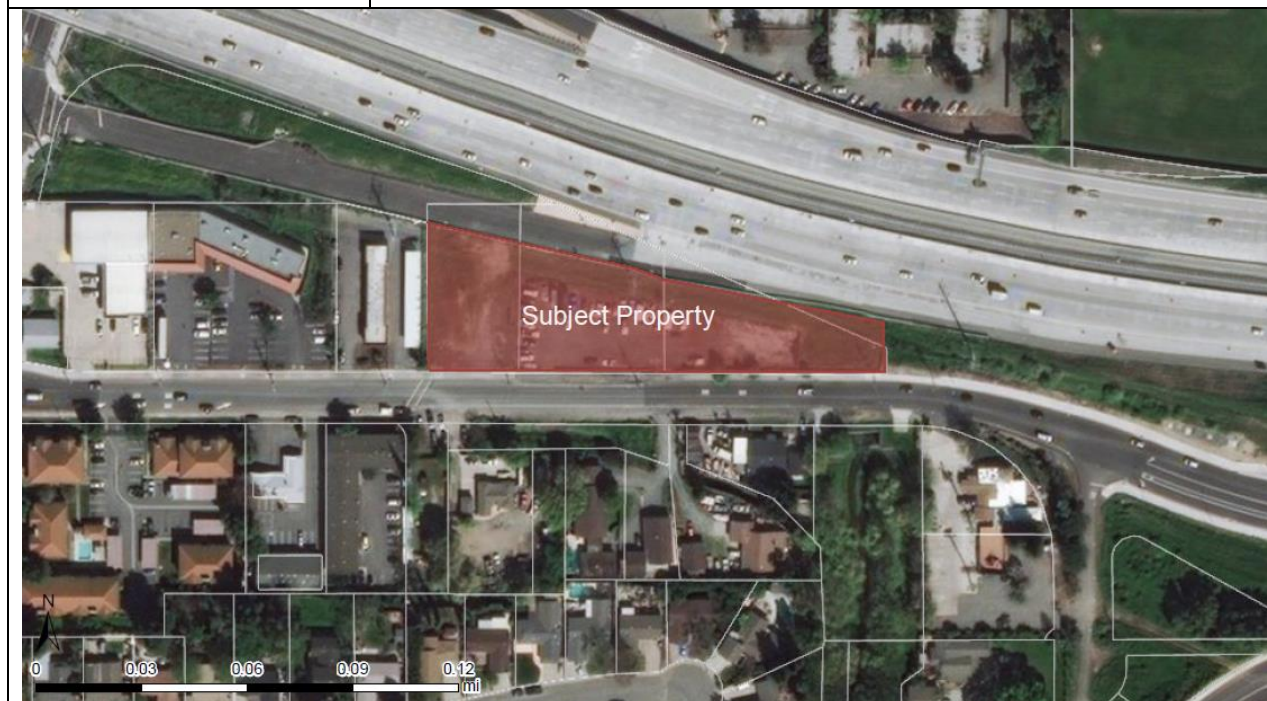
(M) As an alternative to the standards established in Sections A-L above, an operator may submit an alternate management and operational plan to address emergency shelter projects comprised of temporary structures. The alternate plans shall provide comparable security, public safety, noise, parking, and lighting standards, as verified by the Community Development Director

(Ord. 2089-C-S, passed 6-24-14)

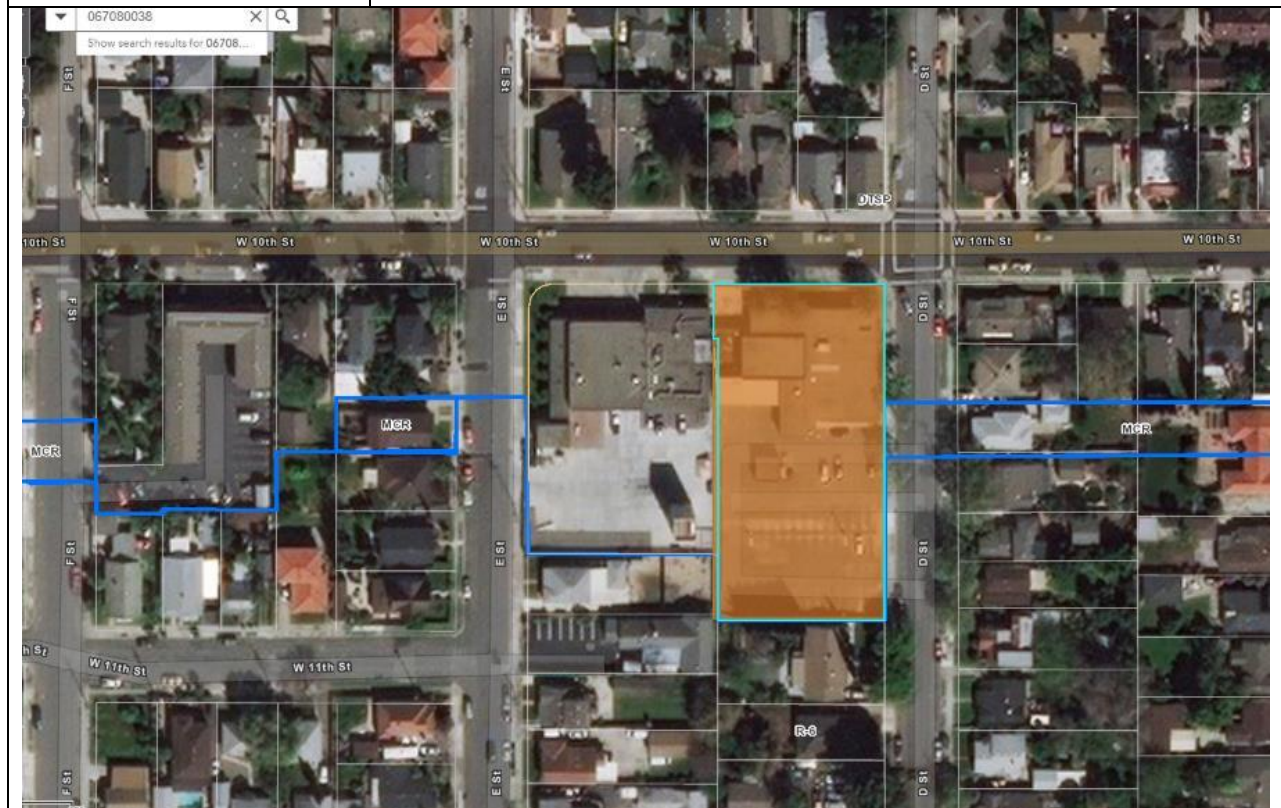
City-Owned Properties

Staff has identified four City-owned properties that could be used to house these trailers and this program. Each of these sites would require an ES Zoning Overlay. They are described in the following pages.

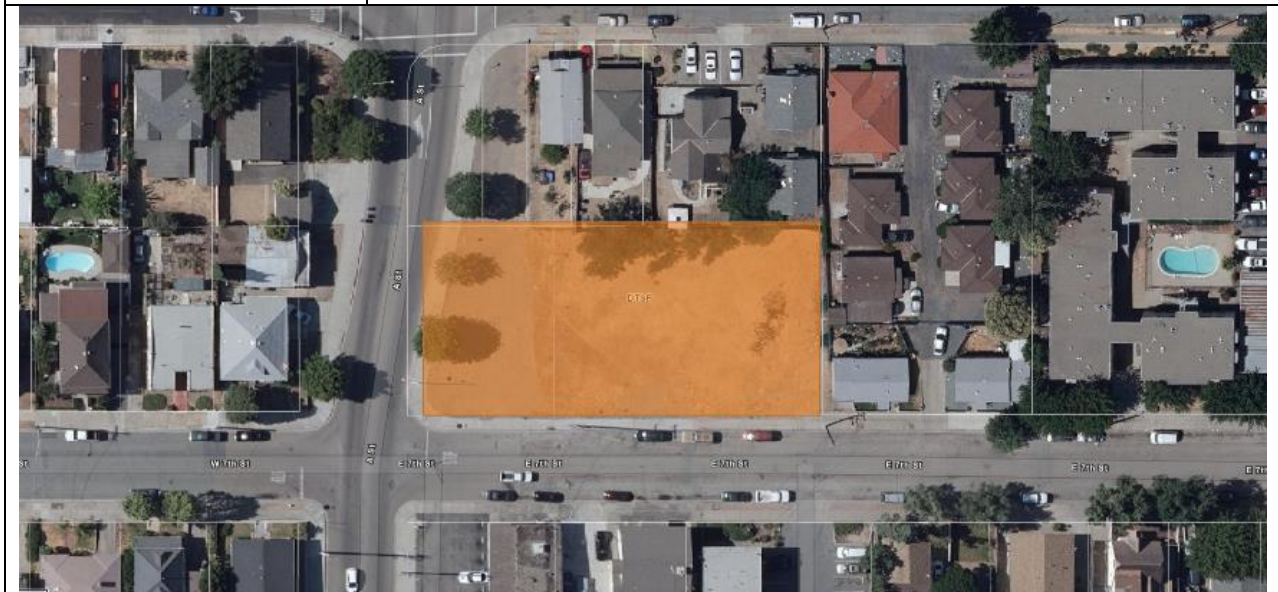
Property 1	Fitzuren Road
APN	067-342-013, 067-342-002, 067-342-001
Zoning – Current	Neighborhood/Community Commercial District (C-2)
Zoning – Proposed	Neighborhood/Community Commercial District (C-2) with Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay
General Plan Land Use	Neighborhood Community Commercial, Medium Low Density Residential
Area	1.74 acres



Property 2	301 W. 10th Street
APN	067-080-038
Zoning – Current	Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of Neighborhood Commercial (C-N)
Zoning – Proposed	Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of Neighborhood Commercial (C-N) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay
General Plan Land Use	Downtown Specific Plan Focus Area
Area	0.91 acres



Property 3	615 A Street
APN	066-162-038,007
Zoning – Current	Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of High Density Residential (HDR)
Zoning – Proposed	Downtown Specific Plan (DSP) with a designation of High Density Residential (HDR) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay
General Plan Land Use	Downtown Specific Plan Focus Area
Area	0.53 acres



Property 4	Fulton Shipyard Road
APN	065-020-002
Zoning – Current	Open Space (OS) and Heavy Industrial (M-2)
Zoning – Proposed	Open Space (OS) and Heavy Industrial (M-2) with an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay
General Plan Land Use	Industrial
Area	12.28 acres



Public Notification

Prior to the meeting, the Community Development Department published a public hearing notice in the local newspaper and also sent individual notices to all owners of property within 300' of each considered property. The City has received numerous emails and will be providing formal comments to the Planning Commission at the hearing.

ENVIRONMENTAL

The rezoning of any of these properties to contain an Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines (Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) and Article 19, Section 15305) because there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment and the project involves minor changes to land use regulations that will not result in physical changes to the environment.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning Commission is asked to make a recommendation to the City Council on the text amendments and each of the listed properties. The City Council will consider these recommendations along with additional public input and will move to add the ES Zoning Overlay to all, none, or some of the properties. Once the ES Zoning Overlay is in place, the trailers could be installed without further discretionary review from staff, the Planning Commission or other body. The management plan would be required for alternative emergency shelter types. The City would then move forward with the design and installation of necessary infrastructure such as water, electrical and sewer connections.

In determining a recommendation, the Planning Commission should consider the feasibility of the sites, the potential impact on adjacent properties and zones, and the input from the public. The City Council has established through their actions to date a policy to serve the homeless community and work to address the broader homeless issue in Antioch. To that end, the Planning Commission should not consider the cost of the program, the need to serve the homeless community, personal opinions about the homeless community, or other solutions to the broader homeless issue. A resolution has been provided that recommends adoption of an ordinance to make these changes. The ordinance offers flexibility so that the Planning Commission can recommend that all, none, or some of the properties be rezoned to contain the ES Zoning Overlay.

ATTACHMENT

A: Resolution with Draft Ordinance

ATTACHMENT "A"

PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 2020-**

RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH RECOMMENDING CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND ZONING ORDINANCE TO APPLY AN EMERGENCY SHELTER ("ES") ZONING OVERLAY AND ADDRESS ALTERNATE EMERGENCY SHELTERS

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2018 the City of Antioch ("**City**") formally recognized the growing number of unhoused residents within the City and joined with the Contra Costa County and other jurisdictions to declare a shelter crisis in order to bring more resources to bear on the important issues, pursuant to California Government Code 8698.2 (Resolution No. 2018/132);

WHEREAS, this year the City of Antioch applied for and received a donation of five (5) camper trailers from the State of California for the purpose of creating homeless transitional housing for unhoused residents of Antioch;

WHEREAS, the camper trailers are a part of a State program established by the Governor to donate 100 trailers that were previously used by the State to assist local jurisdictions in their work to combat homelessness;

WHEREAS, the City of Antioch plans to create a recreational vehicle temporary housing program ("**RV Housing Opportunity Program**") to be operated on City property using the five (5) camper trailers provided by the State of California;

WHEREAS, the target population for the RV Housing Opportunity Program is unsheltered families and/or individuals who desire to remain together in a sheltered situation, and who do not have a vehicle that might be eligible for existing safe parking lot programs;

WHEREAS, the RV Housing Opportunity Program aspires to provide temporary housing for 15 to 30 people, depending on the size of the families and/or number of individuals occupying the donated campers;

WHEREAS, the City is pursuing the installation of the donated trailers on City-owned properties within the City limits;

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that zoning a property to contain an Emergency Shelter ("**ES**") Zoning Overlay would allow the construction of an emergency shelter, such as the installation of said trailers, as a by-right use not requiring additional discretionary review or approval;

WHEREAS, any forthcoming action of the City Council relating to this recommendation is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“**CEQA**”) pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines (Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) and Article 19, Section 15305) because there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment and the project involves minor changes to land use regulations that will not result in physical changes to the environment;

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission duly noticed the public hearing as required by law;

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2020, the Planning Commission duly held a public hearing on the matter, and received and considered evidence, both oral and documentary; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the rezone, the granting of such rezone will not adversely affect the comprehensive General Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Planning Commission hereby makes the following findings required for approval of the proposed zone change:

1. The public necessity requires the proposed zone change. The homeless crisis in California requires immediate and comprehensive action. This proposed zone change will facilitate temporary housing for currently homeless families and/or individuals.
2. The subject property is suitable to the use permitted in the proposed zone change. The Planning Commission considered the suitability of each property and has found that the property/properties selected below are appropriate for the intended use.
3. That said permitted use is not detrimental to the surrounding property. The Planning Commission considered input from the public and has determined that the proposed use of any the selected property/properties for an emergency shelter will not be detrimental to the surrounding property.
4. The proposed zone change is in conformance with the requested General Plan. The project conforms to the requirements of the General Plan for each of these properties as it is an overlay established in response to State mandate to accommodate emergency shelters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission hereby recommends that the City Council APPROVE the draft Ordinance (“**Exhibit A**”) amending the Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance to apply an Emergency Shelter (“**ES**”) Zoning Overlay to specified properties and to address alternate emergency shelter types.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Antioch at a regular meeting thereof held on the 3rd day of June, 2020.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

FORREST EBBS

Secretary to the Planning Commission

EXHIBIT A

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH AMENDING THE ZONING MAP AND THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO APPLY AN EMERGENCY SHELTER (“ES”) ZONING OVERLAY TO SPECIFIED PROPERTIES AND ADDRESS ALTERNATE EMERGENCY SHELTER TYPES

The City Council of the City of Antioch does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1:

The City Council determined on _____, that, pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act, the project does not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment because it is directly implementing land use changes and programs already considered and adopted in the Downtown Specific Plan.

SECTION 2:

At its regular meeting of June 3, 2020, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Council adopt the Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map and Zoning Ordinance to apply an Emergency Shelter (“**ES**”) Zoning Overlay to specified properties and address alternate emergency shelter types.

SECTION 3:

The following property/properties are hereby rezoned to include an Emergency Shelter (“**ES**”) Zoning Overlay:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

SECTION 4:

The text of the Zoning Ordinance is amended as follows:

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SECTION 5:

This ordinance shall take effect and be enforced thirty (30) days from and after the date of its adoption and shall be published once within fifteen (15) days upon passage and adoption in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the City of Antioch.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the forgoing ordinance was introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Antioch, held on the _____ of _____, 2020, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting thereof, held on the _____ of _____, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:


Mayor of the City of Antioch

ATTEST:

City Clerk of the City of Antioch

Memorandum

TO: City of Antioch Planning Commission

FROM: Forrest Ebbs, Community Development Director 

DATE: June 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Public Hearing Item No. 1 – Emergency Shelter Zoning Overlay

In anticipation of the June 3, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting, the Community Development Department published a public hearing notice in the East Bay Times and sent notices to owners of all properties within 300' of each of the properties being considered for the Emergency Shelter (ES) Zoning Overlay. Since these notices, the Planning Division has received over 60 emails offering comments on this agenda item. In order to allow the Planning Commission ample time to read these comments, they are being provided today, Tuesday, June 2, 2020. This memo and these comments are also being posted on the City's website with the agenda at:

<https://www.antiochca.gov/government/agendas-and-minutes/planning-commission/>

Any additional comments that are received before 3:00 pm on Wednesday, June 3, 2020 will be distributed to the Planning Commission and/or read into the record as necessary.



Ebbs, Forrest

From: James Shurr, Jr. <shurrthang@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 10:01 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Planning Commission Meeting

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you about an agenda item for the 6/3/2020 Planning Commission meeting, specifically the Emergency Shelter Zoning Ammendment/Fitzurn Rezone. I represent the family that owns the adjacent property, Jack's Carwash at 924 Fitzurn Rd.

At issue is the rezoning of three properties in order to allow for trailers given to the city for the housing of the homeless. While I agree that something needs to be done about the homeless issue in the city of Antioch, this property is the wrong place. There are more appropriate city owned properties for this purpose.

In your report you state that said permitted use is not detrimental to the surrounding property. I disagree as I have seen what happens when a shelter or other homeless use is installed on a property, the property values decline and makes it nearly impossible to sell the property. The area is not just our business but family apartments, restaurants, single family homes, a church and several other types of business's. In addition to the values, property crime is increased. We have tried hard to clean up our business including a security company. We also do not allow overnight or extended parking, all of which will increase with your proposal.

As stated above we disagree with this proposal and do not wish for it to be enacted.

James Shurr
Jack's Carwash Manager and Administrator Shurr Family Trust(owner of property)

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Sonya Gala <sonyagala@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 5:22 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless trailers and RVs

Hello and to whom it may concern, as a resident of Antioch for over 20 years I am disheartened by this proposal. I am imploring that you rethink the placement of the homeless trailers. I get it people need to live somewhere. But our city does not need to be housing RV trailers and the like in these proposed areas. There are abandoned buildings like the old Kmart which can be turned into a homeless shelter if needed. But housing and placing and allowing RVs to park and reside in certain areas of our city is unnecessary in my opinion.

Thank you,
Sonya Gala

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Alyson Gunder <alyson.gunder@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2020 12:38 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment pr 2

The ability for citizens to "observe" the hearing is disabled. Will this be fixed in time for people to actually hear the proceedings?
Hopefully it will. Also, make it easier for people to participate. When you don't, it makes us suspicious that you don't care.

AKG

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Jane Jolivette <yayajane@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 9:29 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelters

I am writing to say I am very fearful of having so many homeless people in the Rivertown area. I live on 9th an Dst. Have lived here all my life. I'm sorry to say that the once safe neighborhood is going down hill. Adding a site to house homeless people a block from my house on 10th St scares me that there will be fights, drugs and more crimes right next to me. I also have a rental house I would like to sell, in this area and I think this will hurt property values. I agree we need more housing for people that need help in this pandemic. There must be many places in this city to chose from, maybe a larger area that is not so densely populated that might be more suitable.

Thank you for your consideration

Jane Jolivette

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Philip John Weber <weberino99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:54 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: trailer parking

To whom this concerns,

I VOTE against anymore of this "trailers for the homeless" happening on or near Deer Valley Rd. We live up the hill on the flower streets and I've walked this neighborhood for the last 3 decades. You can see the degradation that's taken place. Please, don't add to it. I can't even walk to Safeway without a ½ dozen people with "attitude" begging for food, water, or do I want, or have drugs. I say you keep them as close to our police department as possible. Maybe some of there lives might improve. I don't want or need Antioch trying to devalue my home any further. "Thanks for nothing" is my mantra. Find an empty lot or parking space nearer to an uninhabited area. Not right across the street from what should remain a nice shopping center. Who thought this was a good idea?

Philip J. Weber, ABOC
weberino99@yahoo.com
925 783 5916

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Ebbs, Forrest

From: yvonne bennett <yonibear1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:09 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless trailers location

Dear planning commissioner and city of Antioch,

Please do not put the homeless trailers across from Safeway or anywhere near the area. We are already dealing with the changes that have come from putting BART in as traffic is gridlocked and crime has increased. We're getting ready for a huge apt complex going in at Hillcrest and Wildflower which you approved, which will bring even more traffic and possibly crime. Our neighborhood has already been impacted enough for a while. Please utilize a different area of Antioch for this homeless trailer project. Perhaps a neighborhood that has not been impacted much over the years.

Thank you,
Yvonne

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Sarah Eydam <eydam5314@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 7:08 PM
To: Planning Division
Cc: Sarah Eydam
Subject: RV encampments in Antioch

Dear Sirs:

My husband and I are, respectively, 40+ & 20+yr Antioch home homeowners.
Over the years, we've watched the fabric of our blue/white collar, single family community be torn apart by politics and cooperate greed. Section eight was a big part of that.

We appreciate homelessness is an unfortunate, short term situation for some. While for most, homelessness is a chronic, complex situation involving excessive drugs & alcohol, complex mental health issues and criminal behaviors.

Now, at tax payer expense, you're going to open "RV communities" for this? There are already local RV communities available. Homeless receive government checks. Why not offer them a section of that space? Because those businesses won't allow it. That's why!

If you think you're "cleaning up" the community, by localizing the problem, you're wrong. You're increasing safety concerns for the near by school(s), businesses and surrounding community.

Not to mention, "Public hearing" is a joke in the age of COVID; politicians are taking advantage of the the health crisis.

We wholeheartedly oppose this venture!

Thank you,
David & Sarah Eydam

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Julianne Davis <jmd888@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 6:05 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Homeless trailers

Hello,

I live on tenth street in Antioch, diagonal from one of the locations you are planning to put the trailers given by the State. I am imploring you to please consider some locations in southeast Antioch. The water park is a large lot near. Schools and facilities. We have to deal with enough issues here on 10th street.

Thanks for taking the time to read this.

Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Pat Scott <mugsphs@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 5:48 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless Trailers

As a citizen of Antioch I would encourage the Planning Commission to vote against this abomination. While I believe it's a forgone conclusion even with discussion and input from the community, the Council will without the Planning Commission's approval pass the resolution. That's OK. Let the Council be responsible to the citizens for the decision and fallout. This is not in the best interests of the community. There is a cadre of Council members hell bent on inviting homeless to Antioch and providing them with services that will keep them here forever and cost this city hundreds of thousands of dollars. They support making Antioch a haven and permanent location for the homeless. Don't be part of this fiasco, stand up for what is good for our community. I await your response if it is within your ability to do so.

Respectfully,

Pat Scott

mugsphs@gmail.com

925-475-0994

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Alyson Gunder <alyson.gunder@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 4:50 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment

This amendment to the city's zoning ordinance is not in the city's best interest. The years of decline in a once nice little town is a disgrace and the fault lies directly at the feet of ineffective and regressive management, oversight and governance. This city cannot and should not further degrade itself by inviting and providing public land for this purpose. Can't you see that poorer cities are the ones that are designated for this purpose? Where are the areas designated in Orinda, Lafayette, Moraga, Blackhawk, etc.? Why Antioch and why in parts of the city already economically challenged? This should not happen and if actually put to a citizen vote, it would not pass. Stop this nonsensical amendment. Do the right thing for Antioch. Show you actually care for us.

Thanks you,
Alyson

AKG

Ebbs, Forrest

From: dawnmuse79@aol.com
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 4:42 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: RV housing for homeless in Antioch

I strongly recommend that a different solution be implemented for the large number of homeless who have managed to meander into our city.

Many are not even from California, yet we are now burdened with their care? Our governor even earmarked one billion dollars per year for this and that comes from our taxes. That's ridiculous.

They should be returned to their home states to be taken care of.

Dawn Muse

Ebbs, Forrest

From: hooch1151@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 3:43 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Dear planning commission,

Dear planning commission,

As a 40 year resident of Antioch, I am very concerned about a few locations that are being considered for recreation vehicle homeless site.

One being the A Street location the other being the 10th St. location.

I'm highly concerned for the negative impact it will have on the surrounding neighborhood. Both locations are smack dab in the middle of residential neighborhoods. These neighborhoods are not zoned for this type of use. I'm concerned of the Negative impact it will have on the property values. Not to mention the possible health hazards, anyone willing to take a drive down Weber Avenue can see for themselves The huge piles of garbage the abandon cars that are stripped down The filth and disregard for any public or private property.

I understand that we have a homeless problem here in our city but these two particular locations are wrong for this type of use.

A st already has its issues with homeless living in front of businesses tent city's set up on the the Railroad tracks. It looks horrible driving down A st. We lost Starbucks on the corner of 18th and A Street that shopping center seems to be overran by homeless. Not to mention downtown Antioch. The circle where we're supposed to have our summer concerts has become a homeless encampment. The riverfront is housing the homeless. I can go on and on. It seems Antioch City Council is more concerned about the homeless then the tax paying citizens and businesses. I hope you will consider other locations outside of residential neighborhoods.

Antioch resident,

HB

Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: griceldainiguez@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 1:23 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelter at 10th St.

My name is Noe Iniguez and as an owner of the property at 1110 D St. Antioch CA, I object to the Emergency Shelter being set up at the 10th St. Location which are adjacent to several well maintained single family homes and close to schools and a park. Dozens of young children walk to school during the school year and to the park outside of the school year. I believe another solution should be put forward, something with better security and away from public homes. We already are forced to deal with the homeless in our day to day lives, be it with them constantly panhandling and getting aggressive if they are not given money, to their constant littering and general uncleanliness. We already feel extremely unsafe because of their constant presence, not to mention the economic damage they incur upon our property values. We request the city locate a different solution that would not only take into consideration the homeless' populations needs, but also the needs of the citizens and taxpayers of the city of Antioch.

Thank you for your attention.

Noe Iniguez Sr.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Elsemarie Sbranti <elsa@sbrantirealty.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 12:26 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Cc: elsa Sbranti
Subject: 615 A st

Atten: Forrest Ebbs

I own the property attached to 615 A st on 7th. and am in the process of selling it. I need to know what I should disclose to the potential buyers as to what your plans are for this 20 foot piece of property the city owns along A street.

Elsa Sbranti
(925)-783-5304

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Mercedes Linda Stogner <mlstogner928@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:40 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless trailees

I totally oppose having these trailers in Antioch. I helped vote in this city council as I thought they would have the best intentions for Antioch but obviously this is not the case because they want to give the homeless all these freebies and the rest of us can go to Hell. I am so disgusted with the Antioch City Council. You are welcoming more homeless to our town by doing this. We are bombarded with homeless because all the other towns are sending them here. STOP SCREWING UP OUR TOWN. I moved here in 1965 and this town has went from a Wonderful community to a Hell hole!!! STOP!!!!!!!!!!

Mercedes Stogner

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Andrea Herrera <aherrera689@students.deltacollege.edu>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 11:31 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Zoning amendment

To whom it may concern,

My name is Andrea Herrera and I am a Speech-Language Pathology Assistant student at San Joaquin Delta College. I've lived in Antioch for 23 years and love my hometown. I completed K-12 in Antioch, graduating in 2011, and have commuted all over the East Bay Area for work. Over the last 12 or so years, the local communities have seen an increase in homelessness and drug abuse. One of my employers ended up relocating their business to Downton Pittsburg due to multiple accounts of arson in Antioch Rivertown in 2013. My own neighborhood is crawling with more drug dealers and suspicious persons than ever over the past 6 years. They are renting and carrying-on with their business while attracting more drug users right outside my backyard. Neighborhood kids cannot even play together outside without having to listen or see shouting-matches between the dealers and their customers. Suspicious vehicles are parked frequently next to my home at night.

I write to you to plead that no homeless trailer zones be approved by the city. Many of these people are vagrants who do not want to work in our city. Giving them places where they can gather will be detrimental to the surrounding family neighborhoods and businesses by centralizing drug users to various spots. Please help protect our families by not placing more drug abusers and homeless right in the midst of our communities.

I hope this reaches someone. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,
Andrea Herrera
518 Burwood Way
Antioch, CA 94509

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Lupe Roberts <lupegomez911@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 9:58 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Planned homeless shelters in Antioch Rivertown area

Good Evening,

I am reaching out to let you know that I do not approve of the rezoning of the 3 locations in the Rivertown area. 3 seems like an excessive amount to be in such close proximity to eachother.
Why not spread them out across the city?

Sent from [Outlook Mobile](#)

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Chintan Purohit <mailchintan@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:40 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Opinion against converting zoning for 615 A St

Dear Decision maker for parcel 615 A St,

As owner of 23 w 6th Antioch CA, I do not have much to say except report incidents that have occurred.

Below are personal experiences I've had in past four years, which had increased more recently.

1.
The litter strewn all around 6th st and B St.
2.
Dirtying the place
3.
I've picked up beer cans, half eaten lunch bags.
Attached is picture from yesterday.
4.
People urinating in empty space around intersection of 6th and A St.
5.
Break in and car window shield broken at 23 W 6th Antioch CA.

With zoning to HDR with ES will attract more nuisance, would you be for such crime enhancing activity?

6.
Drivers driving at 45 to 50 mph in 25 zone.
Drivers taking U turn at intersection of 6th St and B St

Above facts can be confirmed with all three neighbors in either directions of 23 W 6th Antioch CA.

Thank you,

Chintan Purohit

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Karen Anderson <kander24@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2020 3:28 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Rezoning of 301 W. 10th Strret

My name is Karen Anderson and I have lived on E Street since 1988. My back fence separates my property and the parking lot of 301 W. 10th which is one of the proposed sites for the RVs for the homeless. This is an old, quiet RESIDENTIAL area of downtown Antioch with many families having lived here for years. With each trailer having a capacity of 6-10 people, you will be adding anywhere between 30 to 50 people in a very small area. I fear once the trailers are there that tent and tarp shelters will soon be added, bringing in even more people. I do not want garbage being thrown into my yard, children climbing over my fence, the smell of porta potties, and as we all know, the fear of fires! I find it odd that so many on the planning commission and city council who fought hard to keep The Yard free of housing would EVER consider putting RVs into this lot! Please, please do NOT park the trailers here!

Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Karla Arauz <enjoy1044@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 2:03 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless trailers, RV parking

To: Secretary to the planning commission

I am a single mom who lives in Antioch by A street and work as a Pre-K teacher for the county and raise kids in the city of Antioch. I personally don't feel safe anymore when early in the morning I go to work and drop my kid off at school and I see homeless people sleeping on the street everywhere especially in A street and on top of that you guys trying to relocate homeless around the residential neighborhood. It is really scary. If you guys don't stop, Antioch will be a city just for the homeless because like me other neighbors sadly are thinking about moving from Antioch. So, please consider another place to relocate homeless people. For example moving them to a non-residential area. I appreciate the attention to this matter and appreciate what you are trying to do for them.

Thank you

Ebbs, Forrest

From: danlbehrens@aim.com
Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2020 10:44 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless Zoning plans

Secretary to the Planning Commission,

Here are 2 police report numbers of incidents that have taken place by suspected homeless and right across from one of your proposed homeless zones!

There is also 'rumor' surrounding cities are informing homeless people to 'go to Antioch, they have programs for you'.

Police report numbers: T20001199, T20001201

Both involve vandalism and property theft and damage.

There are serious doubts your current plans will do as desired.

Regards, Dan Behrens

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Rich Viramontes <richviramontes7069@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 7:46 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: No

No on trailers in our city, it's already bad enough downtown.

Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Marcos Giovannoni Oliveira <marcos.giovannoni@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 2:00 PM
To: Planning Division
Cc: Wright, Sean; Motts, Joy; Thorpe, Lamar; Ogorchock, Lori; Wilson, Monica
Subject: Statement of Opposition: Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment/Fitzuren Rezone

ATTN: Secretary to the Planning Commission

Please accept this email as my written statement of opposition for the proposal of the Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment to the City of Antioch to place 5 homeless trailers at the residential neighborhood locations noted below:

- Fitzuren Road: APN 067-342-013, 067-342-002, and 067-342-001.
- 301 W 10th Street: APN 067-080-038
- 615 A Street: APN 066-162-038, 007
- Fulton Shipyard Road: APN 065-020-002

<https://www.antiochca.gov/fc/community-development/planning/public-notices/PN022820.pdf>

Marcos Giovannoni

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Adriana Munoz <adriana3313@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:48 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: June 3, 2020 Public Hearing

The amount of homeless in beautiful Antioch is depleting the quality of the City. It is sad that there is a lot of homeless people but allowing them to live so close to houses is only going to increase illnesses, thieves, and vandalism. I hope the City of Antioch leaders change the proposal and do not allow all the shelters in the City. Right now, on Wilbur, Antioch/Pittsburg Highway, and by Lone Tree way are areas full of parked cars and tents with people living on them. The areas are full of garbage, so can you imagine having different areas with group of people living in tents and cars, the sanitary concerns that will create.

Best Regards,

Adriana

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Don Bright <donjoe@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 12:32 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency shelter zoning amendment

Commissioners: I am strongly opposed to a rezone of parcel (APN 066-162-038, 007) on "A" Street as it is a prime entry point to the Historic Downtown District. Likewise I strongly oppose a rezone of parcel (APN 067-080-038) as it is situated on the busy east/west traffic corridor bordered by numerous single family dwelling units and it's proximity to several schools.

The Fitzuren parcels (APN 067-342-013, 001 & 002) have some merit for the emergency shelter rezoning because it is flanked by State route 4 but it too is bordered by single family homes and thriving commercial business.

The Fulton Shipyard parcel (APN 065-020-002) has the least impact with regard to domiciles and is therefore the most favorable parcel candidate of the four.

Collectively though, these are not the optimum solution choices for emergency sheltering. I prefer one large site that is remote from homes, schools, parks and bustling commercial districts. Such a site would consolidate support services and have the least adverse effects on the community at large.

The far east end of 18th Street comes to mind as one possibility. Perhaps parcels that are not publicly owned may be negotiated for a short term lease arrangement. Many decades of citizen input planning has produced the growth blueprint that we use to make our city a better place for our citizens to thrive. Ask yourselves these questions: Are these parcels best suited for sheltering? Are they even good choices for our citizens in need? If your answer is "No", then proceed with caution and defer to the City Council (with public input) to get it right! Thank you, Don Bright, 301 W.4th St. Antioch

Ebbs, Forrest

From: danlbehrens@aim.com
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 9:54 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: More homeless zoning issues (cont

Secretary to the Planning Commission,

You should seriously reconsider your ideas about the homeless zoning proposal!

Do you monitor Nextdoor? It might be worthwhile if you took a look.

The 'plan' in theory is a noble thought, but it seems doomed. Why?

One of many, many, issues: one of the so-called 'zones' is close to a city owned yard (Fulton Shipyard) and also houses several establishments.

One of these establishments was damaged and ransacked by the suspected, very, people the zoning would 'welcome' into the area!

It is suspected the council will pay no attention to this occurrence or any other such blatant disregard for property.

Why do you not see your endeavor to take on a task you clearly can not control is going to change any of this behavior? And, additionally, it only serves to condone this sort of violent behavior.

I have a question for the 'council': if this was occurring in your front yard

how would you feel, how would you re-act, what would you do?

Your 'band aids' will (and have not) worked. This zoning one will fail too. That is not solving the problem, rather it is encouraging more issues to develop in Antioch!

Do your jobs or run the risk of being voted out!

Sincerely,

Dan Behrens

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Al Mason <almason_2004@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2020 7:55 AM
To: Planning Division
Cc: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Emergency Shelter (ES) parcels proposed

As a nearby homeowner, I am opposed to the ES Zoning Overlays proposed for both the 10th and A Street locations which are proximate to well-maintained single family homes.

Allowing ES RV parks in these locations would cause decline to mine and other nearby owners' property values and adversely impact our quality of life. Additionally the wholesomeness of nearby City Park would be sorely affected by having emergency RV shelters so close-by.

I respectfully submit that alternative ES sites such as the former Food 4 Less and Kmart locations would be less disruptive to current residents, easier to manage and appropriately distant from single family homes, parks and schools.

Al Mason
Former Planning Commissioner
Owner: 222 W 10th St. & 405 W 8th St.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: M G <mgonz64@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 11:12 PM
To: Planning Division
Cc: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Notice of Public Hearing June 3, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Just wondering why the City of Antioch is planning to open homeless shelter zonings in Fitzuren Road, in 301 West 10th Street, in 615 A street, and in Fulton Shipyard road?

Why are all locations in downtown and not towards south town area? This is not good planning, more people show up when there is not enough beds. I hope the City is prepared to get people off the street.

I grew up in Antioch since I was 5-1/2 yrs old and have seen it grow since 1970. I have always thought the Rivertown gem is under appreciated. Now I realize that it *could be* that, except for the ongoing poor decisions made by our city council.

Is there better money for the City of Antioch to build homeless shelters rather than save our businesses and tax revenue?

Why is the City of Antioch vested in bringing in the homeless to the city by making it more attractive for them to be here? The City has sold the vacant strip mall on Delta Fair to the County for \$1 to build a transitional living facility. In Antioch, the homeless have more rights than do the tax paying residents.

Antioch is losing businesses to Oakley and Brentwood. That is money lost for Antioch. Same thing years ago on the property where Target and the car dealerships are in Pittsburg off Somersville. Antioch sat for years deciding whether to buy the properties and eventually, Pittsburg gobbled it up. Now, stores, restaurants and car dealerships are all Pittsburg revenue.

It seems Antioch has it's own agenda for whatever reason and the citizens don't have much say in it. You can go to council meetings and fight for what you believe in, they may act as if they are listening and don't pass the item. But, they'll wait a bit and it will come back around and go through. Raise our taxes, but run our businesses out of town and cry we have no money. Antioch got money for having so many section 8s in the City and I can only assume they will be paid nicely for these homeless shelters. I guess that is how they chose to make their money. We already have problems with so many Section 8 living here, crime is up and homeless is already in Antioch; encampment in Southeast Antioch. Homeless come here to Antioch from places like Hayward and Oakland. Not all homeless want help and those who don't will just be hanging around getting money and food from where ever they can. If they are desperate or drugged up enough even a "nice guy" will steal destroy property. Paula's Family Florist on A St lost almost everything in a fire started by a homeless person. Took over a year to get up and running again. Very sad. The man was caught and convicted for a short time.

There is the whole empty base at Port Chicago. I have always wondered why that can't be turned into a homeless facility. They could have an overflow tent section, while waiting to get a bed. It is out of the way. But the County is looking to build some sort of college/university at this location instead 🙄

These are my concerns and I oppose the City of Antioch to open homeless shelter zonings.

Sincerely,
Martha Gonzalez

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Tina Hoyer <tinahoyer@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 8:49 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelter Zoning

As a resident of Antioch, I would like to voice my concern about the locations of the shelters. The Fitzuren location would be next to a thriving business, something which Antioch desperately needs to maintain, and also next to houses and schools. The A street and 10th are also near tax paying citizens houses, many have been in those houses for several years. These encampments would bring trash to these beautiful areas. As well as drug use, urination, defecation, property destruction, crime and begging for money. All of this would literally occur next to law abiding families trying to raise children. We've already seen several fires started this year in Antioch caused by the homeless. How could you in good faith sleep at night knowing you may be putting families at risk of losing their home or even of death because one of their fires got out of control and burned down a house!
Please do not pass these locations as emergency shelters!

Tina Hoyer
133 Russell dr
Antioch

Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: George Davis <gdavis3113@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 7:08 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless trailers

This is just fantastic news! Trailers for the homeless! And who will maintain these trailers and clean up all the garbage? I suppose our taxes will go to feed all these people and pay utilities too? Yay!! Just add this to the preposterous mess that Antioch has made with Section 8. Antioch has the most Section 8's in the county, thanks to, I hear, Mary Rocha.

Have any of you people taken a ride through our lovely city lately? Most neighborhoods already look like garbage dumps. Thanks for adding to the scenery.

If it weren't for our health insurance we would move out of here right now.

George and Pat Davis
Antioch

Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: 3209 <menesini1@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 6:37 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless Placement

Please do not degrade this city any more than it already has been. Section 8 has already turned Antioch into the least desirable city in Contra Costa County. The City's absurd idea of placing Homeless Trailers in the suggested locations will further send this city to ruin. If this horrible plan moves forward, the only thing I would say is congratulations for completely destroying Antioch. You will only have yourselves to blame when all of the residents that pay taxes leave this failing city. The people that manage this city have truly failed Antioch.
Thanks for all of the bad decisions over the years. Why stop now?

Sent from my iPhone
Matt Menesini

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Renee Swanson <ellarenee1@icloud.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 6:17 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless

I plead with you not to put homeless trailers in our city. I can't go anywhere in Antioch and not see the homeless, begging, tents, trash and people urinating. I am afraid and embarrassed to live in this city. It's time The city council do something about the homeless Population or all of you need to be voted out.

Renee Swanson

Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Brenda D'Amico <brenxk8@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 6:03 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homeless

Why don't you use the old Kmart parking lot for homeless or the building as a Navigation Center. Make single little apartments inside. Have the people have chores inside & out. Have a learning center or teach vocations.
Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Sofia <sofia7193@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 5:52 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment for Homeless Trailers, RV Parking

Hello,

As I was priced out of San Jose, I moved to Antioch six years ago. During that time I've seen the city go down hill. The homeless trailers and RVs have no respect for the community that they park in. Prime example is driving down Wilbur. It's used as a dumping ground by these people. I try not to use that road for fear of getting a flat or something happening.

I vehemently oppose the homeless RV and trailer parking that is being proposed.

Sofia Vallez
Lake Alhambra
408-802-3068

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Jess Cassettari <jesscassettari@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 5:26 PM
To: Planning Division
Cc: Wright, Sean; Motts, Joy; Thorpe, Lamar; Ogorchock, Lori; Wilson, Monica
Subject: Statement of Opposition: Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment/Fitzuren Rezone

ATTN: Secretary to the Planning Commission

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Jessica Cassettari

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Pat Fernandez <pfernandez53@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 4:57 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: DECLINE

I am a taxpayer, homeowner and essential worker. I work everyday and drive by the messes the homeless have created with disgust.

Why has the city of Antioch allowed this to happen? You have done nothing to prevent it, and now want to add to the problem by putting them all over the place. Every site you want to place them on is too close to somewhere it shouldn't be. Close to senior citizens, close to schools, close to grocery stores, restaurants, etc. They need to be moved away from Antioch. They have proven they don't want your help.

Take a drive down Wilbur Ave. Garbage everywhere, stripped cars, stolen things everywhere, no social distancing, reeks of marijuana. Are any of the locations you listed in your neighborhoods?

Stop giving our city away to people who don't care about anyone or anything. I am sure all of us taxpaying citizens would appreciate some assistance in keeping our own neighborhoods safe and clean, to protect the homes we have worked most of our lives to have.

This will definitely not get you re-elected.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Kimberli Gutierrez <qimie5@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 1:31 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Shelter locations

Hi. My name is Kimberli Gutierrez and I've lived in Antioch for the last 22 years. While Antioch has never been perfect, I've noticed that it is getting increasingly worse when it comes to homelessness, garbage, and crime. The increased crime rate cannot just be attributed to the homeless, but there is no denying that they make an already bad situation worse. Many of the people who have lived here a long time want to live in a clean, pleasant city. If you put all these homeless shelters in then the problem will become worse. I realize that you are trying to find a solution, but surely there are places that are further away from our neighborhoods that you can place these shelters. I don't want a shelter on Fitzuren because the homeless situation there is already bad. If you put a shelter there it will make an already bad situation worse. I live about 2 blocks away from Fitzuren and walk my dog up that way. It's already kind of scary to walk there in the morning. In the late afternoon or early evening it's downright frightening! I'm sure the people in the other planned shelter locations are feeling the same way. We all understand that homeless people need to be somewhere. But do they really have to be put somewhere that will not only devalue our property, but will make the already high crime rate and filthy streets worse? I think it's a terrible idea to put these shelters near our nice neighborhoods. Please consider locating them further away from housing developments and apartments.

Thank you,
Kimberli Gutierrez
Concerned Antioch Citizen

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Cheryl Chambers <cheryl9000@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 12:56 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Antioch Preparing for Emergency Shelter Zoning Amendment for Homeless Trailers, RV Parking

I STRONGLY OPPOSE this idea of housing even more homeless in Antioch. It's already out of control as it is, and this will basically invite even more homeless people to our town. We are already having major issues with the homeless breaking into cars, and stealing our mail, not to mention the disgusting mess they leave. The filth, IV and other drug use is growing rapidly throughout the city.

Cheryl Chambers

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Louise <grngirls@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 11:51 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Displace trailer sights

I just wanted to give a couple suggestion. I am ok with the Fitzerin sight and the Fulten shipyard. The other to are to close to established neighborhoods and school. We need to be careful in the placement of these dwellings. Will these spots be limited to those that have been granted access or will any and all be allowed to come in through out the day for food and showers. Will there me staff that monitor these areas ?

The reason I ask is because in Stockton it has gotten out of hand.

Not to many in the actual shelter but all around the surrounding streets tents and homeless are living close by through the neighborhood. Knowing they can pop in for food and showers.

I am all for helping but not at the cost of disrupting established neighbor hoods. Everything has to be thought over carefully before initiated.

Louise Green

Sent from Xfinity Connect Application

Ebbs, Forrest

From: KATHERYN HASHIMI <khashimi@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 11:35 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Opposition of proposed site for homeless trailer placement

Dear Planning commission,

As a homeowner and Antioch resident since 2001 I have seen many negative changes to our city in recent years. Crime has been on the rise as well as blight. I would like to see that change and be able to continue to stay in this community. The amount of good citizens still living here as homeowners is dwindling as time goes on because of it and people are just packing and leaving.

When I moved to Antioch from the Bay Area I found it to be a comfortable small town with a promising future for my kids and I. After reading about the proposed 5 homeless trailers that were received from the state it has only raised more concern for the safety of our community and opportunities to thrive here.

Of concern is the locations nearest to us which are the [Deer Valley across from Safeway](#) as this is the grocery store we frequent.

As it is sometimes there are a few bad seeds lurking around the vicinity of the shopping center making it for an uncomfortable shopping experience. But to add trailers of people with unknown investments to our community it will make it even worse. As our city is small we would be forced at that location to be faced with the knowledge that we are forced to deal with a very negative atmosphere for families.

I implore you to please not consider using this location for the homeless. It will only exacerbate crime and a negative community environment that is already on the demise.

Another very bad location for the trailers is the [Lone Tree Way near the Community Center](#). This center is the only one we have that kids and young adults and seniors can use to enhance their social and educational needs. Not to mention that the Deer Valley High School is just across the street. Please do not place homeless trailers near our most vulnerable members of the community to be exposed to unknown difficult and dangerous activity.

As a taxpayer and longstanding Antioch citizen I vote against the proposal to have these homeless trailers.

Many thanks for your diligent attention to my request I pray that the city will weigh heavily the negative impact it will create if you move forward with placing homeless trailers in our most vital areas of dwelling.

Sincerely,

Katheryn Hashimi

Ebbs, Forrest

From: monica the administrafor <moniczackery82@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 11:33 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency Homeless Shelter

I'm totally against this!!! The city of Antioch currently has an erroneous homeless population. This community is littered with trash and vagrants begging in the side if the road. This is very disturbing in my eyes. I'm a tax paying citizen and highly disappointed how i've seen this community plunder over the past 12 years. I'm begging council not to move forward with this. It's bad enough I cant go to Kroger without homeless drug addicts panhandling. Or seeing them sitting on corners nodding off or just throwing litter throughout the community.

Please reconsider and oppose this action.

Thank you

Monica Zackery

Ebbs, Forrest

From: guevara7 <guevara7@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 8:24 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: RE: The 3 Parcels on Fitzuren Rd.

Dear Secretary to the Planning Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to express our opinion regarding the 3 Parcels on Fitzuren Rd. The following are reasons why we oppose this proposal.

****Fitzuren Rd.** is a very busy street with heavy auto traffic. It's a main artery that connects to Tregallas, where the main large Post Office is located and it connects to G Street, which is another main artery/ roadway.

****Fitzuren** is also in the midst of 3 main schools; Antioch High School, Marsh Elementary School, and Park Middle School. When school is in session, we have students from all 3 schools and some parents with their strollers, escorting their students to school and home again through Fitzuren. All 3 areas around these schools and residence are DRUG - FREE ZONES AND NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH. There's also a Delta learning Tutoring Service, a private school-- STARLIGHT ACADEMY, a day care center at The First Christian Church on the corner of Tregallas. Plus Marsh Elementary has an after school day care program. On weekends Skipolinis is completely full and have cars lined up on both sides of Fitzuren Rd. There's 5 homes, 2 apartment complexes located across the street from the parcels. There's also a liquor store a Grace Temple church, a bus stop and other business in the area which can be affected by the homeless. There is a direct link between substance abuse, alcohol, mental health and homelessness..

****Did you know** that homeless housing located in neighborhoods that are clustered within urban, HIGH - DENSITY POPULATION areas severely and negatively impact those areas?! The City of Antioch does have other options. There are other vacant lots, such as lots in industrial areas or on the outskirts of town where there are NO SCHOOLS..

***** Our biggest concern** is the SAFETY OF ALL THE CHILDREN in this area.. The 3 main schools mentioned and their surrounding areas are all DRUG - FREE ZONES, protected by law..SO HOW CAN A HOMELESS SHELTER BE LOCATED IN A DRUG - FREE ZONE? (SEE--- http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=199920000AB824) [oops sorry, when highlighted by the computer the underscore doesn't show, so please add it between bill and id to see the law]. The City would be opening itself up to major lawsuits if anything should happen as a result of drug use, the sale of drugs, and/ or violence in any of these units/ trailers. This is especially true if it involves minors. This existing law makes it a felony punishable by imprisonment and provides additional terms of imprisonment in the state prison if the offense involved specified controlled substances and occurred during specified hours in specified locations, such as a church, playground, synagogue, youth center, child day care facility, public or private elementary, vocational school, junior high, or high school --- which this area contains all of these!!!

Sincerely,

Robert (Humberto Jr.) & Victoria Guevara
Joshua & Andrea Guevara

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Karen Anderson <kander24@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 7:40 AM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Re: Emergency Zoning Amendment

Thank you for replying. I would like to receive a comment card. Hopefully it will do some good, as I know some council members already have their minds made up! I will also be emailing each one of them.

Sent from my iPad

> On May 26, 2020, at 4:16 PM, Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us> wrote:
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> Ms. Anderson,
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> The City is considering multiple sites for the placement of four trailers that would be used to house homeless families. In order to do this, the zoning must be changed. The Planning Commission is making a recommendation to the City Council regarding this zoning change. The City Council will then take final action at a future meeting. You will receive another postcard notice for that meeting. Please let me know if you have any question or would like to submit a comment letter.
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> Forrest B. Ebbs
> Community Development Director
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> C: (925) 779-7038
> ☎: (925) 779-7034
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Karen Anderson <kander24@comcast.net>
> Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 2:15 PM
> To: Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us>
> Subject: Emergency Zoning Amendment
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> I received the letter today regarding rezoning certain parcels of land. Is this to provide shelter for the homeless? Is it just for during the pandemic or is it a long term solution?
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> Karen Anderson
>
> Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Stephanie Scales <wherethouartbeauty@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 28, 2020 1:01 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Strongly oppose shelter locations on Deer Valley and Lone Tree Way

Good evening,

I first want to inform you that I do truly want those who are hurting and need help with shelter to get the help they need.

However, placing people who have hard times with no responsibility of keeping anything cleaned and placing them in locations close to Safeway and the community center is insane and lacks major common sense.

Where would their trash go besides on the ground where it will attract rodents and rats. Where would they obtain water, electricity and facilities to use the restrooms at? Or would human feces be left on the ground like downtown Antioch????

Seriously, we as a community really need our leaders to lead with common sense and check these areas out for themselves.

Some of these people not all but some have more issues than just being homeless, they are also on drugs and/or have mental health issues that need to be addressed.

Why are we not making sure to have some accountability of the people needing shelter in making them follow an agenda while getting back on their feet?

If you're giving people a hand out without them having to have any accountability to the community in keeping their trailers clean, themselves clean, being respectful and working to regain being apart of the community and contributing than you are just wasting our tax payer dollars down the drain.

You do know that Safeway has had to hire security and have had to limit their hours PRIOR to covid19 due to homeless hanging out in front of the store, harassing shoppers and leaving trash and you think it's a sensible choice to make the situation worse by parking trailers across from Safeway? This makes no sense or better yet the community center so that breakins can happen and vandalism can take place.

How can you say you want Antioch to be better when you keep doing things to make it worse and think that throwing money at the problem is the answer. Its not, what you are doing is upsetting our community, causing division and then making us pay higher taxes for your choices and mistakes.

If you truly feel they should be parked at these places why not offer up your drive way or home??? Its amazing their is complete silence on making sure to hold people accountable when they have given up on life and they have no desire to do whatever it is they can to become better.

We need to make sure that it's not hand outs but a hand up meaning that you need to make sure that accountability is being held for them with taking care of their property in the designated areas and then work on getting them off of being homeless and to make tough changes in the way of thinking, behaving and putting a better foot forward. Is it easy? Definitely not, but being distructive and destroying your environment isn't either and is even worse!!!!

Clearly if you go downtown you see that has not been happening. I have seen human feces out on the street and trash that is just left their by people who don't care!!!!

Once again I strongly oppose the locations off of Lone Tree Way and Deer Valley. It really seems like you all don't want Antioch to thrive and be beautiful while helping those in need and getting them back off their feet with enlisting them to be also held accountable.

Accountability is everything and you all are surely missing that part on so many levels. Very disappointing. Maybe you all need to speak to other leaders who have made changes or are making changes and improving their community.

Because from what I am seeing Brentwood and Oakley sure are making moves to bring greater prospects and jobs while Antioch is closing down buildings and just ok sitting on real estate.

Get it together Please!!!!

Sincerely,
Disappointed Resident of lack of leadership in Antioch.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Marissa Cuevas <mcuevas74@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 9:29 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Opposed to Proposed Homeless Encampments

Dear Planning Commission,

We hereby submit our opposition with the decision to allow homeless encampments in our Antioch neighborhoods. I am a military veteran, married 25 years and have raised our now 4 adult children in Antioch. We moved here in 1997 to start our family and over the years, began to see the increase in crime as the section 8 housing was implemented into the what used to be nice neighborhoods. Antioch is now filled with newer homes with couches, trash and unattended yards with no pride of ownership. The neighborhoods are filled with pan handlers, drugs, drug trafficking, prostitution, car jacking, home invasions, robberies and murders. Not only have we witnessed many crimes throughout the 23 years living here but also have been victims of several crimes. Yes, we do have the choice to sell and relocate but we have lived in our home that we have put so much time and effort into remodeling and take so much pride in our work, raising our kids and now grandkids that it would be a sad day to have to start over. It's unfortunate that the homeless are in their situation but there must be a different solution. Antioch is already burdened with so much crime and the city has really taken a turn for the worse. We've lived here before the Walmart was built, when it was a small little family town, now it's a crime ridden city. Even Safeway on Deervalley has to separate the alcoholic beverages and post a security guard in the store due to so many thefts. My son was robbed at the Antioch Mall, my daughters car was stolen in front of our house, my wife was threatened while loading groceries with our then small children, my youngest son was threatened in front of our house. These are just a few incidences over the years. We have to remain vigilant with our neighbors always looking out for each others homes and vehicles just to feel somewhat safe on our street (Botelho St) . The encampments you propose will be right the corner from our home and places we frequently shop. It's unfair to all of the hard working citizens to have to deal with this on a daily basis and now it WILL become worse. As part of the Ring Cam community, we receive daily notifications of all the crimes in the neighborhoods within 1 mile and there are more than we can read each day, most of them likely unreported and unsolved. Please reconsider your plans because it will only eventually drive out all of the working class. Many neighbors I've spoken to recently are discussing selling and moving to cleaner and safer cities if something is not done soon. I too cannot continue to allow my family to live in such fear and will sell if this encampment is allowed.

Sincerely,
Antioch Resident

Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: STEPHANIE LOCKETT <stephlockett@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 8:12 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Plan for emergency shelter

Enough! Please do not consider emergency shelter/relocating trailers in Antioch neighborhoods. It is not fair to tax paying citizens to have their property values negatively impacted by unkempt property, garbage, increased crime by others who have no investment or obligation.

Stephanie Lockett
Antioch resident, 22 years

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Ebbs, Forrest

From: danlbehrens@aim.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 8:06 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Public Hearing June 3 2020 - homeless shelter zones 2nd email

Secretary to the Planning Commission,

And why were only addresses within 300 feet of these terrible locations sent notifications when in fact it involves 'all' of Antioch as a city?
Trying to seek this past, maybe??

Shame on you!

Regards,

Dan Behrens

Ebbs, Forrest

From: blazinglight@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 6:44 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: comments on homeless housing solution

Mr. Febbs:

I am unable to attend the public hearing on June 3rd because of work commitments, but I want my comments noted.

Why are the homeless congregating here in Antioch? Surely, all of them are not from Antioch. How about returning them to the cities from which they wandered in or were dropped off. Lets have THOSE cities take care of them with housing, health care, food, etc.?

What's more, a large number of the homeless are not even from California but were sent here with a one-way ticket via Greyhound and the "Operation Bus Therapy" program. I have relatives and friends in other states bragging how now their homeless are now California's problem. This is insanity.

Upon hearing of this RV housing availability for the homeless, businesses are leaving Antioch and who can blame them!

It doesn't matter if the city owns some properties and plan to plant the homeless there, we are one city and doing that devalues our properties and that we will not stand for.

Sincerely
Christina Milburn
52 East Madill Street
Antioch 94509

(924) 584-5847

Ebbs, Forrest

From: lyle williams <lyle9599@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 6:36 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Zoning change for homeless.

Don't you see what the homeless do now to any area they take up residence. Instead of giving them everything, make them work for it. Require them to clean up all the messes they make and have made. I was taught nothing is free, you have to work for everything. Teach them that instead of giving it to them! If you want to put homeless somewhere, put at your home or neighborhood. Not close to seniors and buisnesses that they steal from. Put them in remote areas away from neighborhoods.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Phyllis machado <phyllis.machado@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 5:21 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: AGAINST

Why is the Anioch City Council so ready to help the homeless population, who mostly does not want help. Why are they here in the first place? This isn't new, been here way to long. Time to spread the wealth outside of Antioch.
Give Antioch back to us, stop trying to give it to them.

[Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Rich <richfishon@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 4:58 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Homelessness

Spread the wealth.

They can't be all downtown. How about the water park property. Downtown is already taking the brunt of this issue. Literally- 10th st, AST, Fulton not a fair plan.

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Patricia Prevost <shasta925@hotmail.com> on behalf of Patricia Prevost <fpprevost@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 4:17 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: homeless proposal

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

To City Council,

I think I understand that you are trying to use city owed properties to save \$\$ for a homeless solution. But really? These are all highly visible, prime properties near residential properties, senior living facilities, shopping centers not to mention in areas with prime views of our waterways. Bad enough it is not comfortable walking the downtown area as it is now.

Now think about the person coming in to renovate the downtown and Riverview and now you want to create a mess of the open lots and roads with homeless encampments, pardon me, the 'unhoused'. They should just love having all that near the establishments they are trying to create to make our city appealing again. Give the town and residents a break and place the homeless in an area that is out of sight of homes and people you are trying to encourage to come to Antioch and "make it great again". Use your brain and common sense and keep the our city clean and safe for all. Please review the areas you are speaking about, look at what they would be close to. Protect our residents and our river views. Our river and property values.

The old K mart area would be good area, good control over the situation these people are in. Another question, who is going to oversee this proposal and keep the areas clean and safe? We all know the homeless (unhoused) aren't very good at that.

Take an evening walk around downtown, take in the sights, drive by other suggested areas and imagine your home within 300 feet of the proposed areas.

Do you want your grandmother walking from the senior housing to Safeway and having to pass through the homeless encampment or going to the senior center near The Yard? Or all those people who might want to go to Smith's Landing or launching a boat at the new launch ramp having to pass through the area of an encampment. Do you this will make people want to come here?

Thank you.
Patricia Prevost
53 year resident

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Annette Gonzalez <anngon@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 12:47 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Re: Homeless Town

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 27, 2020, at 12:32 PM, Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us> wrote:

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> Annette,

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> The meeting will be on June 3, 2020 and can be viewed from the

> Planning website at:

> [https://www.antiochca.gov/community-development-department/planning-di](https://www.antiochca.gov/community-development-department/planning-d)

> vision/ After the meeting, minutes will be produced or you can request

> information the next day. You can also submit a letter any time directly to me and I will forward it to the Planning Commission. Please note that the Planning Commission is making a recommendation to the City Council who will make a final decision on June 23.

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> Forrest B. Ebbs

> Community Development Director

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> C: (925) 779-7038

> F: (925) 779-7034

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Annette Gonzalez <anngon@comcast.net>

> Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 12:22 PM

> To: Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us>

> Subject: Re: Homeless Town

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> Live on West 8th. How do I go about getting names and titles of those voting on planning committee. I believe this should be a public record.

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> kind Regards

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> Annette

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> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On May 26, 2020, at 6:21 PM, Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us> wrote:
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>> Annette,
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>> The City is considering multiple locations. Do you live near Fitzuren Road?
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>> Forrest Ebbs
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>> On 5/26/20, 6:09 PM, "Annette Gonzalez" <anngon@comcast.net> wrote:
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>> There are way too many locations for homeless shelter in Antioch and I am against it. I plan to get a list of everyone who is voting and involved in this planning and post in social media and repost prior to elections showing who was in favor and not in favor.
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>> This concentration will hurt property values and want you to consider this carefully for I will follow through and if it goes in favor not to have homeless shelter in Antioch that news and information will be posted too.
>> Sent from my iPhone
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Ebbs, Forrest

From: danlbehrens@aim.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Public Hearing June 3 2020 - homeless shelter zones

Secretary to the Planning Commission,

No! Terrible locations, terrible idea!

Sincerely,
Dan Behrens

Ebbs, Forrest

From: JULIANNE <jmd888@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 27, 2020 8:25 AM
To: Planning Division
Subject: 10th street shelter

I am a home owner on 10th street between C and D streets. We deal with enough issues here with speeding and multiple car crashes. Please do not put a homeless shelter on our street. I just got a notice that our taxes are going up also. This really makes me angry.

Sent from Xfinity Connect Application

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Lady Kathi Mills <ladykathi@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 7:03 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Oppose!!!! Please Do Not Bring The Homeless to ANTIOCH!!!

I bought a house here hoping to have a healthy, clean neighborhood, we do not need this, I am begging you please do not build any homeless shelters here!!!!!!

Lady Kathi
(925) 360-6509

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Annette Gonzalez <anngon@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 6:04 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: Re: Want to attend meeting regarding Homeless Shelters

Thank you. It is too concentrated in downtown Antioch which has issues already. There are other locations and I will post to every available social media who are the voters and decision makers and repost prior to election. I feel using downtown Antioch hoping for little resistance but this just lowers property values. The shelters should not be concentrated to hurt your taxpayers and homeowners.

Do you have or any voting members have a homeless shelter around their homes I will learn if they are affected.

Think about this carefully. You are making River town Homeless town

Sent from my iPhone

> On May 26, 2020, at 4:06 PM, Ebbs, Forrest <febbs@ci.antioch.ca.us> wrote:

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> Ms. Gonzalez,

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> It will not be an in-person meeting, but there is an opportunity to provide written comments through email to the Planning Commission or through a comment form that is available during the meeting. There will be a staff report posted this Friday that describes the whole project. In short, the City Council will be considering putting an Emergency Shelter zoning overlay at one of several sites throughout the City. If this is done, the City could place trailers to house homeless people or families at the chosen location. The Planning Commission will be making a recommendation on one, all, or none of the site to the City Council at its meeting next week. The City Council will then consider taking a real action at a future meeting, likely in late June. If you would like to provide a written comment by email, you can email the Planning Commission at planning@ci.antioch.ca.us and it will be read at the meeting. Please let me know if you have any other questions.

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> Forrest B. Ebbs

> Community Development Director

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Annette Gonzalez <anngon@comcast.net>

> Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 3:59 PM

> To: Planning Division <Planning@ci.antioch.ca.us>

> Subject: Want to attend meeting regarding Homeless Shelters
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> Is there a link online or is it a meeting I can physically attend..
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> Annette Gonzalez
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> Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Annette Gonzalez <anngon@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 5:57 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: List of decision makers

As a tax payer I would like the minutes and every official name who is voting on this.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Jane Jolivette <yayajane@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020 5:07 PM
To: Planning Division
Subject: Emergency ShelterZoning Amendment

I am not in favor with two of the locations that have been proposed for shelters. The 301 10th St and the 615 A St. It's too close to many homes. The Fulton Shipyard would be a better choice and maybe the Fitzuren Rd. I live on 9th St, very close to 10th St location and would be afraid of what it would do to the neighborhood. Crime, drugs property values etc. I know we need to house the homeless but how about the Fairgrounds?
Thanks for your consideration, Jane Jolivette Sent from my iPad

Ebbs, Forrest

From: Jose loza <lozaangel27@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 22, 2020 3:01 PM
To: Ebbs, Forrest
Subject: What is being proposed

I received something in the mail about something being proposed and do not really understand it I was wondering if you could tell me what it is about