

Shelter to Housing Continuum S2HC

S2HC project page:

"The project will further fair housing, expand shelter and housing options, and improve city code to aid shelter and housing providers."

<https://www.portland.gov/bps/s2hc>

Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Proposed Draft

REVISIONS TO SHELTER AND GROUP LIVING REGULATIONS

<https://www.portlandmaps.com/bps/mapapp/proposals/#/s2hc>

You can add testimony here:

<https://www.portlandmaps.com/bps/testify/#/s2hc>

Tips for testimonies

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1sVufy8SoAhdT85MVRoapK3EBT-0pS0dOIPUBPegM9gQ/edit>

S2HC is a project from City of Portland, led by the Bureau of Planning & Sustainability and begun in late 2018, to "**retool City codes to better address the homelessness crisis.**" More specifically, to:

"Help make more **low-barrier**, entry-level, **temporary** shelter available to more persons experiencing, or about to experience, a loss of housing;

1. Provide for more **longer-term transitional shelters** with onsite supportive services;
2. Allow construction of a wider variety of more **affordable types of permanent housing**, particularly forms of group / shared housing.
3. Allow accommodations sited as temporary emergency uses to be reviewed and considered for approval through permanent code provisions."

-- ([S2HC Discussion Draft, Vol. 1 - Introduction](#), Oct 2020).

We are facing concurrent crises, from looming evictions to increasing homelessness. Now more than ever, we need to get this code change right.

We are asking the PSC to:

- **Extend** the housing emergency and take more time to improve this code change. Preserve City Council's current authority to declare a housing emergency.
- **Allow** Outdoor Shelters in Open Space zones and in right-of-way.
- Increase the number of beds allowed in short term shelters by right to 40 beds in RM1, RMP and IR zones.
- **Allow Group Living by right** in *existing* residential structures of any size. In low-density zones, increase the number of sleeping rooms allowed without triggering the Group Living category.
- Not count occupied RVs against the number of ADUs allowed on a site.
- Relax conditional-use review requirements for shelters.
- Allow accommodation types in Outdoor Shelters to include RVs, Tiny Houses on Wheels, and other types of shelter/housing.

Here is an example of testimony that was submitted by Portland: Neighbors Welcome'

<https://www.portlandmaps.com/bps/testimony/item.cfm#itemID=216351>

Related info

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