Emergency Shelter Plan

Felix Rivera, Committee Chair
• Timeline
• Administration Emergency Shelter Plan
• Emergency Shelter Task Force Preliminary Recommendations
• Emergency Shelter Plan
TIMELINE

- **June 2, 2022**: Announcement that Sullivan will be closing on June 30
- **June 24, 2022**: Email to Assembly regarding Centennial Park Campground
- **July 12, 2022**: Assembly plan announced
- **July 26, 2022**: Assembly plan approved
- **August 17, 2022**: Expected presentation on the emergency shelter plan
TIMELINE

August 17, 2022
Assembly action to create the Emergency Shelter Task Force (ESTF)

August 22, 2022
First meeting of the ESTF

August 31, 2022
Administration releases emergency shelter plan

September 6, 2022
ESTF outreach begins on initial properties under consideration

September 7, 2022
Assembly review of administration’s emergency shelter plan
TIMELINE

- September 9, 2022: Rivera letter on Golden Lion to ESTF
- September 14, 2022: ESTF consensus on preliminary recommendations
- September 16, 2022: Release of ESTF report on preliminary recommendations to Assembly and administration
- September 16, 2022: ESTF outreach on preliminary recommendations
- September 21, 2022: Housing and Homelessness Committee Review of ESTF preliminary recommendations
OCTOBER 1
Administration’s Plan:
- Option A: portable self-contained buildings, November, Winter 23/24
- Option B: micro-grants, 1 applicant, after October 1
- Option C: navigation center, November
- Option D: Spenard and Fairview Rec Centers, rescinded
Tier 1 Menu:
- Golden Lion
- Dempsey or Boeke Ice Arenas
- Sullivan Arena
- Dena’ina or Egan Centers
- Spenard and Fairview Recreation Centers
- Expand existing program capacity
Tier 1 Recommendations:
- Golden Lion
- Dempsey Ice Arena
- Brother Francis Shelter
- Covenant House
- Bean’s Café (Midtown)
Tier 2 Menu:
- Arctic Recreation Center
- Alex Hotel
- Former Alaska Native Charter School
- Former GCI Call Center
- Salvation Army Gym
- Former DMV Benson Boulevard
- Hotel master leases and conversions for housing
LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS
Facilitated Process:
- Complex Care Facility
- Guest House Inn

ARPA 2 Process:
- Hotel conversions and other housing opportunities through the Rasmuson Foundation
- Covey Lofts and Covey Academy through Covenant House
ARPA 2 Process, Continued:
- Permanent supportive housing through Providence Alaska
- Landlord housing partnership through United Way
- Community Resource Center through Shiloh Community Development
- Re-homing Veterans Project through the Eagle River Elks Lodge #2682
Unknowns:
- Navigation Center, back before Assembly on October 25
- Assembly Retreat outcomes
Emergency Shelter Plan:
- Increase capacity at BFS of 20 individuals
- Increase capacity at Covenant House of 25 individuals
- Semi-congregate sheltering at Bean’s Café of 40 individuals
Emergency Shelter Plan:
- Use of former Golden Lion as housing of 120 individuals
- Congregate sheltering at the Sullivan Arena of 150 individuals (first to demobilize)
Coming Soon:
- appropriations that deal with additional security, graffiti, and supports at the Sullivan Arena and former Golden Lion
SENSE OF THE ROOM
- Support ALL parts of plan
- Support SOME parts of plan
- DON’T support use of Sullivan
- DON’T support use of Golden Lion
THANK YOU