

**Wednesday, October 18**

**11am -12:30pm**

# **HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE**

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# IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY COLD WEATHER SHELTER (ECWS)

## Logistics

- How many people are registered to participate in ECWS?
- How many people actually moved into ECWS beds?
- How many beds are full at the Alex Hotel?
- How many beds are left at the Alex Hotel?
- How many beds are full at the Aviator Hotel?
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# IMPLEMENTATION OF ECWS: LOGISTICS CONTINUED

- Have the beds at the old SWS admin building come online?
- If not, what is the projected timeline?
- NEW QUESTION: Will the administration be requesting via AR that the Assembly approve an increase in beds at SWS from 150 to some unknown number?
- When will the navigation services be turned on at SWS?
- What navigation services, specifically, will be turned on?
- What providers, specifically, will be providing those navigation services?
- How will people experiencing homelessness be notified when the SWS beds come online?
- NEW QUESTION: Is there an update on the third-party oversight?

# IMPLEMENTATION OF ECWS: ABATEMENT

- NEW QUESTION: In light of the media report that current ECWS beds will be full on October 18, will the administration continue with its abatement efforts at 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave and other encampments?
- NEW QUESTION: Once additional beds come online at SWS, will abatements be re-posted?
- Has abatement been posted to any encampments?
- If yes, which ones?
- If yes, when will the abatement action occur?
- How regularly is the provider updating bed counts?
- How often are the administration and especially the departments managing abatement activities checking these bed counts?
- Is there an intent to post abatement at any other encampments?
- If yes, can you please share, specifically, what those encampments are?

# IMPLEMENTATION OF ECWS: POLICY

- Pursuant to AR 2023-290(S), As Amended, the optimal maximum stay for individuals who moved into ECWS on opening day (Monday, October 16) is Sunday, January 14. What are the provider and administration doing to help people move on in their housing journey, specifically?
- How many current ECWS clients have access to vouchers?
- What barriers are preventing ECWS clients from utilizing their vouchers?
- NEW QUESTION: How many ECWS clients have some kind of income?

# IMPLEMENTATION OF ECWS: **POLICY CONTINUED**

- Pursuant to AR 2023-290(S), As Amended, adherence to the food policy outlined in AR 2022-420 is a requirement. Can you please detail if these requirements are being met?
- Pursuant to AR 2023-290(S), As Amended, all users of ECWS must be entered into AKHMIS and have a CE assessment within 7 days of their initial stay. Can you please detail if these requirements are being met?
- Can you please send a confirmation email on Tuesday, October 24 to the Housing and Homelessness Committee that all day one ECWS clients have completed their CE assessment?
- If all day one ECWS clients have not completed their CE assessment by Tuesday, October 24, can a detailed explanation for this lag please be emailed to the Housing and Homelessness Committee as well as an explanation for how this issue will be remedied in the future?

# TRANSITION OUT OF ECWS

## Former Ideas:

- Keep using old SWS administration building as shelter for up to 2 years
- Allowed Camp Community Task Force Recommendations
- Complex Behavioral Health Needs Community Task Force Recommendations
- Continued usage of some amount of non-congregate hotel beds

## Looking Forward:

- What does a successful transition out of ECWS look like for our community?
- How would a successful transition out of ECWS look different from last summer?
- Next month: More in-depth discussion led by the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness