

### CITY OF NORMAN, OK CITY COUNCIL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

Municipal Building, Executive Conference Room, 201 West Gray, Norman, OK 73069

Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 4:00 PM

### AGENDA

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### CALL TO ORDER

### AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. DISCUSSION REGARDING A TREE CANOPY MASTER PLAN AND A TREE PLANTING PROGRAM.
- 2. STAFF REPORT ON HOMELESS ACTIVITY.

### ADJOURNMENT

### Growing an Urban Forestry Program:

## IDEAS for NORMAN, OK



### URBAN FOREST PROGRAM CONTINUUM<sup>™</sup>

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## Tree Ordinance Development

- Already have an ordinance!
- Is it working?
- Stronger?
- Input?

Project Details: Kickoff meeting, internal/external ordinance reviews, draft review, community input, City Council presentation

#### Item 1.

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## **Urban Forest Master Plan**

- Road Map/Plan
- Community input
- Data Canopy or iTree Eco (Inventory)
- Goals and the future

## i-Tree Eco

- Tool for determining:
  - Structure
  - $\circ$  Function
  - $\circ$  Value
- Sharing information
- Creating goals

# Canopy Study

- Tool for determining:
  - $\circ$  Growth/Goals
  - Planting locations
- Environmental Justice
- Sharing information

# What's Missing?

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# Thank you!

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#### Homelessness Update

#### **Shelter Quarterly Report Unique Guests:**

October 2021: 113

November 2021: 130

December 2021: 132

#### HomeBase Gaps Analysis

To address the growing needs of our families, our neighbors, and our broader community, the City of Norman evaluated the current system, identified the needs and gaps within the system, and to developed recommendations to improve our approach to homelessness. With the help of Homebase, a nonprofit technical assistance provider, they developed a Homelessness Gaps Analysis, which is available for review. Click here for the <u>Gaps Analysis Report</u>

The Gaps Analysis identified 7 priority areas:

- Opportunities for Safe and Affordable Housing
- Low-Barrier Housing and Day Services
- Supportive Services
- Transportation to Employment, Services, and Shelter
- Coordinated Prevention Assistance
- Robust Data Collection and Analysis
- Coordination and Communication to Ensure Effective Use of Limited Resources

The Gaps Analysis also included over 40 potential recommendations. The City of Norman is seeking public input to help prioritize the recommendations and get support for moving forward.

**Community Feedback Survey**: The Community Meetings were set up to be interactive discussions, where residents were invited to share concerns, challenges, opportunities and aspirations for the City and share options about how to prioritize the recommendations list.

Survey results: 178 176 Answered 2 Skipped

Survey details:

None of the Above: 3.98% (7 total)

A person with lived experience of homelessness (Current, recent, or formerly homeless) 4.55% (8) Policymaker (city or county official, committee member, other government representative, etc.) 4.55% (8) Homeless System of Care Provider (Continuum of Care staff, service provider, shelter provider, outreach worker, case manager, volunteer, and etc.) 22.73% (40)

Member of the Broader Public (resident, neighbor association, etc.) 64.20% (113)

### Point In Time 2022: Thursday, January 27, 2022

The PIT count provides a snapshot of homelessness in our community. Each partnering CoC (Continuum of Care) & ESG (Emergency Solutions Grant) agency will play an integral role in the PIT count. All data collected is based on agency HMIS projects, and individual agency reporting.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic we are not requesting any volunteers for this year's count.