



**CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA**  
**Monday, July 2, 2018, 4:30 PM**  
**City Hall, 616 NE 4th Avenue**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. ROLL CALL**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**IV. WORKSHOP TOPICS**

**A. Clark County Homeless Action Plan**

Details: Council for the Homeless is updating the Clark County Homeless Action Plan. The last update was adopted in May 2015; before the housing boom and before coming out of the recession. This presentation includes the efforts planned for the next three to five years to address homelessness in Clark County.

Presenter: Kate Budd, Executive Director, Council for the Homeless

Recommended Action: This item is for Council's information only.

 [Clark County Homeless Action Plan Presentation](#)

[Clark County Homeless Action Plan Survey](#)

**B. Camas Urban Tree Program**

Details: The City was awarded a grant from the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to develop an Urban Tree Program. The work for the project included current zoning diagnosis; a public survey; outreach during Camas Days; working with an ad hoc committee of citizens; updating the Design Standards Manual with street tree species; and creating outreach materials that will increase the public's knowledge of tree care and the new ordinance. Staff conducted workshops with the Planning Commission on October 17, December 12, and March 20. Workshops with City Council were held on November 6, and December 4. At a public hearing on June 19, the Planning Commission forwarded a recommendation of approval to the City Council. A staff report with the proposed program, exhibits and public comments will be included with the agenda for the public hearing.

Presenter: Sarah Fox, Senior Planner

Recommended Action: Staff recommends Council set a date for a public hearing to be held on July 16, 2018.

**C. Community Development Miscellaneous and Updates**

Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or emergent items.

Presenter: Phil Bourquin, Community Development Director

**D. Public Works Miscellaneous and Updates**

Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or emergent items.

Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

- E. Parks and Recreation Growth Assessment (PRGA) Committee Update  
Details: The PRGA Committee was convened to assess the long-term funding issues facing parks and recreation and to recommend a solution. This update includes the committee's work to date and proposes a path forward.

Presenter: Jerry Acheson, Parks and Recreation Manager and Pete Capell, City Administrator

Recommended Action: Staff requests Council's direction regarding the committee's proposal.

 [Parks and Recreation Growth Assessment Recommendation](#)

- F. City Administrator Miscellaneous Updates and Scheduling  
Details: This is a placeholder for miscellaneous or scheduling items.  
Presenter: Pete Capell, City Administrator

## **V. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

NOTE: The City welcomes public meeting citizen participation. For accommodations; call 360.834.6864.



# 2018 Homeless Action Plan

## Developing Our Path for the Future



**Homeless ACTION Plan**  
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# What does CFTH do?

**Our mission is to lead the community's efforts to prevent and end homelessness.**

## Leadership

- Engage the community
  - Outreach, education, understanding
- Identify and monitor needs
  - Data collection and analysis
- Convene & Collaborate

## Advocacy

- Housing Levy
- Statewide Initiatives

## Solutions

- Severe Weather Planning
- Housing Solutions Center





# Why Are We Here?

- Charting a Collective Path Forward
- Identify System Priorities
- Achieve Outcomes
- State Requirement





# 2015 Homeless Action Plan

- Identified Funding Priorities
- Increases Housing First Permanent Supportive Housing
  - 54 Beds
- Increased Street Outreach
  - Two Staff
- 18 Single Female Beds
- Increased Rapid Re-Housing Programs
  - Over 40 households
- Diversion (Short-Term Coaching & \$)
  - 93 households

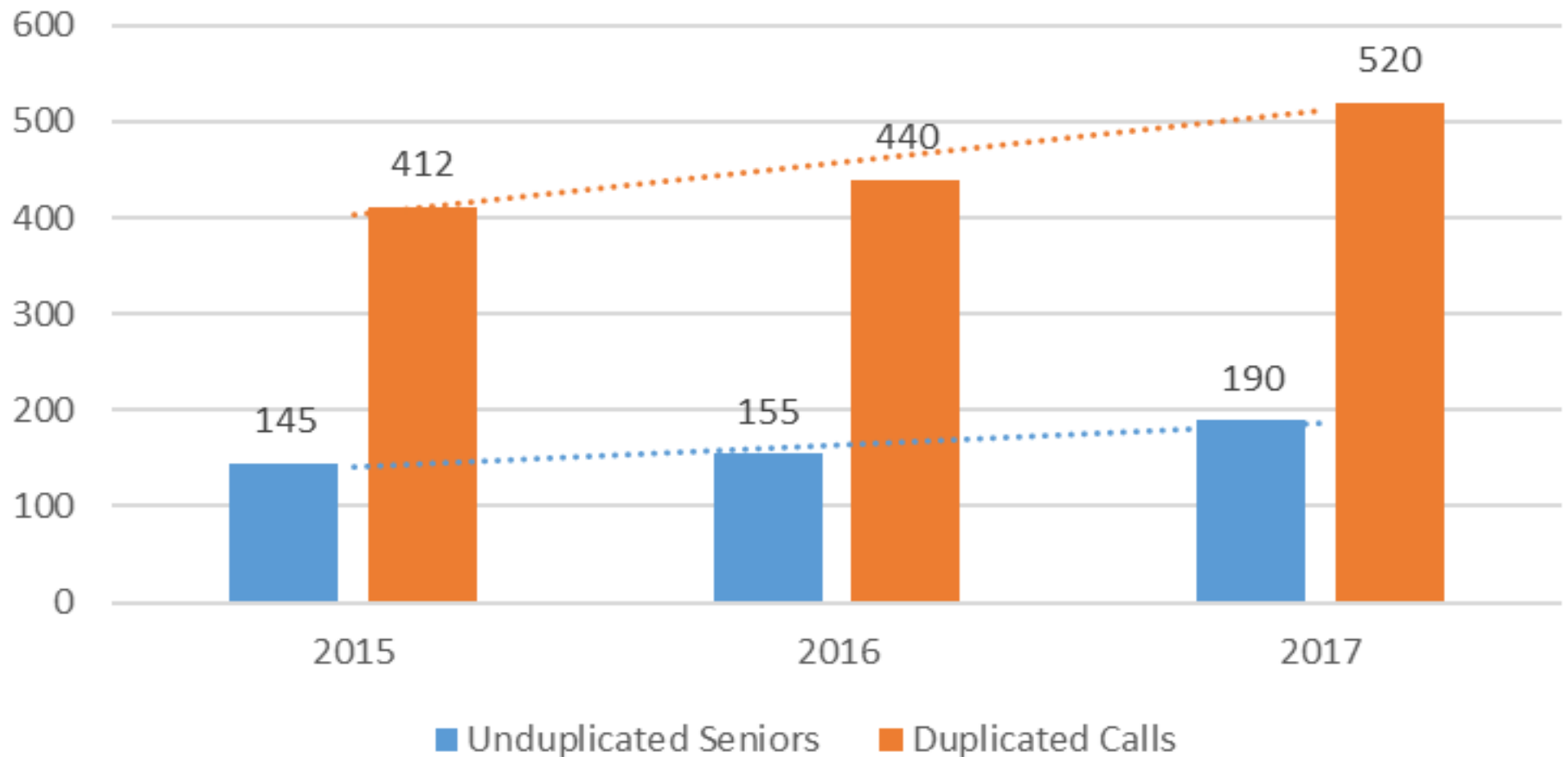


# 2014 vs. 2018

- Great Recession
- Funding Reductions
- Avg 2 Bedroom-1 Bath Rent
  - \$900/mo in 2014
  - \$1300/mo in 2018
- Vacancy Rates Relatively Stagnant
- Population Skyrocketing
- Wages Barely Rose

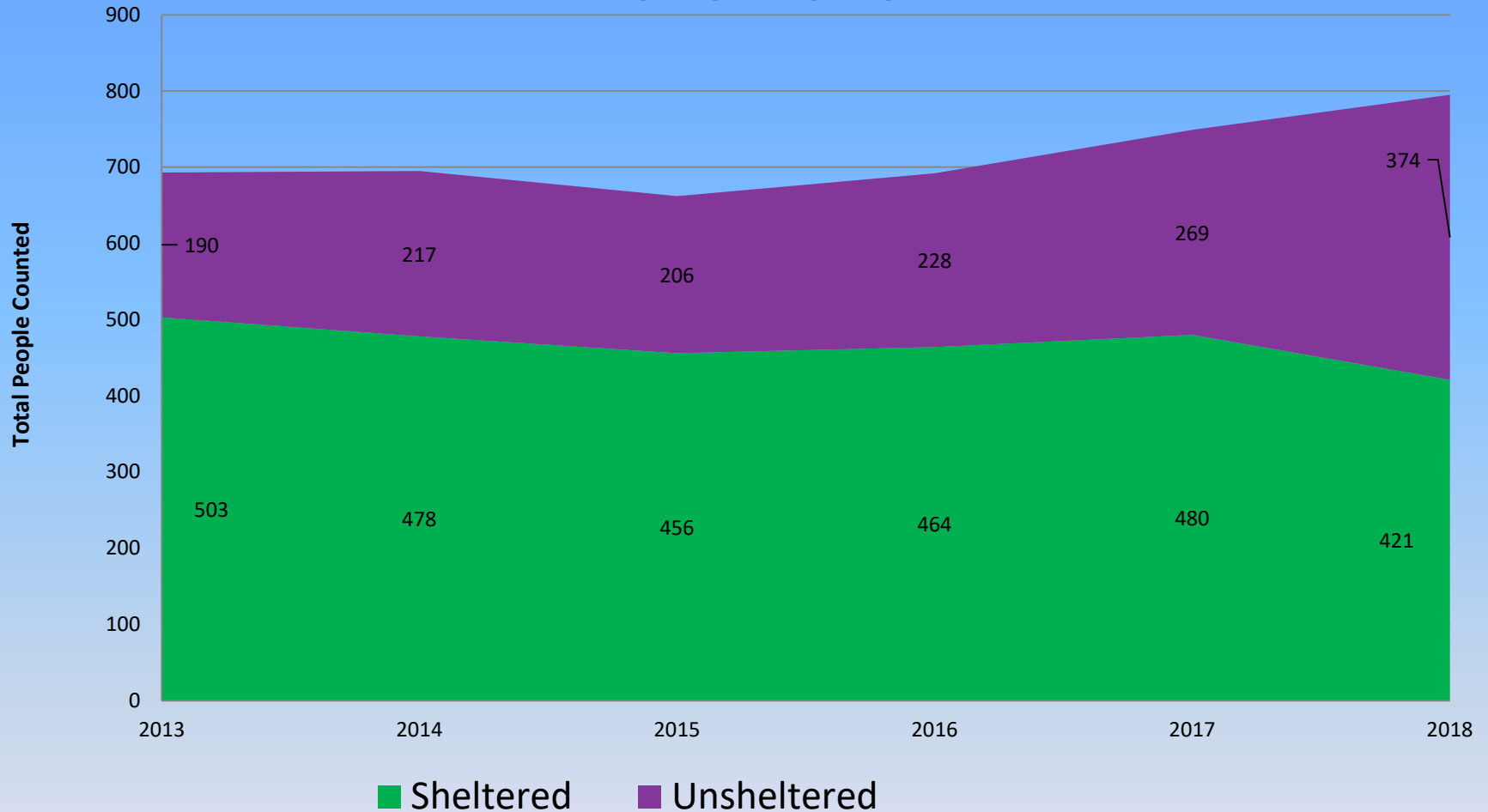
# Seniors (62+)

## Seniors Who are Literally Homeless





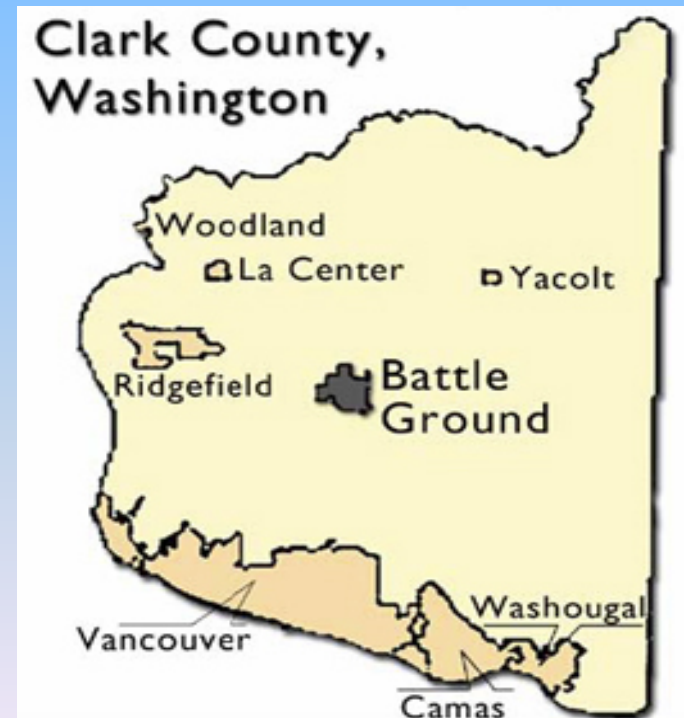
# Point-in-Time Count 2013-2018



The number of people identified as homeless on a single day in January.  
Provides a snapshot of homelessness in Clark County.

# Opportunities for 2018

- Everybody is Talking – Broad Interest
- A Challenge for the Full County
- Additional Resources
- Across the Board Need
- Community Voice
- Wealth of Data



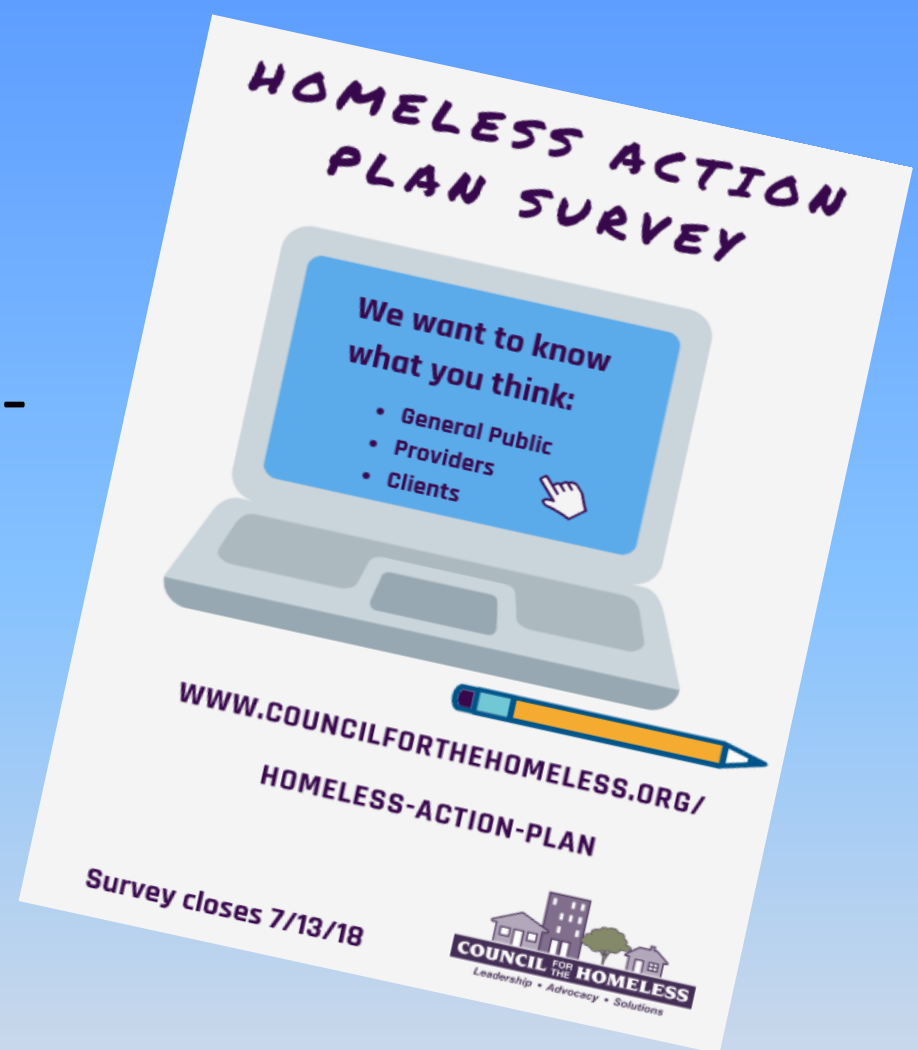


# 2018 Engagement Plan

- Action Plan Forums
- Surveys
  - Community Members
  - Providers
  - People Experiencing Homelessness
- Meeting Engagement
- Deep Dive into Best/Promising Practices
- Data Analysis
- Draft in September 2018 for Feedback

# Next Steps

- Respond to the Survey-  
CFTH Website
- Review Draft Out  
in the Fall 2018



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# HOMELESS ACTION PLAN SURVEY



**[WWW.COUNCILFORTHEHOMELESS.ORG/](http://WWW.COUNCILFORTHEHOMELESS.ORG/)**

**HOMELESS-ACTION-PLAN**

**Survey closes 7/13/18**





## **Park and Recreation Commission findings and recommendations**

***May 14, 2018***

### **Introduction**

In 2017 the Camas Parks and Recreation Commission was tasked by the Mayor and City Administrator to explore funding options for the parks and recreation system. An ad-hoc committee made up of representatives from City Council, the Commission, City and Camas school district staff, was convened to assess the long-term funding issues and recommend a solution. The goal was to address funding challenges to the year 2035.

Camas Parks and Recreation Growth Assessment Ad Hoc Committee (PRGA)

<b>Name</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>
David Gast	Parks and Recreation Commission
Jerry Acheson	City Parks and Recreation
Melissa Smith	City Council
Pete Capell	City Administrator
Randy Curtis	Parks and Recreation Commission
Steve Marshall	Camas School District Staff
Tim Hazen	Citizen

### **The Problem**

Camas has insufficient operations and maintenance funding to support the existing park system. As we look to the future, the development of new parks, trails and facilities will be constrained by the lack of new funding.

- Over the years, the community has come to expect a high level of park, trail and open space maintenance. Current resources and staffing levels are struggling to maintain even a lower level of service.
- The escalation of City costs, particularly for operations and maintenance, exceeds available dedicated revenue. Parks and recreation funding has not grown enough to cover the increase in staffing costs and the additional acreage in the system.

- To avoid making this problem worse the city is not using its resources to build more parks and facilities until additional resources for maintenance are identified.
- Expansion of the system will require additional maintenance and operations resources.

### **Proposed Solution**

After looking at multiple funding options, a Metropolitan Park District (MPD) is the only tool identified that can generate new operating and capital resources for the long-term support of the parks and recreation system.

### **What is an MPD and how would it impact the City?**

An MPD, authorized by [Ch. 35.61 RCW](#), may be created for the management, control, improvement, maintenance, and acquisition of parks, parkways, boulevards, and recreational facilities. An MPD may include territory located in portions of or in all of one or more cities or counties.

- The MPD is subject to compression as a junior taxing district.
- An MPD offers dedicated park and recreation funding.
- The district boundary could be contiguous with the city limits. This would allow the City Council to serve as the district board.
- The MPD would be formed by a (50% +1) vote of the citizens.
- Funds can be used for both operations, maintenance and capital projects.
- The MPD has a maximum tax rate of \$0.75/1,000 of assessed property value.
- May issue and sell warrants, short-term obligations, or general obligation bonds.

### **Key Considerations for City Council**

The PRGA committee members halted its work on this project because they felt it was vitally important to obtain City Council direction and feedback on the MPD concept outlined in this report.

There is considerable detailed work yet to be done by city staff and the committee, including defining the taxing structure, policies and projects that would benefit from the creation of an MPD. The PRGA committee submitted a preliminary report (including resource documents) to the Parks Commission on May 14, 2018. The Commission approved moving forward with Council direction.

Listed below are some of the critical issues the Council is being asked to address:

1. Does the Council support the efforts of the Parks Commission to proceed with the additional work necessary to propose the formation of an MPD to the Camas voters?



2. The Commission recommends a vote in 2019. Are there any concerns from Council regarding timing?
3. Does the Council have any specific concerns or interests that should be addressed by the PRGA committee?

### **Proposed Action**

Subject to receiving additional feedback and guidance from the City Council, we recommend the following steps to move forward.

1. Direct staff to refine the specifics of projects and costs, pinpoint final details of the MPD tax structure and develop a strategy for public information campaign in collaboration with the commission and the PRGA committee. This is an opportunity to inform and draw additional stakeholders into the discussion.
2. Direct staff to conduct recommended public opinion research to learn more details about support for an MPD.
3. Report findings back to City Council by the end of 2018.