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               D - Joel Noble (Curtis Park): Thanks for volunteering, Drew!
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               D-Drew Dutcher-ESNA:
                                       Thanks to everyone!
00:24:15
               D-Judy Baxter Montclair:
                                               Joel you set the a great standard
and we so appreciate your effort.
00:29:22
               D - Wende Reoch Cranmer Park/Hilltop:
                                                       ^ agree ^
00:37:08
                Robin Kniech:
https://www.denvergov.org/Neighborhood/Denver-Days#:~:text=The%202021%20Denver%20Day
s%20events,place%20July%2031st%20%2D%20August%208th.
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               Robin Kniech:
                               I don't have much more to share, it is led by
Mayor's office. But the link can explain how to get permits etc.
                               Back in 2002, we had 13 block parties in Baker!
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               Luchia Brown:
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                                        There are 336K places to live in Denver.
                Benjamin Dunning:
That is everything... people who own homes outright, people paying on mortgages,
townhomes, condos, apartments and all the other rentals everything. 336K. It has
been reported in the new since last summer that 100K evictions are waiting to happen
when the evection moratorium ends- June 30th. Looks like it will not be extended
            Without something like SOS camps to go just where will these people go?
this time.
 more randomness along random sidewalks? We need about 50 of these SOS encampments.
Currently we have 2. This wave of evictions will be just in time for the all-star
game.
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               D - Joel Noble (Curtis Park): Please send your questions for
speakers in the chat box. Be polite to our guests! Moderator will call on people to
unmute and ask questions with the most frequent themes
               Lisa Saenz:
                                an speak as a provider who does provide Services
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with SOS. I currently sit in the Vice presidents role on the Sun Valley Community
Coalition.
               D-Carol Hunter: Ideas/thoughts about how INC delegates can
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collaborate as to specific actions within our RNO's? What will be our action plan
as a formal entity?
                kathy glAtz:
                                I've seen Las Cruces: clean, orderly, quiet,
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resident-run w/volunteers & staff.
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               D-Judy Baxter Montclair:
                                               This is an impressive accomplishment
so far. I appreciate knowing how you are approaching this as an public health
challenge
               D - Joel Noble (Curtis Park): Please send your questions for
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speakers in the chat box. Be polite to our guests! Moderator will call on people to
unmute and ask questions with the most frequent themes. If you prefer to be
anonymous, it's OK to chat directly to me, but I do hope to hear questions in your
own voices as much as possible
               Mary Gambrill: The SOS enables people to remain unhoused -
regardless of the 'why' behind the circumstances that caused the individual to be
homeless. The SOS is the Four Seasons of homeless camps - air conditioned tents
with power, WiFi, tablets on loan from the library, daily meals, and even volunteers
who are signed up to clean up after the residents & their pets. This enables &
encourages residents to remain homeless.
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                D Timothy McHugh WPENA: What happens to the residents living in a
S.O.S. when it closes? Do they have preference to move into a new S.O.S. or do they
move to the bottom of the list of those waiting for a space?
                                       Where do SOS residents store their
               D-Jim Slotta(CHUN):
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belongings?
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               Benjamin Dunning: Can zoning codes be waived like during a
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national emergency or pandemic? If we can meet a need with these things we should
just do it. There are 6000 zoning violations in unsanctioned unorganized
encampments along sidewalks all over the city. These encampments are much better
for everyone. The randomness will not go away unless we provide another option.
               Alan G. Gass.: It doe not appear that the fence around the Park
01:02:25
Hill site is very secure. I thought that I saw a hole in it. Comment please.
01:04:05
                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        there is an organization that has a plan and
experience with safe parking sites.
                                     They will have wisdom to help us.
https://www.colosafeparking.org/
01:04:21
               Marisa Valeras: Is the city still considering city owned land for
SOS's? It seems as though we are only seeing zoning permits approved on private
land.
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                Robin Kniech:
                                Alan - I live in North Park Hill and rode my bike to
the Park Hill site yesterday and did not observe any breaches in the fence. But we
will ask Cole to confirm. Reminder, the site is staffed 24/7 so if there is any
issue with any operational aspect once residents are on-site starting next week,
there will be someone there to keep an eye, respond immediately.
               Marisa Valeras: I noticed that one of the guidelines for residents
of the SOS sites asks that residents not use drugs or alcohol. What option is
available to those who are not willing/able to comply with those sorts of rules?
                                       "bridge between neighbors and service
                Benjamin Dunning:
providers is missing something..." a bridge to our homeless... you ask early in the
meeting who else needs to be here... well...
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                Robin Kniech:
                                Marisa - I fully support more assertive use of
public land for SOS sites. But any use of public land would require a lease, which
requires a council vote. This can slow a process down to go through the 4+ week
council process. Several of the first sites proposed were on public land, but they
were withdrawn. Leading the community to focus on privately owned sites instead.
With more community support I am hopeful public land could be considered again.
               D-Gertie Grant: Are any funds available to pay owners of vacant
parking lots for S.O.S.? Also is there a minimum lots size for s S.O.S.?
                                Gertie - to-date, the model works best if the land
01:11:01
               Robin Kniech:
is free and the funding can be focused on staff, services, and operational costs.
But there is no legal reason why a modest fee couldn't be considered if it helped to
open up more locations. It is just a trade off between those dollars not going to
other services/solutions.
                                People from WWP, I have been trying to reach out to
                Luchia Brown:
01:12:42
the South Broadway Christian Church, but have not gotten a reply. Perhaps you could
help me get them to open up their parking lot to a SOS.
               D-Carol Hunter: Travis, your words are extremely helpful. Happy to
join your efforts and learn more. I'm on the CPUN board and delegate to INC.
                                       We DHOL Denver Homeless Out Loud were
01:12:51
                Benjamin Dunning:
approached by a group who owns a parking lot looking to do just that... they tried
working out something with the city and did not come to an agreement. This was
before the first SOS camp was approved
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               D-Drew Dutcher-ESNA:
                                        This is a city-wide problem, not to mention
a state and national failure. The first site -- at the Coliseum parking lot -- was
abandoned due to intense, wide pushback by the Globeville, Elyria and Swansea
community. It was pushed upon us in a very sneaky way.
               Travis Leiker, CHUN:
                                       @Carol Hunter - great. Please email me at
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travis.leiker@chundenver.org; I can also be reached at 303-817-5744! We are thrilled

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to at CPUN to our growing group.
                Marty Harrison: Has there been any official reporting from DPD on
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the Capital Hill sites since they have closed? I heard the sites were visited
frequently by DPD for calls of domestic violence, drug use, indecent exposure, and
such.
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                D-Drew Dutcher-ESNA:
                                        I think the only fair way to do this is not
to use the same neighborhoods all the time. We have 11 city council districts. We
have 660 tents across the city. Why not REQUIRE each City Council district to find
site(s) for 60 tents? That is the only fair way, it seems to me.
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                D - Joel Noble (Curtis Park): Please send your questions for
speakers in the chat box. Be polite to our guests! Moderator will call on people to
unmute and ask questions with the most frequent themes
                D - Wende Reoch Cranmer Park/Hilltop:
                                                        I appreciate hearing from
Judy and Travis on the work your RNOs did to plan, explain, and continue to
communicate with your neighbors about the SOS in your neighborhoods. Facts v
Fearmongering always best!
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                Marisa Valeras: As the groups look to create additional sites, I
think neighborhoods would be far more supportive of the idea of welcoming a SOS if
it meant that the unsanctioned sites were addressed.
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                                Thank you, Judy!
                Luchia Brown:
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                Luchia Brown:
                                And, thank you, Travis!
                                        Drew- "We counted 660 tents " an incomplete
01:20:04
                Benjamin Dunning:
count last summer the numbers are greater now.
                Lisa Saenz:
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                                Thank you Cole!
01:20:45
                D-Judy Baxter Montclair:
                                                Thank you Travis and Judy.
                Marisa Valeras: Drew- couldn't agree more that every district has a
01:21:32
responsibility to play a role in finding solutions and supporting sites.
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                Florence Sebern:
                                        Is the expectation that every neighborhood
must accept an SOS camp site?
                                Cruces allows dogs
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                kathy glAtz:
                Mary Gambrill: It makes sense that the SOS camps would be limited
01:23:40
to neighborhoods with an existing unsanctioned camps issue. This is VERY different
from bringing unhoused residents TO a neighborhood where there is NOT an existing
unsanctioned camp problem. (For example South Park Hill does not have an
unsanctioned camping issue to fix by adding a sanctioned camp.)
                                Marty - not sure where you received this
                Robin Kniech:
information, but it is false. There has been analysis of DPD calls and there were
virtually none to the SOS itself. And little difference between calls to the area
compared to the same time last year. I hope Cole can speak to this in more detail.
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                Luchia Brown:
                                A minimum of one per council district... that would be
11, which is still not enough, but better than two.
                                Pearl Location allowed pets.
01:24:13
                Lisa Saenz:
                Mary Gambrill: Robin - I believe Marty was referring to the number
01:24:53
of calls to 311. He is correct- high volume of calls for those things
                D-Judy Baxter Montclair:
                                                Travis/Judy -- A common concern
01:25:03
raised with almost any "change in the neighborhood that includes residential
housing, what I hear from homeowners is "this will lower our property values".
Though I don't think there is real data to support this, I am also not aware of data
to dispel this myth. It seems to be a knee-jerk automatic comment. I am wondering
if you heard this concern and how did you address it?
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Marty Harrison: Thanks Robin. Can you provide that analysis? Yes,

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would love to hear Cole speak to it but would also like to see the data and
analysis. Thanks for your help and service.
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                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        Most folks who go homeless go homeless in
districts where there are no services so the move into central districts to get
            Places who are generating homeless and sending them away by having no
supports can now start joining in support of their homeless by establishing SOS
camps in their district.
                D-loretta koehler:
                                        I think we need to have panelist address the
question that people are losing housing in EVERY neighborhood in Denver - renters,
home owners are having rents and mortgages come due after forbearance and the
homeowners now own sometimes $10K -$20K and will never be able to make payments.
Keeping folks in there neighborhood along with children in their neighborhood school
should be a priority
01:27:41
                D-Carol Hunter: Thank YOU, Mark. Best wishes!!!
                D-Bruce Baskette:
                                        Have the collection of Front Range
01:28:25
billionaires/multi-millionaires been hit up to provide funds or buildings or land
for any of these sites?
01:29:34
                Florence Sebern:
                                        Are the Good Neighborhood Agreements tied to
the permit for the sites? If there is a breach of agreement, is the permit revoked?
                                        No but it has bee reported in the news that
                Benjamin Dunning:
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a collection of billionaires have joint to by property and end the federal eviction
            Nore tents are coming just in time for the MLB all-star game. Eviction
moratorim ends June 30
                                Is Earthlinks continuing to Host?
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                kathy glAtz:
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                Travis Leiker, CHUN:
                                        EarthLinks is not hosting an SOS
                                No - Earthlinks is not providing SOS anymore.
01:31:22
                Robin Kniech:
                                        Their site closed earlier this month at 13th
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                Travis Leiker, CHUN:
and Grant
                Travis Leiker, CHUN:
01:31:36
https://www.chundenver.org/uploads/7/5/9/8/75987511/final_dcc_and_cvc_gna_for_tsos.p
df
                                Florence and others - the GNA is an entirely
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                Tina Axelrad:
outside-the-city contract between private parties. It does not become part of the
approved permit. On the other hand, we've seen discussion around having a GNA
greatly inform a more robust "operational plan" that is part of the permit, and
enforceable by the city.
                Travis Leiker, CHUN:
                                        ^^ Link to CVC/CHUN/Colfax Ave BID GNA
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01:32:07
                Craig Trompeter:
                                        You are all doing amazing work.
Congratulations from Chicago.
01:32:13
                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        We could have 4 SOS camps now but because
zoning restricts them to 6 months we have half of what we could have.
                Julie Jensen:
                                Can we increase the time the SOS is allowed to
01:33:04
operate? And, thank you all for your hard work. You're amazing.
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                kathy glAtz:
                                please use LESS abbreviations. thanks
                                I am a charter school art teacher/artist. I have
                Eloísa Lynch:
01:33:57
created a piece, and part of the proceeds will go to the SOS mission. I'll email you
guys details. Thanks.
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                                        The Zoning Administrator's Determination for
                Florence Sebern:
these sites does not limit the time period to 6 months. Why is that being assumed?
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                Robin Kniech:
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https://denverite.com/2021/05/30/denvers-first-two-sanctioned-campsites-won-over-the

ir-housed-neighbors-now-theyre-moving/ 01:34:36 Tina Axelrad: Point of clarification re. 6 months duration - that has been the lease terms of the first SOS sites. The zoning authorization and enabling laws would allow a longer duration, we just haven't had a SOS ask for more Regis might be the first. 01:35:11 Robin Kniech: The Denverite article on crime stats: https://denverite.com/2021/05/30/denvers-first-two-sanctioned-campsites-won-over-the ir-housed-neighbors-now-theyre-moving/ Tina Axelrad: GNA = Good Neighbor Agreement (sorry!) 01:35:45 thnx=thanks! 01:36:13 kathy glAtz: Florence Sebern: Please address the death at the Grant St 01:36:39 location. 01:36:55 Mary Gambrill: Benjamin Dunning - I see that you are very much in support of this model. As a resident with an SOS within 250 feet from our front door, it is imperative that the camps be limited to six months. While many supporters this model, it is a HEAVY burden for those living very close. There are more than 2 dozen minor children living adjacent to the Park Hill site. Keep in mind that the PH site does NoT have a pre-existing issue. 01:37:39 Vicky Putsche: Thank you Cole, Judy, Travis and others. You are angels in disguise. I humbled by and thankful for your leadership, compassion, patience and hard work. The unhoused situation overwhelms me and I am so glad that you have been working so hard for all of us. If there is time, it would be great to know how we could contribute to your work. kathy glAtz: If church lots are unavailable for parking, does 01:37:58 volume of parking in neighborhood impact neighbors? D-Carol Hunter: I have heard children mentioned before as a reason not to support SOS. What is the issue? What is the concern regarding children in the area? 01:41:18 D-Carol Hunter: Thank you, Robin. Your knowledge and perspective is invaluable in this discussion as we move forward to support ALL of our Denver neighbors. Florence Sebern: Good point, CW Kniech! Why are camp sites 01:41:21 being prioritized when churches can shelter people INSIDE? Marry an SOS camp is much less burden on any 01:41:36 Benjamin Dunning: community than tents lining our sidewalks, than randomness. Our communities will bear the burden one way or the other. The camps will be much better than randomness. Remember the eviction moratorium ends in 3 weeks. tens of thousands of more tents are coming in just a few weeks. John Deffenbaugh: Please all stop using the word "burden" in 01:43:38 reference to this subject. Benjamin Dunning: Our zoning code approves every church as a shelter for up to 8 people. 450ish churches in Denver if each one took 3 people that would put a dent in things. I 20 of them stated SOS encampments... would would cut things in half of what wee see on the street Florence - two answers. 1) building code/life safety 01:45:57 Robin Kniech: would not allow a typical church to serve as many people inside as they do outside (using porto potties etc at a much higher number than they have bathrooms inside for example). 2) for some individuals, sleeping just a few feet apart from 40+ others is the barrier keeping them from using congregate shelter. The privacy a SOS provides

is why it helps serve people who wouldn't sleep inside in a more crowded situation. Also, it allows heterosexual couples to stay together because most in-door shelters

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are single sex.
                                        Yes, Mr. Dunning, if camp sites are the
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               Florence Sebern:
be-all solution. The statements here have been that camp sites are a part of the
solution for 100 people per year.
               D-Gertie Grant: Will the panelists slides be available on the INC
01:46:35
webpage for us to see? Also the chat Q and A?
01:46:49
               Florence Sebern:
                                        Thank you! What is the permit term for
Regis?
01:48:53
               D-loretta koehler:
                                        The entire presentation will be on the INC
youtube channel, but we will try and post the slide presentation on the INC website
               Florence Sebern:
                                        What is amount of the City contract with St.
Francis for the storage service?
01:49:10
               Robin Kniech:
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                Robin Kniech:
                                I don't have the amount the city spends on storage
handy.
01:50:33
               Peggy Randall: What are some of the consistent personal needs that
the residents need? Clothing & personal items?
               Florence Sebern:
                                        CW Kniech, respectufully, that is not the
case here. The case here is the Zoning Administrator having the sole authority to
allow a newly defined use.
                                        St. Francis Center contract: "A resolution
01:54:31
               Florence Sebern:
approving a proposed Agreement between the City and County of Denver and The St.
Francis Center to provide secured off-site storage for individuals experiencing
homelessness, citywide. Approves a contract with The St. Francis Center for $645,735
and through 12-31-23 to provide secured off-site storage for individuals
experiencing homelessness, citywide (HOST 202057239). The last regularly scheduled
Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 3-30-21. The Committee
approved filing this item at its meeting on 2-24-21."
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                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        All the residents of these camps need
housing. It will solve the issue. A key and a door that locks for safety and
privacy. Most of the other stuff will work itself out.
                                                        There is a Universal basic
income project that will be testing that. this fall. A couple of thousand homeless
folks will get guaranteed income. Expect most of them to be housed very quickly.
And few will return to homelessness when n the study ends. People can get stuck in
homeless land get them over the hump and they are often fine.
                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        But most of them will leave homelessland
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pemanently
               A & R Strickler:
                                        Can you address the specific metrics used to
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measure the success of an SOS-for residents, the surrounding neighborhood residents?
01:58:05
               D - Wende Reoch Cranmer Park/Hilltop:
                                                        Well said Travis!
01:58:24
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
                                                Thank you, Travis and Robin.
                                There is a short list of all the "unlisted" zoning
01:58:27
               Tina Axelrad:
uses that the Zoning Administrator has determined in the last few years - it's a
careful, judicious process that has criteria and standards attached to it. There is
no arbitrariness around this. If I cannot make findings about the "fit", the use
will not be allowed.
https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Departments/Community-Planning-and-Development/
Denver-Zoning-Code
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                D-loretta koehler:
                                        if you haven't muted your
computer/phone/tablet, please do so if you are not speaking. Also, it is helpful if
you want to speak, please unmute and put on your video
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                Benjamin Dunning:
                                       Talk about the zoning restrictions for these
thing to exist. Can we just waive the enforcement to meet the need?
               Marisa Valeras: Is there funding available to support more sites?
If more places/neighborhoods were supportive of the idea of a SOS would the city
have the funds to support that?
               Florence Sebern:
                                        Respectfull, Ms. Axelrad, the findings are
02:02:06
made to fit. ;) The statement in the revised Determination states that COVID
economic recovery is 12/31/2023 and allowance for the camp sites will remain in
place until then. Please provide the data points used for that statement.
                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        Britta Fisher (housing director-HOST)
reported to the DDPHE board that 12-17% of our homeless on the streets report
addition or mental health issues so 85% are not struggling with these issues= large
majority.
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               D Timothy McHugh WPENA: Since almost all residents of an SOS, so
far, have moved to the next SOS, it seems there is little opportunity for those
further down the waiting list to enter an SOS. Also, if an SOS resident is able to
keep moving to the next SOS, is there much incentive to make the effort to move to
a more permanent housing situation?
                                               PHUMC Rep to GPHC here! I need to
02:05:26
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
stand up for my neighborhood - Park Hill. They were caught off guard, but are being
very supportive now. Please take that into consideration as you speak of our
community - I am Chair of Park Hill, The Beautiful - helping our community
spiritually, physically - any way we can Be The Change We Want To See In Our World.
02:05:40
               Tina Axelrad:
                                "The effect of COVID-19 on the City and County of
Denver has been overwhelming, especially for people with the fewest resources. The
economic impact of public health-related business closures has left thousands with
reduced income, leading to an increase in the number of people experiencing
homelessness and housing instability. Persons experiencing homelessness who contract
the virus may be at higher risk for complications due to age and underlying health
conditions, and face additional challenges isolating while residing in congregate
shelter settings."
March 2021 COVID-19 HOST Response Report and accompanying COVID-19 Response One Year
Summary (p. 1)
               Benjamin Dunning:
02:05:50
                                        Timothy- this is what all the housing
continuum looks like for the poor. What little we have is all accounted for
               Julie Jensen:
                                We need public housing again
02:05:58
               Gerald Horner: Cole - wiull you please address how residents of SOS
02:06:58
are placed into the housing pipeline (HMIS) and ultimately that is the goal,
correct? Thanks
                Benjamin Dunning:
                                        ZONING I ask about zoning enforcement
concerning SOS camps for the 3rd time can it be waived? If so how.. to keep things
safe and meet the need
               Tina Axelrad:
                                Benjamin - No, we cannot waive enforcement for a
permitted use, or for illegal land use activity. However, the City did
de-prioritize enforcement of certain zoning restrictions (mostly on the number of
persons residing in a single dwelling) because it was terribly restrictive during
the height of the pandemic and the Governor also requested local governments to do
so. That policy is still in place, a the same time that Denver recently changed its
"group living" laws to allow up to 5 unrelated adults to live in a single
home/dwelling unit.
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Amen, Robin!

Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:

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02:15:07 Marty Harrison: Thanks TIna for the response to Benjamin. Isn't shelter for homeless covered in various parts of section 11 of the DZC? Your use determination is for unlisted uses, correct? How is this allowed if it's already covered elsewhere?
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02:15:47 Benjamin Dunning: That social impact bond has increased to 330 people and still only one refusal for housing. If the housing is available people will gladly receive it.

02:16:43 Benjamin Dunning:

https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/mayors-office/newsroom/2019/three-years-into-denver-s-innovative-social-impact-bond-program-.html

02:18:13 D-loretta koehler: thanks for that question Carol

02:18:44 Marisa Valeras: When do we expect shelters to open back up to full capacity?

02:18:55 Tina Axelrad: Marty - Yes, our zoning laws certainly have accommodation for traditional homeless shelters. However, zoning requires a typical shelter to be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure, and that structure must be a permanent structure. The managed campsite model is in temporary structures (tents and cars - the latter is not even a "structure" by zoning law), and is operated outdoors and not inside. We have very little to no allowance in zoning for outdoor RESIDENTIAL uses.

02:18:57 Benjamin Dunning: Mary I will need to re look up the code... I have it set aside but it is not my fingertips but can send it along if you email me at info@denverhomelessoutloud.org

02:19:29 Robin Kniech: I got a great private question I'll answer for all: "Why only 330 for social impact bond?" The short answer is that "social impact bond" is the brand name for one particular way of funding supportive housing. But it isn't the only supportive housing we are doing. We are funding a pipeline of 1800 new supportive housing apartments with the Housing Fund the dollars you all approved in 2B. I have several slides on the supportive housing pipeline, but it is 80% successful.

02:20:21 Robin Kniech: Just like SOS, the model of "supportive housing" isn't obvious to everyone. It is fundamentally apartments at rents folks can afford + services. It isn't a shelter. But people can be nervous, confused when it is proposed. To help neighborhoods understand this model we worked with RNO leaders and others to create a guide.

02:20:22 Darcy Wilson: Clara Brown commons is a place in the Cole neighborhood. It also contains a tiny home village already, so why not the rest of the acreage???

02:20:54 Robin Kniech: One thing folks can do in their RNO today is to look at the guide, share it and learn about that housing now, before possible projects get proposed, so you're more ready for the conversation.

02:21:10 Cole Chandler & Mark Montes: The rest of the Clara Brown Commons site is being developed into permanently affordable housing.

02:21:30 Florence Sebern: The City owns over 2800 parcels of land, many of them parking lots and vacant land. Why are those parcels not being considered?

02:21:32 Robin Kniech: Here is the link to the guide on supportive housing: (scroll to the bottom of the page)

02:21:32 Mary Ann Thompson: What about access to public transportation?

02:21:33 Robin Kniech:

https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Departments/Denver-City-Council/Council-Members

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/Robin-Kniech-Council-At-Large
                Marisa Valeras: Is there additional work being done to address some
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of the barriers that discourage folks from using the shelter system?
                                Maris - YES. By making shelter 24/7 instead of
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                Robin Kniech:
having to stand in line and re-compete for a bed each night, including more health
and other services, we saw a 60% increase in shelter usage in 2020. People shared
that it felt more calm, more of their needs were met. So they were more willing to
come inside.
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                Robin Kniech:
                                But we do have more work to do on continuing to
improve shelter. This is another thing 2B will be helping with. Some shelters are
still outdated, not accessible, not culturally responsive for some populations.
02:23:36
                Florence Sebern:
                                        Will the chat be preserved and available on
the INC website?
02:24:16
                D - Joel Noble (Curtis Park): Please send your questions for
speakers in the chat box. Be polite to our guests! Moderator will call on people to
unmute and ask questions with the most frequent themes
02:25:06
                Luchia Brown:
                                This panel has been incredible! Thank you, INC, for
putting it on.
02:25:12
                Florence Sebern:
                                        CW Kniech, I have seen significant private
donor dollars and State funds in the city homeless budgets.
                                        This will be an unpopular comment with this
                Paige Burkeholder:
group as you all seem to think this is an amazing solution. Personally, I like that
the City purchased a hotel. I don't think it is dignified to place people in tents
in a gate (like a cage) not close to services, stores, transportation. To ignore
the mental health issues and drug addictions is wrong. And some people just cant,
for whatever reason, take in living next to or adjacent to these sites. They
shouldn't be shamed for that. Everyone does have "stuff", even the neighbors in park
hill that do not support this site. They have their own life challenges too and the
shaming of these neighbors that do not want to "take on" homeless issues is the
hypocrisy of what you claim of them. I know these comments will not change them,
but it would be nice for you to listen to them as much as you ask them to listen to
     My personal opinion seeking multiple sides of very complex issues.
02:26:53
                Emmett Hobley: Have you increased the section 8 voucher system?
02:27:02
                Marty Harrison: Can Cole or Robin please talk about the
accountability of the TSOS residents? Are they encouraged/ required to work on the
aspects of life that will get them out of their current situation? Employment,
housing, mental health, physical health, drug/ alcohol addiction, etc.
                                This panel has been extremely well organized,
                Nancy Hart:
structured & chaired. Deeply appreciate hearing from so many perspectives & the
discussion
02:29:46
                Robin Kniech:
                                Emmett - section 8 or Housing Choice Vouchers are
federal programs, council doesn't create or control them. They go from the federal
government to Denver Housing Authority. But good news - in the federal American
Rescue Plan allocated 190 new/additional vouchers to DHA!
                Benjamin Dunning:
02:30:48
                                        Accountability for residents? How about
accountability for neighborhoods for providing access to services? Instead of
pushing their poor to other neighborhoods so it looks like they do not have poor in
their neighborhood because the shiopped them out.
                Florence Sebern:
                                        Why were shelters not operating 24/7 to
02:31:41
begin with?
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24hr shelters have been a huge improvement=

02:32:11

Benjamin Dunning:

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much more stable=
                                        Great job chairing all this, Joel!
02:34:28
                D-Bruce Baskette:
02:35:08
                Darcy Wilson:
                               This is an excellent event thank you for hosting
Joel!!!
02:35:22
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
                                                This was EXCELLENT!!! Thank you from
me personally and on behalf of my community.
                Marty Harrison: Benjamin, I think you misunderstood me. We all have
02:35:37
responsibilities that we must meet for our community to do better and thrive. I'm
all for working to help us all have a better and safe life. Some can give more
effort than others but we all have to work.
                                                Enlightening and well presented by
                D-Judy Baxter Montclair:
      Joel terrific organization and moderation.
all.
02:36:21
                Marty Harrison: Thanks to everyone on this. This was very helpful
and a desperately needed conversation that we all need to have.
                                        The CVC slide for this presentation differs
02:36:39
                Florence Sebern:
from the CVC resident handout, which says "no substance use in common areas." That
appears to translate into substance use in private tents.
                Cole Chandler & Mark Montes:
                                                The use agreement states "No drugs
or alcohol" just like the slide on the screen. That's the fact.
02:38:00
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
                                                Thanks you, Travis!
                                        Perhaps the video and the chat could/should
02:38:08
                D-Bruce Baskette:
be sent to all councilpeople?
                Florence Sebern:
                                        Please provide the use agreement. :)
02:38:09
02:38:19
                Peggy Randall: Thank you Travis!
02:39:11
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
                                               Would it be appropriate to circulate
the Park Hill NGA to all?
                Gerald Horner: Well done! This forum has been wonderful. I hope
02:39:19
more neighborhoods step up to help and I'm encouraged to hear folks interested in
action around this issue. Thank you, INC, for doing this event.
                Jacqui Shumway Park Hill UMC:
                                                Ooops! GNA - Good Neighbor Agreement
02:40:45
02:41:13
                D - Wende Reoch Cranmer Park/Hilltop:
                                                        Great forum and information.
I plan to share with my fellow board members.
                                Thank you all - Joel and panelists - for your
                Parry Burnap:
compassionate leadership. Your work is ground-breaking, and this important session
was eye opening. Every Denverite should watch this!
                Robin Kniech:
                                Thank you to all who spent your Saturday morning
learning, engaging, sharing. It is an honor to represent this city, humbling to try
to meet the needs of this rich, challenging diverse city, but conversations like
this keep me going.
                D - Betsy Rubner DPHD: Very well done to all. Thank you!
02:43:19
02:43:22
                Ann Putsche:
                                Thank you!
                Lisa Saenz:
                                We are all Human No one is better because one has a
02:43:37
home and some don't .
02:43:40
                D-Carol Hunter: What a fantastic panel! Many thanks.
                                Thanks so much for this!
                Eloísa Lynch:
02:43:47
                Vicky Putsche: Excellent panel and moderator. Thank you.
02:44:35
                                Joel - when you please post the recorded session,
02:45:42
                Tina Axelrad:
please provide a link to me directly - I will share with staff. Thank you for this
opportunity.
02:46:25
                Robin Kniech:
                                Next week!
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