

# 2021 Seattle City Council Statement of Legislative Intent

Council Budget Action: Agenda

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**Budget Action Title:** Request that HSD provide a quarterly report on activities responding to unsheltered homelessness

Ongoing: Yes Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Alex Pedersen

Council Members:

Staff Analyst: Jeff Simms

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## Statement of Legislative Intent:

This Statement of Legislative Intent (SLI) would request that the Human Services Department (HSD) provide a quarterly report to City Council in the form of a Clerk File that provides basic performance metrics of the Unsheltered Outreach and Response Team, Homelessness Provider Ecosystem, or its successor. This report would be similar to what was previously reported by HSD on the performance of the City's Navigation Team. These reports would ensure consistent reporting to the public by HSD and its contracted homelessness outreach providers to assess the outcomes and efficacy of responses to unsheltered homelessness. Reports should be submitted by April 30, July 31, and November 18, 2021.

The quarterly reports would discuss the basic performance and outcomes of the Unsheltered Outreach and Response Team, Homelessness Outreach and Provider Ecosystem, or its successor, to provide homelessness outreach services. HSD and its contracted providers would, at minimum, report on the performance measures previously reported by the Navigation Team for both the field work carried out by HSD staff and the work of contracted outreach providers. For instances where an alternative metric would be provided, HSD should provide a justification to explain why the alternative metric better measures the impact.

The metrics to report on would convey the performance in the following areas:

- 1) Number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness who were engaged and connected to services;
- 2) Number people experiencing unsheltered homelessness who were engaged and connected to safer spaces, including permanent housing, enhanced shelter, basic shelter, tiny home villages, or motel/hotel rooms; and
- 3) Number of hazardous and unsafe conditions stemming from, and found within, unauthorized encampments and any actions taken to address them.

The reports would be submitted to the Chair of the Select Committee on Homelessness Strategies and Investments, or its successor, with a copy provided to the Central Staff Director.

## Responsible Council Committee(s):

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**Date Due to Council:**

April 30, 2021