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# Public Safety Committee

**TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS      DATE: AUGUST 4, 2015**

**FROM: COUNCILMEMBER JIM PERRY      WARD: ALL**

**SUBJECT: ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTERS 9.04, 6.15.020, AND 13.04.10 OF THE RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO CAMPING AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY ON CITY PROPERTY - DIRECT SUBMITTAL**

## **ISSUES:**

Whether to add Section 9.04.600 to the Riverside Municipal Code ("RMC") to include language that prohibits camping on public streets, sidewalks, and property. Whether to amend Section 13.04.10 of the RMC to include the language prohibiting camping. Whether to amend Section 6.15.020 of the RMC to include the definition of camp paraphernalia as personal property.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Public Safety Committee recommend to the City Council adoption of the proposed amendments to Sections 6.15.020, 9.04.600, and 13.04.10 of the RMC prohibiting camping on public property.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Currently, the RMC does not contain any provisions that would prohibit camping on public property, such as sidewalks, streets or parks. Nor is there any prohibition against storing personal camp paraphernalia on public property. The proposed amendments to the RMC will apply to all persons camping within the City of Riverside (without a permit), regardless of their status. The RMC will also be amended to prohibit the storage of personal property, including camp paraphernalia, on public property.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

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Attachment:

1. Ordinance