



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** May 21, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of Administrative Policy GA-27, Temporary Safe Stay Area Guidelines, Rules, & Enforcement

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of County Administrator's signature of General Administrative Policy GA-27, Temporary Safe Stay Area Guidelines, Rules & Enforcement.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

On October 29, 2024, the Temporary Safe Stay Area (TSSA) was established by Deschutes County and the City of Bend through a Joint Resolution (County 2024-046; City 3401).

The intent of the TSSA, as stated in the adopted resolutions, is to "...mitigate and improve the health and safety risks associated with unmanaged camping, and to provide improved sanitation services and case management to facilitate people camping at Juniper Ridge moving into safe shelter or housing."

Section 5 of the Joint Resolution authorizes County and City staff to develop administrative policies needed to coordinate and manage the TSSA, including, among other things, enforcement and monitoring strategies, reduction in unlawful access points and rules regarding open flames.

The City of Bend memorialized a version of this policy on April 28, 2025.

County Legal was unable to review this policy (GA-27) due to its previous opinion relative to the TSSA and applicable land use regulations.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

N/A

**ATTENDANCE:**

Kristie Bollinger, County Property Management  
Erik Kropp, Deputy County Administrator