



CITY OF NORMAN

TEMPORARY CAMPING ORDINANCE

City Council Special Meeting
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Building an Inclusive Community

Temporary Camping Ordinance

WICHITA, KANSAS

CHAPTER 5.20. - CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY WITHOUT A PERMIT

Sec. 5.20.023. - Unlawful camping—Private property.

- (c) A person may be allowed to Temporarily Camp on Private Property with the written permission of the owner or person entitled to possession. Such permission must include the name, address and phone number of the person giving such authorization. It is unlawful for a person to Camp or Temporarily Camp on Private Property without authorization of the owner or occupant. Such person may be removed, along with their Personal Property immediately without prior notice.

"Temporarily Camp" means camping for a period not exceeding seventy-two (72) consecutive hours. Section 5-20-015(G).

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Title 23 – Land Use Code

Chapter 23.40 - COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS REQUIRED—EXCEPTIONS

23.42.054 - Transitional encampments located on property owned or controlled by a religious organization

- A. Transitional encampment use on property owned or controlled by a religious organization. A transitional encampment is allowed on a site in any zone, if the property is owned or controlled by a religious organization, subject to the provisions of subsection 23.42.054.B. If the site includes property developed with legally-established parking that is accessory to a religious facility or other use established on the property, then any parking displaced by the encampment does not need to be replaced.
- B.



PROPOSED TEMPORARY CAMPING ORDINANCE

Section 1. Purpose

Section 2. Definitions

Section 3. Temporary Residential Camping Permit Authorized

Section 4. Eligibility

Section 5. Occupancy Limitations

Section 6. Local Requirements

Section 7. Sanitation and Health Requirements

Section 8. Conduct Requirements

Section 9. Permit Term

Section 10. Inspections

Section 11. Revocation

Section 12. No Tenancy Created

Section 13. Enforcement



CONCERNS

Covenants

- Restrictive covenants are private agreement between property owners.
- Some restrictive covenants prohibit temporary structures.
- The City does not have the power to suspend restrictive covenants'
- Owners considering allowing someone to camp on their property should contact their attorney to determine if there are any restrictive covenants that apply and whether they allow

Insurance

- Not sure how insurance companies will respond to an insured allowing someone to camp on insured property.
- Owners considering allowing someone to camp on their property should contact their insurance company to discuss coverage issues.

Premises Liability

- Oklahoma continues to recognize the traditional categories of invitee, licensee, and trespasser in premises liability cases. The duty owed depends on the entrant's status.
- The owner of premises has a duty to a licensee, whose presence on the premises is known or reasonably should be known, not to injure [him/her] 1) by a willful or wanton act, or 2) by needlessly exposing [him/her] to danger by a failure to warn of any hidden danger on the premises that is known to the [owner/occupant] and that the licensee is not likely to discover by [himself/herself]. This duty is limited to any hidden danger that the [owner/occupant] actually knows about, and the [owner/occupant] has no duty to inspect the premises for hidden dangers.





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QUESTIONS