## Memorandum



DATE January 26, 2018

<sup>TO</sup> Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

## **SUBJECT Status Update on Citizen Concerns Related to Homeless Encampment**

This memo is in response to homeless encampment concerns raised by three speakers during the open microphone session of City Council's meeting on January 24th. The referenced homeless encampment area is bound by Stemmons Trail, West Northwest Highway and Storey Lane.

On January 18, 2018, after outreach and engagement of the homeless individuals by the Office of Homeless Solutions staff, the public property was cleared. Unfortunately, the encampment and largest concentrations of trash and bulk items are on private property located at 2300 Storey Lane and 2397 Stemmons Trail. Both properties are owned by one individual.

The Code Compliance Department officer inspected the encampment area on January 25, 2018. Notices of violation for litter were issued to the property owners at 2300 Storey Lane, 2397 Stemmons Trail and 2380 W. Northwest Highway. The property owners must abate the nuisance before the reinspection which is scheduled for February 1, 2018. Failure to comply will result in the properties being referred to nuisance abatement for clean-up on February 2, 2018. Assigned street outreach workers will continue to patrol the area and make every effort to connect individuals residing at the site with shelter and other identified services.

Should you have any questions or require an individual briefing, please let me know. Additional updates may be provided by Kris Sweckard, Director of Code Compliance.

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