



Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board

Update: Refuge Space to People Currently Experiencing Homelessness September 16, 2020

Al Bangoura, Superintendent

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Implementing Resolution 2020-267

- Directives outlined in resolution
 - Estimated 347 tents at 22 park sites, down from 380 tents on 9/2
- Progress toward moving encampment occupants into shelter and housing suitable for winter conditions
 - Meetings and letters to city, county and state
 - State of Minnesota
 - \$23 million to Hennepin County, Minneapolis and others; \$170,000 to MPRB
 - No request from city or county for emergency shelter capacity
 - Funding, applications for qualified providers for hotel-to-home opportunities
 - City of Minneapolis and Hennepin County
 - Three new shelters opening; one in December 2020 and two in 2021
 - Funding for emergency shelters to remain open 24/7 for next two years
 - Cold weather concerns
 - Partner capacity continues to be one of the biggest challenges
 - Limited shelter, October temperatures, MPRB ordinances re fires/propane



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Encampment Permit Process and Open Time Comments

Jennifer Ringold, Deputy Superintendent

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Open Time on 9/2 MPRB received:

143 comments about the homeless encampments.

51 comments were received by Customer Service.

Minnehaha, Loring, Nokomis, Matthews have the highest number of complaints. Most regarding safety, trash, drug use and needles being found.

92 comments were received as open time submissions.

22 in support of the encampments.

15 were a 5 -point form

One was a petition with 35 families in support

117 were opposed to the encampments.

45 of those were forms regarding the impact of the Peavy Park encampment on Hope Academy

6 were a form stating Peavy Park encampment is violating safety standards

2 of the comments were neutral or were sent as observations.

Since 9/2 MPRB received:

158 comments about the homeless encampments

156 were received by Customer Service
2 were received as Open Time submissions

5 were in support of the encampments
138 were opposed to the encampments

Peavey Park has become a focus of these comments

15 of the comments were neutral or were sent as observations.



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Temporary Encampment Permit Update

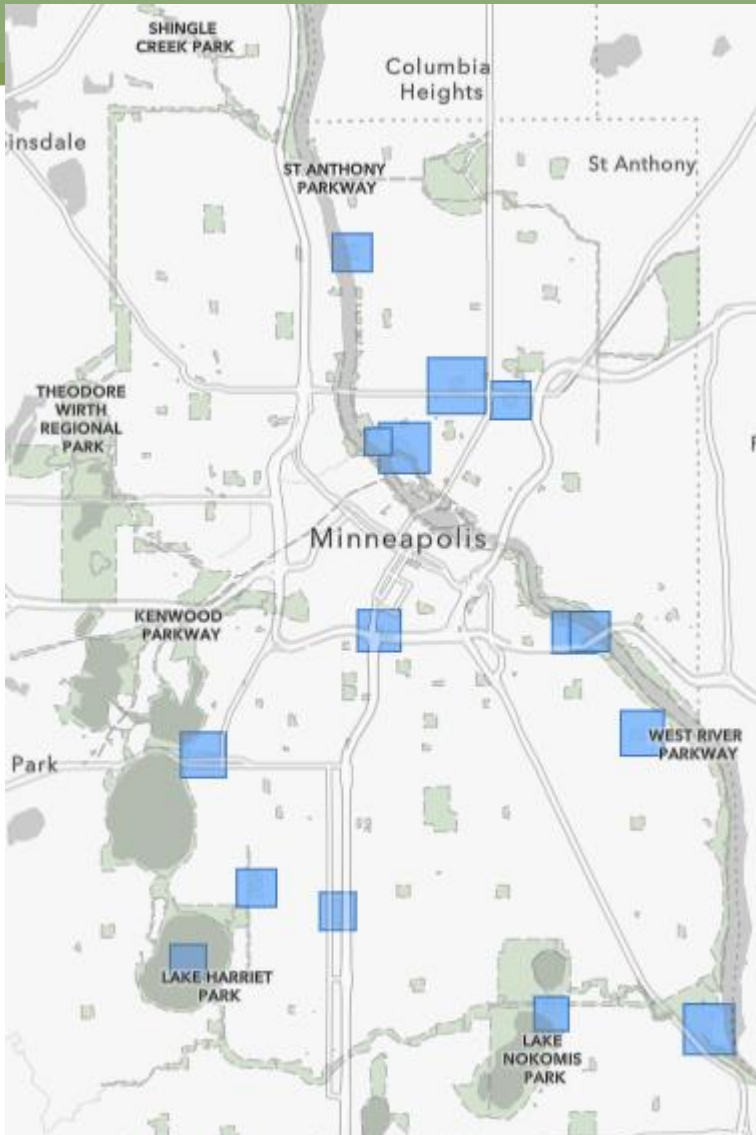
- 15 Active Permits – Beltrami, BF Nelson, Boom Island, Brackett, Franklin Steele, Lake Harriet, Lake Nokomis, Logan, Lyndale Farmstead, Marshall Terrace, Minnehaha, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Riverside, Riverside/Annie Young Meadows, and The Mall

Hennepin County Shelter Vacancies (numbers vary daily)

- 14 single adult beds for males
- 15 single adult beds for females
- 39 family rooms for those with kids



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Active Temporary Permitted Encampments

1. Beltrami
2. BF Nelson
3. Boom
4. Brackett
5. Franklin Steele
6. Lake Harriet
7. Lake Nokomis
8. Logan
9. Lyndale Farmstead
10. Marshall Terrace
11. Minnehaha Falls
12. Rv. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr
13. Riverside
14. Riverside/Annie Young Meadow
15. The Mall



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Overview of Current Encampments

Jeremy Barrick, Assistant Superintendent of Environmental Stewardship

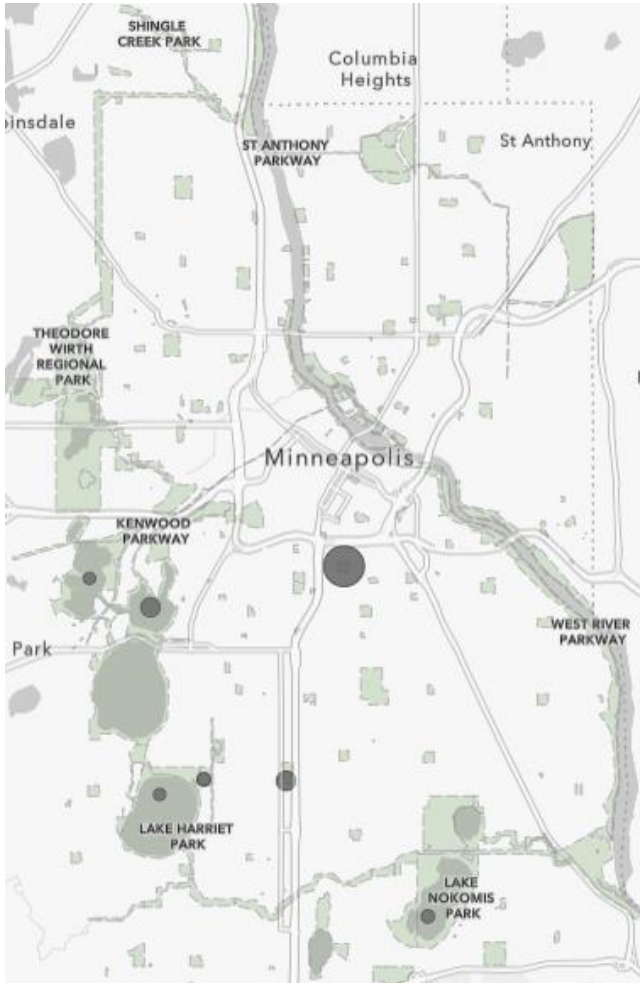
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Locations of Non-Permitted Encampments



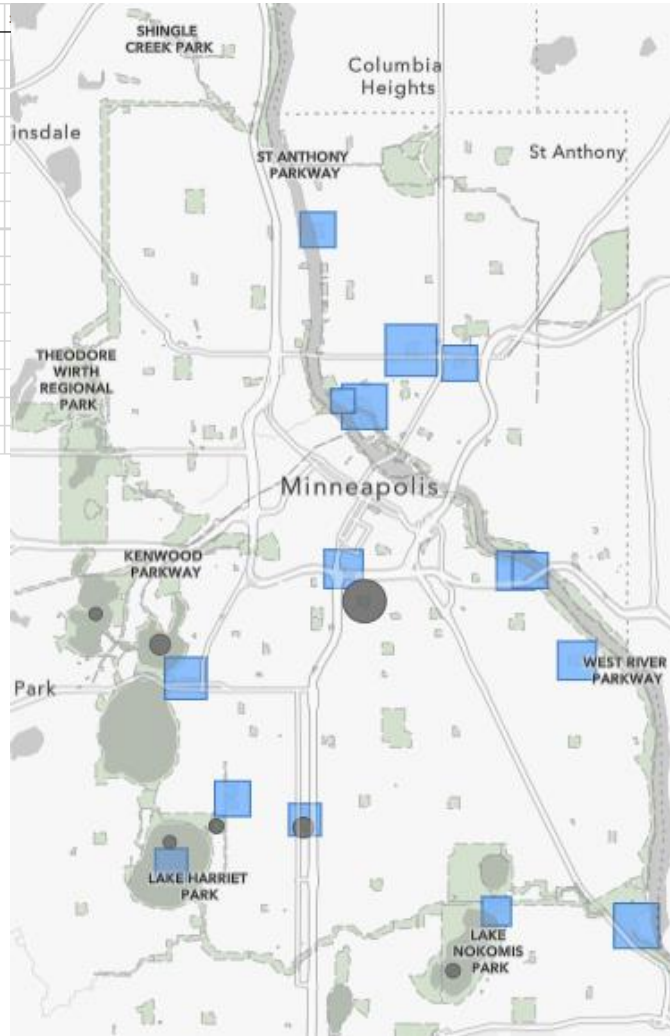
Encampment Location	# Tents
Cedar Lake	1
Lk Harriet other	1
Lk Nokomis Other	2
Lk of the Isles	7
Lyndale Park	2
MLK other	7
Peavey	25



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Overview of Current Encampments

Encampment Location	# Tents
Beltrami Encampment	18
BF Nelson Encampment	27
Boom Island Encampment	10
Brackett Encampment	22
Franklin Steele Encampment	21
Lake Harriet Encampment	15
Lake Nokomis Encampment	15
Logan Encampment	31
Lyndale Farmstead Encampment	18
Marshall Terrace Encampment	18
Minnehaha Falls Encampment	27
MLK Encampment	17
Riverside Encampment	19
Riverside Park / Annie Young Meadow Encampment	21
The Mall Encampment	23



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Encampment Locations

MPRB Status

- Permit
- Designated
- No Status

Number of Tents





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Encampment Financial Update

Juli Wiseman, Finance Director

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Encampment Financial Update

	Actual As of 8/31
Revenue	
Temporary Easement	94,800
MN Emergency Response Funds*	167,354
Total Revenues	262,154
Expenses	
Wages & Fringe	105,271
Materials & Supplies	13,620
Biffs & Washing Stations	32,950
Contractual Services	64,528
Site Restoration	46,604
Total Expenses	262,973
 Revenue Less Expenses	 (819)

*Funding request submitted for \$85,000 for expenses through 9/30



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Questions?

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