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LEE GERNER PARK UPDATE

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 25, 2022

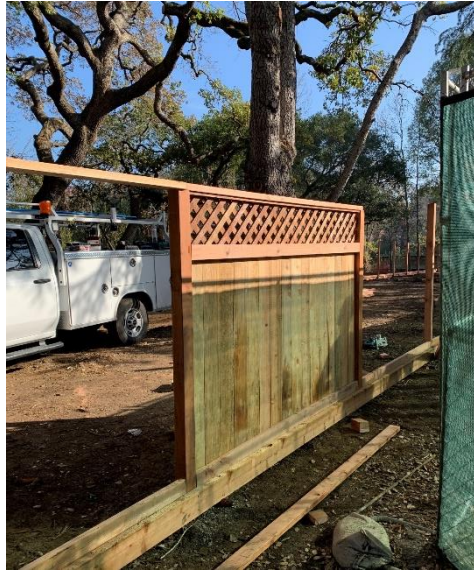


BACKGROUND

- October 18, 2021 Federal Court Order to construct Temporary Camp at Lee Gerner Park
- City designed, constructed, and relocated people from elsewhere in the park to the Temp Camp
- Court Order allows for the park to be cleared from other encampments outside of the Temp Camp



TEMP CAMP CONSTRUCTION – DECEMBER '21



COMPLETED TEMPORARY CAMP – JANUARY '22



LEE GERNER PARK CLEANUP – JANUARY ‘22



January 5, 2022



January 25, 2022

REMAINING WORK TO BE COMPLETED

- Relocation of four people still living within Lee Gerner Park
- Cleanup of northwest end of park behind medical offices
- Erosion control/reseeding of lawn areas



EXPECTATIONS GOING FORWARD

- The Temporary Camp at Lee Gerner Park is still a homeless camp
- New people experiencing homelessness will likely arrive at the park
 - Relocating new people from the park will take a few days
 - There are very few living alternatives for those experiencing homelessness in Marin
- How long will the Temporary Camp exist at the park?
 - Until those living there transition into housing or relocate elsewhere - or -
 - Until the CDC revises guidance on homeless encampments - or -
 - Until the pending litigation is resolved



WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

- Visit novato.org/homelessness to learn more about the issue.
- Consider donating to homeless support organizations.
- Please limit donated items to clean clothes, non-perishable or individually-wrapped food items, or other small items. Furniture and large items cannot be accepted at Lee Gerner Park.





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QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

