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CBJ explains process for potential building acquisition for shelter at Sept. 9 public meeting

The City and Borough of Juneau is considering the purchase of a building to provide space for a cold weather shelter using federal CARES Act funding. Learn about the process during a virtual public information meeting on Wednesday, September 9, at 5 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information to the public and get feedback on proposed sites. Comments from community members are welcome. CBJ has not determined which site is most suitable and not purchasing a building at all remains an option.

CBJ issued a building solicitation proposal on <u>July 14</u> with a July 28 deadline. The solicitation period was then reopened on <u>August 19</u> with an August 26 deadline. Potential sites for consideration include:

- 201 Cordova Street
- 1720 Crest Street (JMA building)
- 1108 F Street (Bill Ray Center)
- 247 Franklin Street (Glory Hall)
- 1711 Glacier Ave (Breakwater Inn)
- 224 Seward Street (Sommers Building)
- 435 Willoughby Ave (Driftwood Hotel)
- 535 Willoughby Ave (warehouse building)
- Continuing to use the former armory building in Downtown Juneau
- No site

The September 9 public information meeting will be conducted virtually with video and telephonic participation only. Join the Zoom webinar https://juneau.zoom.us/j/94264788341 and enter Webinar ID 942 6478 8341. To participate telephonically, call 1-346-248-7799 or 1-669-900-6833 or 1-253-215-8782 or 1-312-626-6799 and enter Webinar ID 942 6478 8341. During the public comment portion of the meeting, community members can provide testimony by clicking the "Raise Hand" function on the Zoom webinar or pressing *9 on the telephone.

If you're unable to attend the meeting but have comments, contact Chief Housing Officer Scott Ciambor at 586-0220 or Scott.Ciambor@juneau.org.

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Brief Questionnaire

The City and Borough of Juneau is considering the purchase of a building to provide space for a cold weather shelter using federal CARES Act funding. Below are a number of questions to assist in getting feedback.

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- 1. Have you utilized the cold weather shelter service during the past three winters?
- 2. There seems to be a few main options for the continuation of cold weather shelter services. Please note your preference:
 - a. Continue to utilize the Armory building for the cold weather shelter (through April 15, 2021 or end of the pandemic);
 - b. Purchase one of the buildings that provided a letter of interest;
 - c. No site purchase at this time; re-evaluate continuation of cold weather shelter services after April 15, 2021.
 - d. Other:
- 3. If a building purchase is the option, which one of the buildings do you prefer?
 - a. 201 Cordova Street
 - b. 1720 Crest Street (JMA building)
 - c. 1108 F Street (Bill Ray Center)
 - d. 247 Franklin Street (Glory Hall)
 - e. 1711 Glacier Ave (Breakwater Inn)
 - f. 224 Seward Street (Sommers Building)
 - g. 435 Willoughby Ave (Driftwood Hotel)
 - h. 535 Willoughby Ave (warehouse building)
 - i. Walmart building, Lemon Creek
 - j. None

Please provided any other additional feedback below: