

Question	Order	Panel Member	Note
Project History and Background			
ASHLEY: Write opening sentence first:			
How did this shelter project come about? Who are you trying to serve with this shelter?		Tara	
What have been some of the successes that you've seen with people in shelter right now?		Tara	
What have been some of the challenges that you've seen?			
Neighboring property owners have reported more used needles, litter, graffiti, dumpster activity, theft and crime in the area since the temporary shelter has been in operation. How would the panel respond to this concern?			
Some feel the city must address homelessness in a more permanent way rather than temporary housing that does not address the root problems our city and its population faces. Why does the City believe this shelter is needed in our community?			
Why did the City decide that this is a good location for this shelter?			
Why has this happened without any community involvement?			
We've had some community members who describe trying to help homeless people in their neighborhood who then refuse the help and say they don't want to go to a shelter. Why would we need more shelters in this case?			
Why would people be motivated to get jobs or move on if they have a hotel room the City is paying for?			
Operations			
What kind of services will be onsite at the new shelter?		Tara	
Who will run it?			
Who can check people in?			
Will there be services for walk ins? Or only to those staying there?			
What is the meal arrangement?			
Are pets allowed in the rooms?			
What about rules or policies at the facility?			
Once the shelter is in operation, how can the community provide feedback to the City about what's working and what needs attention?			
Safety			
We've received a number of questions about safety in the area. The question reads: "If this is approved, what level of security is guaranteed to prevent crime in the area?"			
Another email about safety reads: "I live in the Verde Vista and absolutely do not want more homeless issues around. I pay way too much money for my community to be trashed like half of what Asheville has already become! I work close by and see enough drugs, needles, homeless causing problems, weapons, cars being broken into, alcohol and trash. Asheville is turning into an unsafe slum." How would the panel respond to this email?			
Who will provide onsite security should a fight happen during the night?			
Next question, from the email is: "The shelter does not allow residents to bring drugs, alcohol or firearms into the shelter, but the residents have taken those activities into the neighborhood with drugs being going down in the parking lots and needles littering the sidewalks. What are the city's plans for discontinuing these practices?"			
Impact			
What is the standard expectation for people to graduate from this shelter to housing?			
What is the measure of success?			
What is the impact that this shelter will have on homelessness?			
What impact do you think this will have on total individuals in homelessness? Do you think this kind of facility would be a magnet for other homeless people from other places?			
Why would people be motivated to get jobs or move on if they have a hotel room the City is paying for? How long do you think their stay would be?			
Some of the questions we've received want to know if there is an end date to the property being used as a shelter. What is the end date? Will this location always be a shelter when the City buys it?			
How can you assure or provide continuity to allow these individuals to be self supporting and be contributors to our community?			
What are some of the questions that you have heard from the community?			