

Summary
Board Bill Number 14
Introduced by Alderman Thomas Oldenburg
April 29, 2022

The proposed bill would prohibit tents or similar shelters regardless of the materials in their construction or whether temporary or permanent, within public rights or way or in a manner that would impede the use or maintenance or a public right of way. The bill defines “public right of way” as: Any portion of a street, alley, sidewalk, pedestrian or bicycle path, easement, body of water, drainage works such as River Des Peres, and any other property that is owned, controlled, or maintained by the City of St. Louis.

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1 An ordinance prohibiting tents or similar shelters regardless of the materials in their construction
2 or whether temporary or permanent, within public rights or way or in a manner that would
3 impede the use or maintenance of a public right of way; and containing a definition of “public
4 right of way.”

5 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

6 **SECTION ONE.** It shall be prohibited in the City of St. Louis to erect tents or similar shelters
7 regardless of the materials used in their construction or whether temporary or permanent, within
8 public rights of way or to erect tents or similar shelters in such a manner that would impede the
9 use or maintenance of public rights of way.

10 **SECTION TWO.** For purposes of this ordinance “public right of way” shall mean: Any portion
11 of a street, alley, sidewalk, pedestrian or bicycle path, easement, body of water, drainage works
12 such as River Des Peres, and any other property that is owned, controlled, or maintained by the
13 City of St. Louis.