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City confirms location for extreme weather/emergency shelter this winter

The extreme weather / emergency shelter for homeless people will be located next to the downtown fire hall again this winter.

Council has confirmed that up to \$5,000 will be available to make any modifications needed at 675 13th Ave. for safety purposes.

“As part of the City’s ongoing efforts to alleviate long-term homelessness, we continue to work with local organizations as well as Island Health and BC Housing to establish a sobering assessment centre in Campbell River,” says Mayor Andy Adams. *“Eventually, the shelter could be relocated to the site of such a centre.”*

This will be the fourth winter that the portable extreme weather / emergency shelter is available downtown for homeless people in Campbell River. The City contributed \$15,000 last fall to refurbish the shelter, and sponsored the operation of one of the rooms at a cost of \$6,000.

The 16-bed shelter is owned and operated by Campbell River Family Services.

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