



**AGENDA SUMMARY  
EUREKA CITY COUNCIL**

**TITLE: Syringe Management Ordinance**

**DEPARTMENT: City Manager**

**PREPARED BY: Greg Sparks**

**PRESENTED FOR:**            Action             Information only             Discussion

**RECOMMENDATION**

Waive reading, read by title only and introduce Bill No. 950-C.S., an Ordinance of the City of Eureka adding Title IX, Chapter 94 - Regulation of Syringe Exchange Programs and Safe Disposal of Sharps Sections 94.50 thru 94.57

**FISCAL IMPACT**

                  No Fiscal Impact             Included in Budget             Additional Appropriation

**COUNCIL GOALS/STRATEGIC VISION**

**DISCUSSION**

The Regulation of Syringe Exchange Programs and Safe Disposal of Sharps is part of a multi-pronged approach to addressing harmful syringe waste in the City of Eureka. The city through EPD, Code Enforcement, Community Services, and the City Manager have engaged with stakeholders from DHHS, St. Joseph Hospital, Open Door Clinic, HWMA and Humboldt Center for Harm Reduction (HACHR) to foster solutions. Out of those discussions has come the DHHS sharps kiosks, City sharps container program, and a close evaluation and changes to exchange practices. To supplement these efforts, the City Council requested staff to prepare an ordinance that provides a degree of local control over Syringe Exchange Programs-SEPs.

The draft ordinance provides a number of criteria including: quarterly reporting, referral services, clean-ups, operating distance from schools, and waste disposal practices.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:**

- City Attorney
- City Clerk/Information Services
- Community Services
- Development Services
- Finance
- Fire
- Personnel
- Police
- Public Works

**ATTACHMENTS:**