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Testimony to **Portland City Council** on the **Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Recommended Draft**

I cannot support the code change proposal: Shelter to Housing Continuum UNLESS the code creates equity. All neighborhoods, no matter their income levels and racial/ethnic make up, must share in the responsibility to solve Portland's homeless and housing crisis. A solution would be to place an "Equity Matrix", similar to PBOT's, into the proposal to guide policy makers in their decision. Such a tool would distribute responsibility evenly amongst neighborhoods. This would avoid dumping the solutions onto neighborhoods that already carry the brunt of low income/service/housing solutions. It would redistribute the problem of solving of Portland's homeless and housing crisis to all neighborhoods in the City. Please accept and act on this suggestion. We in East County can no longer tolerate the City's neglect of our neighborhoods as a result of policies that create increased economic disparity while more politically powerful neighborhoods remain untouched. Note: I will be sharing my viewpoint with my Argay Terrace Neighborhood Association so that more people can testify. Thank you, Bill

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