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The proposal to allow the city to declare parks open for camping for 180 days based on a declared emergency is flawed because there is no limit on how many ‘emergencies’ can be declared end-to-end. The ability to use parks would disincentivize and delay the emergence of more permanent solutions to this problem.

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