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I STRONGLY oppose unsheltered individuals being able to camp/sleep wherever they want in our city. It severely and negatively impacts the livability of our neighborhoods (trash, drugs, theft, safety, etc.). I also STRONGLY oppose camps in city parks. Parks are for kids and others to play in. If the city wants to collect all the homeless people and house them in city sanctioned camps/shelters I would ask for three things: (1) the city supervise the camps to reduce trash, drugs, theft in the surrounding areas of the camps, (2) the city strictly enforce that the homeless can't camp wherever they like, and (3) the city only provide these gifts to Portland residents so we don't attract homeless people from all over the state and country.

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