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

Please look at this drone video a neighbor posted on Next Door.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29aNjgsjURY>. The devastation that is going on there shows what is likely to happen if people are 'permitted' to camp in our parks. Yesterday at Lents someone had a picnic ( your system wont's let me paste the 2 pictures I took. ) Litter everywhere. Open food containers and residue. Beer bottles and plastic over a 20 sq foot area. nice. The parks are one of the few places that we can go safely as seniors, with kids or dogs. I'm just begging you to be explicit about no camping in the Parks. Saying only in an 'emergency' isn't enough- as we are in an emergency with covid. Fire, Flood, earthquake I get it- yes- so everyone can safely be outdoors. I pay property taxes, I take food to pantries and shelters, and cleaning supplies to folks along Powell and Foster. Please save the parks.

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