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

I write this for my houseless neighbors and their needs for basic services: sewage, transportation, running water and all the amenities that are necessary for human life and dignity. The majority, proportionately, of recently houseless are historically 'socially disadvantaged' and POC. The City is perpetuating racist actions by pushing for this Shelter to Housing Continuum that will change the zoning to allow temporary shelters in our parks--that includes 'vehicles'. How can our neighbors find jobs, go to interviews, etc. while living in city-sponsored temporary shelter than includes living in a vehicle?! It is imperative that the City does the hard work of partnering with non-profits and other agencies to find better solutions! This proposal stands against all that Portland has historically supported. NO! This proposed project does not

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