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I believe that there is a need for housing and allotted camping areas, although I do not believe in a permanent code change. I also do not believe that sanctioned tent/ car camping should be centered in residential neighborhoods. Any of us who have dealt with encampments in our neighborhoods have seen the plethora of issues that arise out of the camps ( the drug use, property crimes, fights and nightly parties....) If this is something that the city feels the need to move forward with I do not wish that it become anything other than emergency code for a specific period of time allowing for reassessment. We can't keep experimenting with the livability of this city. What we have put in place is clearly not working!

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