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

To the Mayor and city council, Help the homeless ... YES. Camping in our parks ... NO. In the past year Portland has lost much of its charm: — Protests turn violent and destructive. — Crime expanding out into the suburbs. — Record numbers of shootings. — Garbage and graffiti all over. I've lived here for 40 years but I need reminding why "Portland is a great place to live." Our taxes are the highest around. And now you want to ruin our wonderful parks! Please do your jobs, use our tax money responsibly, and find another way.

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