

Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners:

3-16-21

I support the **Shelter to Housing Continuum**. It is an important step to making temporary shelter available to all in Portland who need it, and allows more types of permanent housing.

- The proposal lowers barriers to siting shelters and services.
- It expands the definition of Group Living, allowing more folks to live in these facilities, including SRO apartments, and co-housing.
- It gives permanent status to outdoor shelters owned by public agencies and nonprofits, such as Kenton Women's Village.
- It allows a single RV or a Tiny House on Wheels on a residential property.

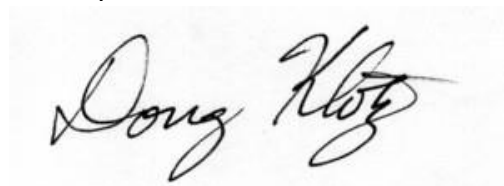
Each of these proposals has been used successfully before.

I ask you to adopt this proposal, and to go further and adopt three more policy changes, that are suggested by the Social Justice Coalition:

1. Remove the ban on Outdoor Shelters in Open Space (OS) zones, and in Rights-of-Way. OS zoning includes many usable spaces along the edge of highways or under bridges. Require any shelter located in Open Space to be approved by a case-by-case City Council vote, to ensure that only appropriate sites are authorized.
2. Allow RVs and Tiny Houses on Wheels to locate in Residential zones, and to use alternative sanitation solutions such as pumping services, rather than requiring an expensive hard-piped sewer hookup, which can cost thousands of dollars.
3. Allow churches, other faith-based organizations and Community non-profits to site Outdoor Shelters on their properties in Low-density Residential Zones.

Adopting the proposal with these changes will make a world of difference for the most unfortunate of our neighbors, and give them a start on the path to stability.

Thank you`

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Klotz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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