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

I am 100% opposed to locating homeless shelters of any kind in established residential neighborhoods. SE has already been the target of massive developments along Division and now Hawthorne which have altered the character of the neighborhood while offering no housing units for lower income residents. Now in addition those same streets are going to host homeless shelters? There is plenty of space in industrial areas, semi-empty retail malls - even Lloyd Center. Is the Bybee Lakes Hope Center 100% completed and occupied? If not, how about the city supporting that effort? My property tax bill is about to go up enormously and yet the quality of life decreasing for SE homeowners like me with rampant crime and overflowing trash - this is NOT the solution.

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