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

I'm very concerned about this clause: "The proposal would, however, allow the temporary siting of shelters in parks and open space for no more than 180 day." I do not agree or support the idea of any sheltering being allowed in public parks, for any period of time. This will make it impossible for the general public to have access to their full public parks, which is a privilege we have paid for with our taxes. This language should be removed. This city needs more overnight lodging, shelters and beds, INSIDE. In a building. I support my tax dollars going there. I don't support local parks becoming camping grounds.

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