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

As a 7-yr. Hazelwood resident (native Oregonian) and with family in the Hazelwood area for the past 20 years, I've seen many changes to the outer NE, and East sides of Portland. Most of the changes have been for the worst. Frankly, if I could afford to move out of the Portland city limits, I would. A next-door-neighbor online member, Mr. Terry Murphy, has taken considerable time and care to research and respond to the multitude of issues faced by homeowners here - and by all affected residents, issues which impact all residents in this area. I've reiterated salient points here, which I strongly agree with: RE: S2HC new proposal for shelters - new code changes affecting shelter locations - I join with all fellow neighbors in urging you to let Title 15 housing emergency EXPIRE (so to no longer permit random camping within Portland), THEN establish a new emergency declaration to allow these new shelter codes to be enacted only under the new emergency time frame. PLEASE: No permanent code changes! NOTE: 1) ... Establish equitable distribution of potential shelter spaces in ALL portland communities. NOTE: Even if SE has more potential spaces, they should be removed from the map UNTIL A BALANCE OF ALL COMMUNITIES is shown. 2) NOTE: NO permanent changes to the codes at this time. URGE YOU TO: Let Title 15 EXPIRE so that random camping is no longer allowed AND extend a new emergency declaration to allow these new codes to be enacted temporarily under the new emergency time frame (no longer than one year). 3) NOTE: An enforcement plan MUST be delineated and be expressly coupled to this action - so that as new managed shelters are established, random camps are shut down, removed, cleaned up and then monitored so they cannot reestablish. 4) URGE FOR: a detailed description of what the management plan is for each site AND who, specifically, is responsible for it's implementation, AND results need to be published BEFORE any Vote is taken. This is extremely important! The PROPOSED MAP - Yellow and Orange are the High Density Shelter Site Locations..... Residents want to help this situation, yet NOT OWN THE BRUNT OF ALL THIS. Thank you.

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