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

S2HC will make it easier to site homeless shelters in a variety of zones. Proposed amendments will exclude natural areas. Public agencies and community-based nonprofits will be able to open more shelters like the Kenton Woman's Village or the St. Johns Village. If passed, the code change will increase housing flexibility by allowing group living configurations more broadly. This means that alternative types of housing like dormitories, senior care facilities, co-housing, and single-room occupancy apartments will be easier to build. It allows an RV or a tiny house on wheels permanently on residential property — expanding housing options even further.

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