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

hello everyone on the council I was born and raised here and Portland Oregon and I have seen a lot of changes go through this city especially the homeless just camping anywhere and everywhere. I have never seen it so bad, that most people that love it here are either leaving for good or trash talking our home. I am 30 years old and I have been playing at Delta Park for years probably since I was 12 these parks were so taken care of, trash free and as far as I remember Delta had NEVER been broken into. Now with homeless people taking over because that's what's going on right now, the streets have been infected YES INFECTED by trash, drugs and people who just don't give a damn for the people that are out here actually working, picking up trash (volunteers), and people are actually trying to help the homeless. again I have seen a lot of change's some good mostly bad, but one thing I don't want to see is more homeless people taking over somewhere where I love to play. I can go on and on by the things I've seen and heard from what most people see and say from the outside in. Delta Park is like a second home i don't want it to go to something where I'm picking up trash and I feel dirty going to after or having to watch my step or even hell worrying about if my car is going to get broken into. I have been playing baseball ALL my life and playing softball at Delta for many years and I don't want to stop playing either, it will crush most of everyone that has to show up to this beautiful complex to see TRASH, DRUGS, SLEEPING BAGS, TENTS, and most of all TRASH! look around they don't pick up after themselves what do you think is going to happen when they get to these places? we know whoever you think is going to pick up after them are not going to happen so lets just get that out of heads now. This is seriously a disgrace to Portland and to Delta Park, think of how many kids are there at the soccer fields as well the complex and think well our City Council thought that it was a good idea to put these homeless people right in front of us and peoples kids to show them we give them things and they just don't give a damn what we do for them. oh hey look mom there's a homeless person peeing on a car when there is a porta potty 10 feet next to them. eww dad why is that person taking a dump on the grass? oh wait the porta potty is tipped over I see why now. This has got to stop and to be quite frank I don't give a damn about the homeless people because we give them to much leeway for all there TRASH in our well known beautiful state. I really hope you read all the responses that people have wrote and really think what you are doing. This could hurt Delta Park in trying to up come what' been going on with COVID-19, this isn't it. AT ALL!

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