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

The proposal to use public parks as temporary homeless camps is misguided and wrong. Using any park in this manner will prevent their use by the general public. Some parks are already nearly unusable by the general public due to the rampant drug use and crime that the city has been unable to police effectively. Encouraging more such activity will only degrade the livability of the city further. There is also the issue of which parks get used for this activity. Given past practices I fear the city will rely on North and Northeast Portland to burden the impact.

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