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<u>Council Clerk – Testimony</u>
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I am opposed to Mayor Wheeler's proposal to force homeless people into camps, or face jail. People need housing, supportive housing and services. It does no good for anyone for the homeless to be swept or hidden away.

The city needs to provide services for people so they can get off the street. They should also have the option to form autonomous, safe communities, like Hazelnut Grove. Don't assume that everyone wants the same kind of shelter solution or that one type of approach works for everyone. Housed people have multiple types of housing options; so should the non-housed.

Treat people like humans. Give them dignity, respect and autonomy. No sweeps, no forced internments. No violence against the homeless. Please vote down the Mayor's proposal.

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