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It is SO FAR past time to admit that existing policies have failed. The city looks like a 3rd world nation. We need to stop waiting for the perfect long-term solution and act right NOW. There is no path forward to cleanliness and safety for this city unless street living is banned entirely. The first step is to get the people into a small number of areas where they can be helped...and not spread through every single neighborhood.

Those who will not accept help and attempt to bypass the bans need to be sent through the criminal justice system. I don't know when expecting people to be clean, avoid committing crimes, and to be respectful of the rest of society became too much to ask, but we HAVE to get back to some very simple common sense.