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To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Ban unsanctioned camping
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Hello,

I have volunteered as a homeless service provider in Old Town for now decades and all through the pandemic. What I witness daily is humane and has nothing to do with compassion. Unsanctioned camping with little to no access to services is so morally wrong; it is a laissez faire approach to give people a "good conscience". It is not about caring for the most vulnerable. I have witnessed guests who have endured all forms of abuse because of the nature of lack supervision in random camps. The most vulnerable of our houseless neighbors are suffering. We need sanctioned camping with immediate access to services and a professional triage. Allowing people to live in squalor is irresponsible, negligent, and morally wrong.

Sincerely,
Corinne