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Dear Mayor Wheeler & Council members,
Your homeless plan and it's resolutions are sound, but I don't see the risk taking or sense of urgency materialize when you talk about the timeline.

Consider the three sanctioned camps. The National Guard can construct camps for approx. 500 soldiers in about one week, so they can easily set up sites for the >3000 unsheltered people in the metro area in 6 weeks. I understand that only the Governor can mobilize the Guard but it seems a given at this point that any of the three candidates will declare a state of emergency so why not make it clear that's what you want? And the argument can't be that you need all the supportive services in place before starting construction. The way to truly achieve a "moon shot" is to hit a major milestone fast and put the pressure onto other groups responsible for other areas of the plan to get them aligned, or frankly to make them the focus of attention.

And speaking of a moon shot, building 20K housing units in 10 years I think shows a remarkable lack of imagination or ambition. When Austin TX will issue >20K multi-family building permits in 2022 it's very hard to understand why you wouldn't be able to accomplish the same.

Best regards,
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