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Regarding Resolutions #899-903, here is the message I sent to the Mayor and City Council:

“I just read your plan for helping the homeless and the addressing the entire homeless challenge. In the past I have been vocal about how disappointed I am with our city and its leadership. This message is to commend you for presenting a plan to take action; please don’t back away from it when the objections come, which they will.

It is crucial that you do something, even if it’s not perfect. Any action can be adjusted as you learn what works or doesn’t work, but inaction is the absolute worst path at a time of crisis.

If there is anything that our construction company or real estate development company can do to help, please let me know. We want to see our city heading back in the direction of being a good place to live, with clean and safe public areas and a downtown where people want to be.

Don’t give in to the naysayers, I guarantee that for every naysayer there are ten people who want you to proceed with your plan.”

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