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I support the Mayor's plan to implement designated, supervised larger-scale camping areas while eliminating the current laissez-faire approach that has left our city a mess while failing both the homeless and the tax-paying residents of the city.

In the long run, dorm-style housing could serve many of those currently homeless. Until then, let's give people a place where they can be safe, have access to services and maintain their sense of community, which is currently disrupted every time there is a sweep.

Obviously, what we have been doing for the past 5+ years is not working. Let's apply some logic, use the funds we've accumulated wisely, and exit the vortex of miser this situation creates for both the homeless and the residents of the city.

Sincerely,

Julie Blackman