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Although this problem is very complex, I am writing to support the plan to ban unsanctioned camping. The “homeless” problem is mostly an addiction and mental health problem disguised as a housing problem. Enabling is not helping.

Letting people camp is inhumane, both to the campers who are left to rot on the streets, and to housed people who expect to live, work, and shop in a clean, safe environment. This is the number-one quality of life issue in Portland.

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