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To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Agenda items 899-903 written testimony
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Dear City Council,

I am writing today in support of agenda items 899-903 in today's City Council meeting. I am in full support of Mayor Wheeler and Commissioner Ryan's plan to create a safer and more humane city for all residents. The time for bold action is now! The current state of the city, particularly unsanctioned camping, cannot continue if we are to have a safe and healthy city for all Portlanders. Unsanctioned camping on sidewalks does not provide anyone with the humane treatment and rights they deserve. Inaccessible sidewalks are dangerous for those with mobility challenges and in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Unhoused individuals in unsanctioned camps do not receive treatment or services they need in order to live healthy lives. I have seen hypodermic needles outside my son's daycare, biohazardous waste on city property and in the parking lot of my place of employment, and trash blocking sidewalks and roads.

I hope that City Council will support the current plan and work to create a safe city for all.

Sincerely,
Christina Carl
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