

Portland City Council Agenda Written Testimony
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	Name or Organization	Position	Comments	Attachment	Created
1	Maureen Mimiaga	Support	I have lived across from this property for many years and have watched it become a worse and worse blight on the neighborhood. It's been filled with trash and weeds for years, but became a dumping ground for piles of trash, mattresses and bulky items, and more. Now in recent years it's become a homeless camp which is growing by the day. We see drug activity, fighting, and we have had much more incidents of theft. Our neighbor actually saw her stroller, which had been stolen off her porch, in the pile of stuff at the camp. We've been shouted at, had our water taken without permission from our outside taps; I do not feel comfortable letting my pre-teen child walk past the property. The owner has never done a thing to improve the property and it's been a very big problem for years.	No	03/13/25 3:18 PM
2	Anonymous	Support	It's ridiculous it takes a decade to foreclose on derelict properties. Absolutely crazy this could have been apartments a decade ago it's sat vacant.	No	03/15/25 10:52 PM
3	Anonymous	Support	I have lived across the street from this property for around 20 years. The entirety of this 20 years the property has been a nuisance. In 2005 there was a dilapidated warehouse sitting on the land, which the owner called a 'church'. The 'church' was a front for the owner's niece's prostitution and drug dealing businesses. We regularly saw these exchanges happen in broad daylight. Since the warehouse was torn down, the lot has become a nesting place for the houseless population in Portland. In the past two years an encampment has grown exponentially, along with the piles of discarded concrete random trucks have taken to dumping on a somewhat regular basis, as well as hoardes of stolen home goods that are delivered on a bike trailer a few times a day. The drug deals continue, and the drug users are now squatting on the property, stealing from local properties and taking water from outside spigots without permission. The neighborhood would be otherwise quite safe, were it not for this one lot. Despite numerous attempts to reach out to Geza Development, we've never gotten a response. Please proceed with foreclosing on this property and removing the encampments quickly.	No	03/17/25 2:05 PM
4	Ian	Support	This property has been a location that people have used to illegally dump garbage, concrete, and debris. It has become a popular spot for homeless to set up camp. I have witnessed countless drug deals and an increasingly large amount of what is assumed to be stolen property. The individuals I've encountered are unfriendly and offensive when being confronted. The camp has been there for what feels like a couple years now and it's steadily expanding. I don't feel safe in my own neighborhood and I am constantly on high alert with crime. We have requested that the camp be broken down countless times and have been turned down because the delinquent owner won't respond. Please help get our neighborhood back to a safe and pleasant place again.	No	03/18/25 6:10 AM