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Re: Public comment allowing Transitional Encampments on private home owner's property.

Dear Shoreline Planning Commission,

I am writing to express my **strong opposition** to the City of Shoreline allowing Transitional encampments on private home owner's property.

My concerns include:

1. Sanitation- This is a real concern! Health issues, sanitation/Sani cans, hand washing, odor, and garbage. Encampments will increase garbage and odors. What comes with increased garbage? Illness and Rodents.
2. Noise- I moved from Seattle to Shoreline 20 years ago, in part to escape the city noise, crowding, and congestion. I enjoy my quiet yard and neighborhood. I do not relish the idea of a tent camp in my neighbor's yards with the noise pollution that will follow.
3. Crime- while I know that many in the homeless population are 'down on their luck' and are good people, it is proven that there is an increase in criminal element and drug use within these populations. I do not want this element in my neighborhood, period!
4. Regulation and Inspection-How will the city regulate and inspect these encampments? Who will respond to complaints and problems when they arise, how long will response take? Will these police/city responses take away for the tax paying citizens that deserve police and medical services?
5. Re-sale value of property-If and when I decide to sell my home and move, I do not want my potential buyers to see a homeless camp in my neighbor's yard! This would certainly lower property values and potential buyers. Conversely, I would NEVER consider buying in a neighborhood where there were homeless camps in the neighboring properties.
6. Liability and insurance-I don't want to have to call my insurance company when a homeless resident causes property damage and loss. How will Encampment sponsors and Shoreline deal with liability when crime and damage occurs?
7. Increase in homeless population-I believe that allowing encampments will draw

more homeless people to Shoreline. The City of Seattle has seen an increase in the homeless population once the word gets out and Shoreline doesn't need to attract more population that does not pay taxes and add to our community.

Please review my concerns and count my **STRONG OPPOSITION** to the Transitional Encampments proposal. Surely the City of Shoreline can come up with a better plan. I believe that Shoreline residents would be open to assisting with the homeless population through churches and social services if you offered an alternative.

Sincerely,

T. O'Toole

Richmond Beach, Shoreline WA.