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- **6.** Low barrier shelter

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Dear City Council,

We are getting close to a decision about this proposed low barrier shelter. I am begging you to listen to the pleas from your constituents. We have heard from the apologists in the so-called faith community. I have to say, I have little faith in this faith community that has somehow hit the jackpot and won the contract to manage this low barrier shelter with virtually no experience running anything similar. The community informational meeting was a complete bust. Questions were unanswered or glossed over. There is a phrase that reminds me of this situation, "follow the money".

Please council members, do not succumb to the homeless industrial complex, and the obligatory virtue signaling of the faith community.

I would also like to talk about what is really in the best interest of addicted people.

I believe these types of shelters will actually create more addicts and guarantee less reason to give up drugs. Hitting rock bottom is a timeless step towards recovery. These shelters do not allow hitting rock bottom. Where is the incentive to give up the wonderful euphoric feeling of getting high? These shelters increase the likelyhood of a downward spiral for addicts.

I would also argue that there was one recent candidate that did not win a spot on the council due to her embracing of addicts and CHELS, otherwise known as safe injection sites. The citizens rejected her laissez faire attitude toward drug addicted people in Shoreline.

We do not want a low barrier, illegal drug accepting, no background checking facility, in this neighborhood. We will remember who voted for this shelter and who voted against it.

Sincerely,

Barbara Twaddell

8. (o) Oppose

Thank you,

City of Shoreline

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