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**Subject:** Homeless Encampments

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1. It has just come to my attention that the city plans to dismantle the encampments at the First Ontario Centre and Ferguson Street. I am here to ask for reconsideration, and that the city does not dismantle homeless encampments.
2. I also ask the that the City provide interim and permanent housing for encampment residents with necessary supports
3. The City prioritize individuals experiencing homelessness for urgent housing placement
4. The City engage encampment residents in assessing their needs prior to dismantling
5. The City remove barriers in shelters and hotels in order to accommodate the individual needs of encampment residents
6. The City allow for sanctioned encampment sites and/or designate specific parks/public lands where individuals are allowed to set up tents/temporary structures
7. The City allow for a streamlined, low-barrier, accessible process of issuing permits allowing for tents and temporary structures. I appreciate the time you've taken to read this email, and hope that it reaches you in good time. Thank you, and enjoy your day.