

Pilon, Janet

Subject: Encampment Evictions

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Dear Mayor Eisenberger, Councillor Nann and those in the office of the City Clerk,

I was truly horrified to hear that the already insufficient protections for people living in encampments in this city are going to be repealed. There are many reasons why the shelter system is not a fit for people in our communities and to punish those in vulnerable situations by throwing away all that they own is inhumane.

Throughout this past year and a half, I have never been inconvenienced by the presence of people living in city parks, and even if I was, I believe a person's right to housing comes much before my need for recreational space.

I sincerely hope that you will reconsider and work in earnest to provide a workable and liveable situation for our most vulnerable neighbours.

Best,
Ben Robinson