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The proposed measure runs completely against any common sense approach to improving the city. Effectively permitting camping anywhere without the risk statutory penalty is counter intuitive to reducing homelessness and improving our city and its economy. Transferring any action to a civil matter effectively removes any barrier to this rest/camp anywhere concept, as property owners will have no real means to collect any damages from the typical "camper". Solutions that seek to create more opportunity to infringe on property owners rights and decriminalize vagrancy are not in the public's best interest. If there was a choice to select words stronger than OPPOSE, I would do so.