

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am highly supportive of Councilmember Buscaino's proposal. The current situation is untenable and incredibly dangerous. I live near an encampment (Military/Sardis) that has sprouted up during COVID. Given the suspension of Municipal Code 56.11 enforcement, I am repeatedly told by Paul Koretz's team that nothing can be done to address the heaps of trash, drug dealing, human feces and urine piled up, and debris/bulky items that litter the sidewalk and street. Walking in my once quiet and peaceful neighborhood now reminds me of my study abroad trip in New Delhi. Furthermore, I see my neighbors with strollers and wheelchairs forced into the street/into oncoming traffic due to the sidewalk being completely blocked. While I'm appreciative of the council's concern for the unhoused, I feel that this has swung too far the other way and that my rights as a property owner who pays property taxes to the city (might I add exorbitantly high) that my/my neighbors rights are continually encroached on. We should not be forced to wade through trash and syringe lined streets and I'm tired of hearing the COVID excuse. COVID cannot be a continued excuse to trash this once lovely city. Thank you Councilmember Buscaino for speaking up.