

## Craig, Sondra

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Members of Council,

I would like to request that you continue to allow Houska Park be a campground option for those who are facing homelessness in our city this Spring/Summer as the Parks Board previously voted on.

I understand from the rushed severity of the Maple Grove purchase that you all consider this time a crisis- as the Econolodge no longer becomes an option. In a crisis situation like this, why would we remove one of the options for these folks, knowing it is one that many of them may already feel comfortable with. I think it is safe to say everyone won't fit at the 26 room Maple Grove Motel property.

Has the Rivoli building been considered by the City for helping with this issue? This is a large building that would be able to accommodate everyone under the same roof. The price appears to be around the same of the Maple Grove Motel property.

Thank you. Bethany

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