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Hello Council Members, Staff, and Mayor,

Hope is hard to sustain when positive change can't be seen. Voting to continue camping until 2028 isn't change, it's maintaining the uncompassionate conditions our unsheltered have lived in. It continues the fear your constituents have for their safety, health, losing the quality of life, and impact on their homes as they choose La Crosse to call home. Every cry for "not in my back yard" is a voice for these concerns.

Your inbox is filled with your constituents perceived last chance to be heard.

The funding is gone. You are deciding between your constituents amenities or three+ more years of today's current situation – again, maintaining, not improving.

You must vote in alignment with your oath of office -- to protect (and restore) your constituent's safety, health, and economy. You are their only voice. Despite what you may personally feel, your best answer for voting is to say you listened to the majority of your constituents. Obey our oath. Be their voice. Ban camping in all of La Crosse.

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