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Comments	<p>With African Americans representing 31% of those experiencing homelessness in Pasadena, and less than 10% of the population, we have a serious problem of institution racism that has yet to be seriously addressed. We hope that Pasadena will use some of the police funding, now used to arrest way too many homeless folks (making it very hard to become housed) to instead fund the housing department and churches to provide temporary emergency shelters in the form of trailers, cars (7% of the 527 homeless live in their cars) and small pallet homes or other creative dwellings where they would safe from police harassment, connected to social services, and on a path to being permanently housed. We have two churches ready to have a well-organized high-quality safe parking program. This is not yet a permitted use. The simple change you make today will allow these uses. Rather than criminalizing homelessness, let's get these vulnerable neighbors housed and allow churches to do what they are called to do. There are 100's of good reasons to get</p>

folks housed: it lowers crime, prevents the spread of COVID-19, helps businesses, and shows compassion.

I consent to have my comment read out loud during the meeting.

Yes

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