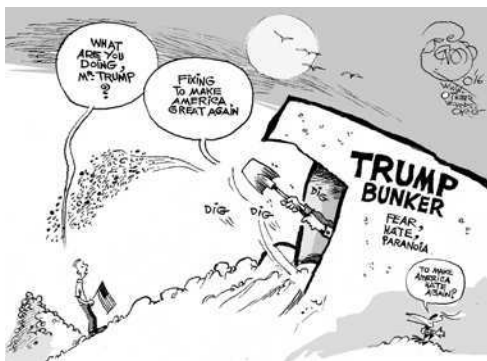


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A camp along the Springwater Corridor suggests false security, though the Mayor's proposal of sanctioned encampments will make more secure outside shelters a reality. Photo by Mark Washington, Jr.

Mayor Wants Sanctioned Camps

New policy puts added scrutiny on homeless campers

BY CERVANTE POPE
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Guidelines that allowed homeless persons to pitch tents on public properties overnight as long as they packed up by morning as well as other parts of a declared housing emergency have been rolled back in new directives by Mayor Charlie Hales.
The biggest immediate adjust-

ment comes in the now defunct Safe Sleep Guidelines that caused many houseless individuals to believe camping was legal, said the mayor's communications director Sara Hottman.
A second significant change means that only sanctioned camps, where a non-profit takes the lead in providing certain services, will be allowed.

It means that the camping along the Springwater Corridor in southeast Portland will be swept clean and popup encampments like Hazelnut Grove, sandwiched between North Interstate and Greeley Avenues, will eventually be moved, Hottman says.

“There are still plans to move
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Protestor Indicted

A local grand jury presented Michael Strickland, the 36-year-old videographer who brandished a gun at a Don't Shoot PDX rally in July, with 21-count indictment on Thursday.
The indictment charges Strickland with 10 counts of menacing, 10 counts of unlawful use of a weapon and one for disorderly conduct.
Each of Strickland's charges specifically cites him for instilling fear of injury in another per-

son and possession with intent to harm another person, with all of his unlawful use charges being Class C felonies and each menacing charge counting as misdemeanors.
Strickland pulled a Glock on fellow protestors and a regularly dressed Portland police officer at a Don't Shoot PDX demonstration on July 7, protesting against the deaths of two black men by police officers in Louisiana and Minnesota.



Michael Strickland
His arraignment was scheduled for August 5, with a settlement conference set for October 13.

CORRECTION: Last week's edition of the Portland Observer stated in the Page 2 article "Help Manage Mortgage Debt" that the foreclosure prevention and home preservation event hosted by Wells Fargo Home Mortgage and Hacienda Community Development Corp. is to take place on Sunday, August 10. The event is actually taking place on Wednesday, August 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hacienda Community Development offices, 6700 NE Killingsworth. We are sorry for any inconvenience.