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**To:** "Sarah Jackson Boddy Norris" <sarahjbnorris@gmail.com>  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** Re: Stop evicting my neighbors

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Sarah, thank you for continuing to reach out and speak up for your friends and our neighbors on the streets experiencing homelessness. The budget work session this Tuesday will include a conversation on the \$26-million in funding anticipated to be distributed to Asheville as part of the American Relief Plan. The work session will not have public comment, but will be streamed and archived on the [City of Asheville's youtube channel](#).

Eviction from shelter during the pandemic is not safe. I will continue to lift up that an equitable and just recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic should also address overlapping emergencies including systemic racism, climate change, and economic instability. I hope you will be among the neighbors continuing to hold us accountable to meaningful outcomes.

The City of Asheville is working with a number of partners. If you are aware of coalition building/meeting around this issue, I hope you will include me along with the full Council.

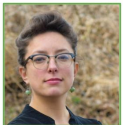
With Shared Concern,  
Kim

On Sat, Apr 10, 2021 at 10:34 AM Sarah Jackson Boddy Norris <[sarahjbnorris@gmail.com](mailto:sarahjbnorris@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Council,

I am so sad and angry about the City is doing to my unhoused friends and neighbors, all the time but specifically today in Aston Park. The clearing of camps is not a solution to houselessness. It is not moral to capitulate to the demands of the already comfortable. Please put my friends in hotel rooms if you are going to force them to move from a place they have figured out for themselves. I am also not being euphemistic when I say these are my friends. They are folks I know and am in community with. The city is siding with people who find unhoused people distasteful and it's so appalling. Please fight this. Please side with the folks already fighting this!!

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