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Question from a Tacoma resident living on Dock Street...

"Why does the city allow campers to set up encampments in public areas clearly marked with no trespassing signs? Example area under I-705 between the Enbridge Condominium Building and The Tacoma Art Museum? The area is clearly marked NO TRESPASSING TMC 8.12.023"

Thank you
According to the Tacoma city website...

- TMC 8.12.023
Criminal trespass
A. 1. A person is guilty of criminal trespass in the first degree if he or she knowingly enters or remains unlawfully in a building.
2. Criminal trespass in the first degree is a gross misdemeanor.
B. 1. A person is guilty of criminal trespass in the second degree if he or she knowingly enters or remains unlawfully in or upon premises of another under circumstances not constituting criminal trespass in the first degree.
2. Criminal trespass in the second degree is a misdemeanor.
C. The following definitions apply to this section.
1. "Premises" includes any building, dwelling or any real property.
2. "Building" includes any public or private structure.
3. "Enters Unlawfully" - A person enters unlawfully in or upon premises when he or she is not then licensed, invited or otherwise privileged to so remain or has been warned to leave by the owner or occupant, occupant's agent, or a security or peace officer.
4. "Remains Unlawfully" - A person remains unlawfully in or upon premises when he or she is not then licensed, invited or otherwise privileged to so remain or has been warned to leave by the owner or occupant, occupant's agent, or a security or peace officer.

