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<p>FILE NO. 160740</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Petition OF Hooverville Committee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">For aid in withdrawal of W. P. A. project in Hooverville.</p>	<p>FILED: Oct. 24, 1938.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">W. C. THOMAS CITY COMPTROLLER AND EX-OFFICIO CITY CLERK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BY: <i>W. C. Thomas</i> DEPUTY</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>TO: PUBLIC SAFETY</p> <p>REFERRER: OCT 24 1938</p> <p>REFERRED: _____</p> <p>REPORTED: _____</p> <p>REPORTED: _____</p> <p>REP. FOR ORD. _____</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>TO: _____</p> <p>REPORT ADOPTED: _____</p> <p>REPORT ADOPTED: _____</p> <p>C. N. ORD. _____</p> <p>DISPOSITION: ON FILE</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">ACTION OF THE COUNCIL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">OCT 31 1938</p>	<p>TO: PUBLIC SAFETY</p> <p>REFERRER: OCT 24 1938</p> <p>REFERRED: _____</p> <p>REPORTED: _____</p> <p>REPORTED: _____</p> <p>REP. FOR ORD. _____</p>	<p>TO: _____</p> <p>REPORT ADOPTED: _____</p> <p>REPORT ADOPTED: _____</p> <p>C. N. ORD. _____</p> <p>DISPOSITION: ON FILE</p>
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Mr. President:

Your _____ Public Safety _____ Committee

to which was referred the within _____ petition

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that _____ said petition

be placed on file.

Wm L. Norton CHAIRMAN

Boase CHAIRMAN

SM 7-38 GATEWAY

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HOOVERVILLE COMMITTEE OF TWENTY FIVE

(Mailing Address) 94-West Main Street,
Seattle, Washington,
October 19th 1938.

City Council
Mr. Arthur B. Langlie,
Mayor of Seattle,
County-City Building,
Seattle, Washington...

Dear Mr. Mayor;

This will introduce to you a committee of three who were democratically elected by a majority of the residents of what is commonly called Hooverville and they are instructed to take up with you as soon as possible the desperate situation of eviction from our humble homes. We are victims of unemployment and have no other home that we can move into, and the State Department of Welfare has officially informed us that they can do nothing about the matter as they have no funds for any purpose of this kind.

We propose that you do the following to help us save our homes;

- 1- That you and the City Council petition the Port of Seattle to withdraw the present WPA project there in Hooverville, which they have sponsored.
- 2- That you and the City Council petition the Works Progress Administration to withdraw this project until such time as we are provided with other housing which all human beings must have in the Winter months...
- 3- That you aid us in requesting that the City Council as whole receive our duly elected Committee next Monday, October 24th 1938, 2 PM., so we can give all of them a true picture of our situation...

The Committee and all residents will appreciate your cooperation in this civic matter and will do everything possible to cooperate with you as our chief Executive of Seattle in any plan you may devise that will give us a roof over our heads...

Very Sincerely Yours;
Executive Committee;

Geo Parish Hooverville
Frank Molner
Russell L. Hayden

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