In the course of responding to reports of illegal camping on public land in the City of Spokane, items are encountered and determinations must be made on site whether to discard or store items. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive and determinations will be made in accordance with the City’s Encampment Policy, in good faith and in the interest of the safety of city employees, the personal property rights of campers, and the general health and welfare of the public and its infrastructure. For more information, see the City’s Encampment Removal and Cleanup Policy.

Items commonly encountered that will be stored unless in a disqualifying condition (broken, not safely accessible, unsanitary, impractical to store, contraband, or clearly abandoned):

- Items of obvious value (such as intact personal electronics, jewelry, debit/credit cards)
- Legal documents and identification cards
- Intact medical equipment (including prosthetics, wheelchairs, canes, eye glasses)
- Suitcases, backpacks, and other personal bags
- Clothing and bedding
- Tents
- Intact and undamaged bicycles, scooters, and other personal transportation implements
- Tools and cooking equipment

Items encountered that, in the City’s experience, commonly are abandoned and presumptively will not be stored:

- Scrap materials, such as lumber, pallets, tarps, plastic, and tires
- Parts of physical structures
- Couches and mattresses