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Hon. Tyisha Walker-Myers  
President, New Haven Board of Alders  
165 Church Street  
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Dear President Walker-Myers:

I respectfully attached the Order as a communication requesting a workshop regarding tiny homes, pallet shelters, and other similar structures, and their potential role in addressing the housing shortage in New Haven.

Last year, the Health and Human Service Committee held a workshop on housing insecurity, and we heard strategies to address the needs of residence experiencing difficulties in permanent housing. Last year it was reported that there was a 27% increase in calls for services from unhoused individuals with a reduction in the number of beds at local shelters.

While we as the Board of Alders, the Administration and community partners have taken steps to address this growing crisis, the resources available do not match the need and we should explore the possibility of other avenues to provide permanent housing and shelter.

At this workshop, the Administration has requested that Economic Development, Corporation Counsel, City Plan, Department of Health, the Office of Building Inspection and Enforcement which includes the applicable zoning enforcement officers.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Regards,

**Richard Furlow**  
Hon. Richard Furlow  
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