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Mayor Aragon and City Manager Bailon Burien City Council 400 SW 152nd St., Suite 300 Burien, WA 98166

Dear Honorable Mayor Sofia Aragon and City Manager Adolfo Bailon:

I write today to follow up on the offers of partnership that King County has made in numerous conversations with city officials over the past several weeks. There is only one change from previous offers, which is noted below.

Once the city identifies land for a sanctioned encampment, King County has offered to:

- 1. Allocate \$1 million to the King County Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA) for the purpose of providing support to Burien residents who are experiencing homelessness. KCRHA has already been in discussions with Burien officials about the needs and opportunities, so we are confident your two entities can work out details regarding service provisions and other issues.
- 2. Transfer ownership of up to 35 Pallet Shelters valued at ~\$350,000 (more details in Appendix 1.). Originally, we had offered 20 shelters, but we have since identified 15 additional shelters for potential use.
- 3. To the degree that city land provided for the encampment site is currently being used for parking, King County can accommodate up to 100 parking spaces at our Metro Transit Park and Ride or garage.

We have also already committed to funding the operations of the 95 units of permanent supportive housing that the city previously permitted and are currently under construction.

Together, we believe these measures, in addition to whatever others the city has planned, can help provide unhoused Burien residents a more stable and secure place to live temporarily while they work with case managers to access longer term housing options. Adolfo Bailon, City Manager Burien City Council June 7, 2023 Page 2

These King County commitments are made with no additional conditions or requirements. King County remains ready to move forward with any of these offers at moment's notice if the city moves forward with a property.

Sincerely,

April Putney

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## **Appendix 1. Pallet Shelter Details**

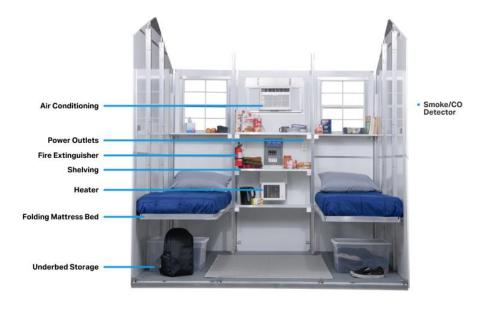
King County is currently in possession of 35 Pallet Shelters. There are approximately 25 Shelters 64 and 10 Shelter 100 available.

Pallet Shelter organization website: www.palletshelter.org

## **Shelter 64**

The 64 square foot (5.95 m2) shelter is the industry-standard rapid-response sleeping shelter, designed, and built with the right balance of efficiency and comfort for one or two people. Climate-control options and a locking door provide residents comfortable, secure, and dignified shelter.





**Shelter 100** 

The 100 square foot (9.29 m2) model of our industry-standard shelter is a versatile structure that can sleep up to four people or be configured as a village services office. Families, couples, or individuals can live with peace of mind and comfort with features like a smoke detector, climate control, and lockable door.

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