

# **BLUE FOLDER ITEM**

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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 20, 2020**

### **N.4    ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE FURTHER DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING PALLET SHELTER TEMPORARY TRANSITIONAL HOUSING**

CONTACT:   MICHAEL W. WEBB, CITY ATTORNEY

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Vickie Kroneberger  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 7:45 AM  
**To:** Khatirah Nazif  
**Cc:** Eleanor Manzano  
**Subject:** FW: Homeless Shelter in Moonstone Park

**From:** Christian Horvath <horvath.rbd3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 19, 2020 10:49 PM  
**To:** Eleanor Manzano <Eleanor.Manzano@redondo.org>  
**Cc:** Vickie Kroneberger <Vickie.Kroneberger@redondo.org>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Homeless Shelter in Moonstone Park



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with gratitude,

### Christian Horvath

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City of Redondo Beach

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Lee Coller [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Homeless Shelter in Moonstone Park  
**Date:** October 19, 2020 at 10:42:50 PM PDT  
**To:** City - Gmail <Horvath.RBD3@gmail.com>, bill.brand@redondo.org, Jim Light [REDACTED], Vicki Porter [REDACTED], Roger Carlson [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Lorraine Coller [REDACTED]

Mayor Brand, Councilman Horvath, Harbor Commissioners Callahan, Light, and Carlson,

I am writing to you regarding the proposal to house homeless in Moonstone Park or Sea-Side Lagoon. As a long-term Redondo Beach Resident, and tenant of King Harbor Marina on "L" dock (on mole B) I am strongly opposed to this. This will have a negative effect on the harbor area, cause an increase in crime, and make the harbor less attractive to those we want to visit the area. I would also question if housing the homeless in moonstone park is consistent with the requirements of measure G.

Please consider another more-appropriate location on the east side of the city.

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Lee & Lorraine Coller



Redondo Beach Resident since 1996

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Chris Bredesen <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 10:51 AM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Cc:** Bill Brand; Nils Nehrenheim; Todd Loewenstein; Christian Horvath; John Gran; Laura Emdee  
**Subject:** Proposed Temporary Homeless Shelter - City of RB Council Agenda Item



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To: City Council  
Re: Homeless Shelter (Redondo Beach)

I would like to voice my OPPOSITION to building any temporary homeless shelter in the following locations:

1. Seaside Lagoon
2. Moonstone Park (Mole B)

For the following logical reasons:

As a lifelong resident of the South Bay and business owner with multiple locations throughout the South Bay, I have seen first hand the homeless crisis that has seemingly plagued our city.

As a community we should all want to step up and help people in need, that is why I have partnered with PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) which takes a different approach to this crisis by building affordable housing, **but also focusing on mental health, job training and ending the cycle of homelessness.**

That being said: The city is not equipped to handle the in-depth additional services that are needed to truly help. I fear the city will approve funding, build some temporary housing, then leave it to the police (who have zero power due to CA legislation) to handle all the issues that will arise.

At one of my business locations in the marina, just in the past couple years (police reports submitted), we have had numerous homelessness issues including:

- A. Individuals made a make-shift shelter on our ROOF, with drugs located inside the shelter. Both a personal danger, illegal and also a huge fire hazard
- B. An individual was found in our back storage area, when asked to leave the man became physically aggressive towards one of our employees. No one should have to go to work and fear for their safety. Ever.
- C. A local charity decided (with good intentions) to feed the homeless in our parking lot, this turned into a mitigated disaster, with public urination, trash, and individuals taking over our tables, etc.

Some other specific location issues I see with the above 2 locations specifically:

1. Any homeless shelter specifically in the Seaside Lagoon area opens up the possibility of dangerous substances (needles, etc.) dropped into the sand and when Spring / Summer approaches puts our residents (especially children in danger).
2. Plan on doubling the cost of the Seaside Lagoon location, as you will be forced to remove the shelter in just a few months due to either the Beach Life Festival (based on Covid-19) or general public use of Seaside Lagoon for Spring

3. Isn't the city trying to improve the marina / king harbor area? Unfortunately a homeless shelter in the area probably does not help that goal.

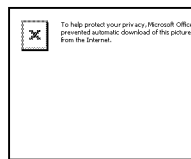
The city should rather partner with an accredited organization to better handle this crisis, a temporary makeshift pallet shelter run by the city is going to be a disaster.

In addition, the attached report from City Attorney Michael Webb clearly focuses on only the financials of the project. It seems to read "We can get this money, lets do it and figure out how its going to work later" ... Again, a recipe for disaster.

Chris Bredesen

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Christopher Bredesen



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**Subject:** FW: temporary homeless shelters

**From:** Christian Horvath <horvath.rbd3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 10:44 AM  
**To:** Eleanor Manzano <Eleanor.Manzano@redondo.org>  
**Cc:** Vickie Kroneberger <Vickie.Kroneberger@redondo.org>  
**Subject:** Fwd: temporary homeless shelters



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**From:** "Dennis Groat" <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** temporary homeless shelters  
**Date:** October 20, 2020 at 10:37:16 AM PDT  
**To:** <bill.brand@redondo.org>, <nils.nehrenheim@redondo.org>, "Christian Horvath, Councilmember & Mayor Pro Tem" <christian@horvathforredondo.com>, <laura.emdee@redondo.org>, <john.gran@redondo.org>, <todd.loewenstein@redondo.org>  
**Cc:** "Dennis Groat" <[REDACTED]> Denise Groat" <[REDACTED]>

Mayor Brand and Members of the City Council:

The plight of the homeless is something that touches us all. As you consider the construction and placement of temporary homeless shelters in Redondo Beach, know that we are very alarmed by staff's suggestion of Moonstone Park and Seaside Lagoon as potential sites for these shelters. Regardless of the cost savings that these two sites are suggested to provide, this is a BAD IDEA. The harbor is one of the most important and vital economic engines in the city, and this will be even more critically important as we move towards economic recovery from the devastating impacts from the Covid-19

pandemic. We need to preserve as best as humanly possible the vitality and the desirability of this critical area of the city.

It is a sad reality that where there are groups of homeless people, there is often an accompanying increase in trash, storage of personal possessions, drug use, crime, and public urination and defecation. We have unfortunately experienced this firsthand on visits to areas where there are a number of homeless persons.

The harbor area has very few people in it at night, and this near-empty atmosphere, coupled with the valuable items related to boating on the boats and docks, is unfortunately a most inviting target for thieves, something that we have also personally experienced from our boat in the harbor. It is incredibly difficult to police the docks and boats as it is, and placing a population of more desperate and income challenged persons in that area is simply inviting more problems into an area that is already challenging to manage. The harbor area businesses, especially the Portofino Hotel and surrounding restaurants, as well as Seaside Lagoon itself, could have devastating losses from groups of homeless in those areas. The Seaside Lagoon and Moonstone Park are simply not the right places for this endeavor.

PLEASE consider the above as you come to your decisions on this most challenging problem. Areas like the transit maintenance site and the Aviation Gym can accommodate these uses without many of the devastating impacts that they would most likely bring to the harbor area, its businesses, boat owners, and visitors, both resident and non-resident.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Dennis and Denise Groat

## Khatirah Nazif

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**Subject:** FW: Transitional Shelter Housing

**From:** Christian Horvath <horvath.rbd3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 11:32 AM  
**To:** Eleanor Manzano <Eleanor.Manzano@redondo.org>  
**Cc:** Vickie Kroneberger <Vickie.Kroneberger@redondo.org>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Transitional Shelter Housing



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**From:** Lynn Vavrek <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Transitional Shelter Housing  
**Date:** October 20, 2020 at 11:29:12 AM PDT  
**To:** [Horvath.RBD3@gmail.com](mailto:Horvath.RBD3@gmail.com)

I am a resident of Redondo Beach, raised our children through the Redondo Beach schools and plan to live here many more years.

I do not understand why the harbor area would ever be considered for transitional shelter housing. All the residents of Redondo Beach enjoy being outside and enjoy being on and around the water. And of what I have seen, are safely enjoying these areas in this Covid year.

Hopefully, the entire county, city and harbor area will open to tourists and revive our economy. Our residents depend on our economy.



Building transitional shelter housing in or near the harbor does not help, only hurts, our economy and the residents of Redondo Beach.

Please carefully consider what is best for the community.

Lynn Vavrek

A large black rectangular redaction box covers the signature area, obscuring the name and any handwritten notes.

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** jim quinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 12:35 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** homeless housing near harbor

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Dear Sirs/Madams

Please reconsider the latest homeless shelter decisions. The proposed harbor area would be a huge disaster to the boating community. The vessels moored in the harbor and the cars in the parking lots would become a large target for vandalism and theft. Please rethink any locations near the harbor with all the valuables that are left there unsecured daily.

Thanks,  
James R. Quinn

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Richardson, Kim <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 1:30 PM  
**To:** CityClerk; Bill Brand; Nils Nehrenheim; Todd Loewenstein; Christian Horvath; John Gran; Laura Emdee  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: RB Staff Recommends Homeless on MOLE B & Seaside Lagoon TONIGHT



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Opposed to Seaside Lagoon and Moonstone Park as transitional housing.

Kim Richardson

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*Boaters and Harbor Stakeholders are encouraged to provide their recommendations to the City Council and City Staff.*

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### REDONDO BEACH CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20 - 6:00 pm

Agenda, Video, eComment: <https://redondo.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

#### N.4. TRANSITIONAL SHELTER HOUSING (Pallet Brand)

##### **Administrative Report and Site Specific Costs & Diagrams:**

<https://redondo.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4671780&GUID=15D45085-623F-47A3-8BBF-6400A02C5B95>

#### *Excerpts:*

City Attorney: "in my opinion this temporary emergency transitional housing would be an invaluable addition to our Homelessness Pilot Program in helping people experiencing homelessness...

it is recommended that the City Council select one or two sites this evening..."

there is insufficient transitional housing available to people experiencing homelessness...there are no homeless shelters in Redondo Beach

As there currently are no...alternatives, the Police in Redondo are unable to enforce ordinances prohibiting sleeping outdoors on public property because Federal Courts have ruled that in such situations the homeless defendants have no choice in the matter.

The first site that was presented...was the City controlled parking lot behind the **Aviation Gym**. The Council then directed City staff to consider other locations:

**Kingsdale Site (Transit Maintenance)**

**Moonstone Park (Mole B)**

**Seaside Lagoon**

<u>Site Specific One Time Costs claimed by Staff Reports</u>	
<b>\$283,473</b>	<b>Kingsdale Site / Transit Maintenance</b>
<b>\$280,650</b>	<b>Aviation Gym</b>
<b>\$103,500</b>	<b>Seaside Lagoon</b>
<b>\$ 61,247</b>	<b>Moonstone Park (Mole B)</b>

LIVE: <https://redondo.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> Click "In Progress"  
 Youtube: [www.youtube.com/c/CityofRedondoBeachIT](http://www.youtube.com/c/CityofRedondoBeachIT)  
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 - Comments may be read out loud during the meeting.

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*Provided Courtesy of King Harbor Boaters*

*Kari*

I have moved my office to the South Bay. Please note my new address below.

Kari A. Keidser  
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# KING HARBOR YOUTH FOUNDATION

280 Yacht Club Way, Redondo Beach, California 90277

Mayor & City Council  
Attention: Agenda Item N4

October 20, 2020

On behalf of the King Harbor Youth Foundation, I ask the Redondo Beach City Council to reconsider Moonstone Park, Mole B, and the Seaside Lagoon as potential locations for a homeless shelter. We recognize the need for a homeless shelter in Redondo Beach, however, the harbor area is NOT an ideal location regardless of the costs. Here are a few reasons we are asking you to NOT place a homeless shelter at Mole B, Moonstone Park or the Seaside Lagoon:

1. The proximity to services. Mole B, Moonstone Park and Seaside Lagoon are less accessible than the other three options for medical services and first responders. It is also further from medical services and other retail like grocery stores and food options.
2. It is not a safe environment for homeless or our community. Anyone who spends time at the harbor, including the Redondo Beach Police Department, can tell you that the water and rocks are unsafe and a hazard that can cause serious injury and death. I ask that you consider the number of calls the city will need to respond to because there are hazards in the area that are not present at other locations (Kingsdale Site and Aviation Gym). We are one of many organizations that run youth programs for our community and our homeless population can be disruptive, dangerous, and scary for our youth participants.
3. The proximity to residential areas. Kingsdale and Aviation are surrounded by commercial properties and homeless have better access to public transportation, retail, and other services.
4. Increased potential for interaction between the homeless, tourists and the community. Placing a homeless shelter in the major thoroughfare of our city where many of our community go to enjoy the harbor, ocean, bike paths and beaches can create additional potential altercations with the homeless. When the harbor area is redeveloped, it will generate millions of dollars in revenue for our businesses and city. Placing a homeless shelter at the heart of that, will create future problems that the city will need to deal with. Many of our youth participants bike through the area on their way to King Harbor Yacht Club to go to sailing practice and many will feel unsafe doing so if they ride through a homeless shelter.

The harbor has long been an area of debate of what should be developed there, we ask that you NOT place a homeless shelter in what we consider the heart of the city. Please feel free to contact me anytime at [dorian.harris628@gmail.com](mailto:dorian.harris628@gmail.com) or (310) 259-1040.

Dorian Harris   
King Harbor Youth Foundation-Board President

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** lyla knudson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 1:54 PM  
**To:** Bill Brand; Nils Nehrenheim; Todd Loewenstein; Christian Horvath; John Gran; Laura Emdee; CityClerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Transitional Shelter Housing #20-1600



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This message is in response to the City of Redondo Beach administrative report concerning providing transitional housing for the homeless while they await permanent housing. I think we all acknowledge this is an important issue and positive steps should be taken to care for these people. On the other hand, the safety and security of those living in Redondo Beach should also be a priority. Please consider removing the Seaside Lagoon and Moonstone Park site from the selection process for the following reasons:

- The Seaside Lagoon site is a year-round venue for events and summer swimming which benefits the well being of the entire community.
- Site prep would be significant.
- Access to public transportation, affordable restaurants and medical services is limited.
- A significant number of residents utilize the surrounding area for recreation.
- Long range city planning includes revamping the entire waterfront, including Seaside Lagoon and the AES location.
- Moonstone Park serves as an emergency landing location for the Coast Guard and Sheriff's helicopters.
- Moonstone Park is also home to two paddle board clubs and an outrigger club where they stage their equipment.
- The rocks on the side of the channel are dangerous and there are numerous rescues annually.
- Both sites are in the heart of the harbor limiting paying boat owners access to parking and other services.
- Traffic on Harbor Drive would impact an already overcrowded situation.
- Currently there are several youth programs operating in the harbor. Placing homeless people in proximity to our children poses an unknown risk.

I hope you will consider options other than Seaside Lagoon and Moonstone Park as site for this transitional housing pilot program. 2020 has proved to be an amazing summer. Every weekend the harbor has been filled with people using their kayaks, paddle boards, sail boats, power boats, fishing and just enjoying the great outdoors. It would be A shame to intentionally crowd the already taxed beach area temporarily with additional people.

Thank you for your service to the community.

Lyla Knudson

## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Tad D <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2:24 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Subject:** Tonight's city council meeting re homeless locations

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Hello, I would like to urge the city Council not to consider Moonstone Park or Seaside Lagoon as a homeless housing location. I pay a lot of money to own and dock a boat just feet away from Moonstone Park, and I do not want to have the area ruined with homeless. Do not turn the city into Santa Monica where it's homeless friendly. As it is, my wife can no longer use veteran's Park because it's overrun by homeless.

Thank you

Tad davis

Sent from my iPhone

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**Subject:** FW: Comcate Case #35487 Reassigned



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**Topic>Subtopic: Maintenance>Maintenance - Other**

Customer: Bartiromo, Sandra

Original Request:

*Please do not make Mole B a location for the temporary homeless transition site. The trash is too close to the water and contamination of the water will be a by product of the debris usually found at these sites. Please consider the Aviation site instead.*



## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Eleanor Manzano  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2:51 PM  
**To:** Khatirah Nazif  
**Cc:** Vickie Kroneberger  
**Subject:** FW: Public Comment from Supervisor Janice Hahn on Item N.4

**Importance:** High

See below blue folder...

**From:** LaMarque, Jennifer <JLaMarque@bos.lacounty.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2:49 PM  
**To:** Eleanor Manzano <Eleanor.Manzano@redondo.org>; Vickie Kroneberger <Vickie.Kroneberger@redondo.org>  
**Subject:** Public Comment from Supervisor Janice Hahn on Item N.4  
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Good Afternoon Ms. Manzano and Ms. Kroneberger,

Please accept the following comment from Supervisor Janice Hahn relative to tonight's agenda item N.4. If you could please confirm it has been received, I would appreciate it. Thank you.

**"Good Evening Mayor Brand and members of the Redondo Beach City Council. I write in strong support of the proposed emergency pallet shelter project being discussed this evening. Long gone are the days when the homelessness crisis was isolated in Skid Row. It touches every community in Los Angeles County and that is why it is so important that every city be part of the effort to help get people off the street and housed. I want to thank Mayor Bill Brand and this City Council for your willingness to step up and be part of the solution with this shelter project. I have preemptively directed the County to make up to \$829,000 in funding available for the construction of this shelter and the wrap-around services for its residents. I am committed to making this project a reality and I encourage the Council to move forward with its implementation. Thank you for your consideration."**

-Supervisor Janice Hahn  
(County of Los Angeles, 4<sup>th</sup> District)

Regards,

**Jennifer LaMarque**  
South Bay Deputy  
Office of Supervisor Janice Hahn, 4<sup>th</sup> District  
310-222-3015





## Khatirah Nazif

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**From:** Scott Behrendt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 2:54 PM  
**To:** CityClerk  
**Cc:** Evelyn Behrendt  
**Subject:** Public Comment re 2020-10-20 City Council Meeting re N.4. 20-1600 ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE FURTHER DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING PALLET SHELTER TEMPORARY TRANSITIONAL HOUSING



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Mayor Brand, Council Members, and City Attorney Webb,

Thank you for being proactive in addressing this important issue. We have the following questions that are unanswered by the Administrative Report for this agenda item:

1. The Administrative Report states that "\$708,000 ... will cover all of the operating costs." On what does the City base that estimate, e.g., has the City obtained a quote from a third-party provider like Mercy House, or Salvation Army, for the operation and management of this project?
2. Will any of the proposed project sites require a Coastal Development Permit from the California Coastal Commission, and if so, has the City conducted any analysis of this issue?
3. In the event no site within Redondo Beach is suitable for this project, has the City made any further effort since the September 15, 2020 Council Meeting to locate an alternative location outside of Redondo in SPA 8, e.g., has the City inquired as to any available vacant County-owned lots or structures that can be used, or engaged a commercial real estate broker to assist in finding another location?
4. Will opening the pallet shelter allow the City to enforce laws that prevent homeless encampments in our parks and public right-of-ways?
5. Will Redondo Beach's shelter be limited to those who are from or have a prior connection to Redondo Beach, and if not, will it become a magnet for homeless persons from outside the city? Bellflower and Whittier limited access to their shelters, and San Clemente limited access to their designated homeless camping site, to those who could demonstrate that they were at some point in time a resident of their respective city.
6. Will the City maintain the right to terminate, or move, the shelter at any time, as needed? Or, for example, will the County Funding Agreement require that the shelter stay open for a minimum of 13 months?
7. Has the City spoken with San Clemente about their model - i.e., provide a vacant lot with tents, toilets, and hand washing stations, where people experiencing homelessness can be sheltered and receive services and support, and require any homeless camping occur only at that site? If so, were there any elements of that model that may work for Redondo Beach? San Clemente's approach withstood legal challenge and was apparently successful in

transitioning homeless from the streets to better environs to the point where there were so few people remaining in the designated camping site that it was closed.

8. Has the City taken into consideration the experience of the Venice shelter in formulating its plans for a pallet shelter and/or designated homeless camping site?

9. Will there be reasonable rules for use of the facility -- e.g., prohibitions on weapons, drugs, alcohol, dangerous tools, fires, or loud music, quiet time enforced from 10pm to 7am, etc.?

10. What has been the pallet shelter success rate in other cities in moving people experiencing homeless to permanent housing, and how can that information be best applied to ensure success here?

Scott and Evelyn Acosta Behrendt