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Testimony to Portland City Council on the Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, Recommended Draft

NEW STARTER HOMES proposal ------ In support of the Shelter to Housing Continuum Project, and responding to a request from Mayor Wheeler after my testimony at City Council last Wednesday April 7 (see: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hSSFvCSYFU), I am attaching a proposal document, "New Starter Homes", which I and collaborators at Village Coalition etc have developed since 2018, to be by Mayor Wheeler's request shared to all councilmembers and Planning Bureau. ------ This document explores and proposes concepts of very low-cost, relocatable, cottage-type, permanent homes, which might be used in and re-sited in Outdoor Shelters, as backyard cottages / accessory dwellings, or in Cottage Clusters or permanent-housing villages. We propose that these models and analyses be evaluated for incorporation into the forthcoming Residential Infill Project Part 2, at the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability, which will be completed in 2022 in order to be compliant with Oregon's "Middle Housing" legalization law, often referred to by its bill name HB 2001.

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