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Chairperson, Permits and Licensing Committee
Newburyport City Council
60 Pleasant Street
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Dear Mr. Vogel and members of the Permit and Licensing Committee,

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Over the past couple of weeks, I met with Dave Tucker of Harnum Industries out of Salisbury, MA and, separately, Walter Lowell of Newburyport Towing Services. Below is an outline of both conversations:

Harnum Industries

In this conversation, I was supplied with two different solutions:

Staff

John Moynihan
Executive Director

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*Director of Operations
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1. Using a forklift, the Shanties would be loaded onto a “tagalong” trailer and transported to the Pop Up (Shell) Park. The truck and trailer would pull into the NRA West Lot and unload behind the line of cars nearest the payment kiosk. They would then be removed from the trailer and placed in location via the same forklift. It is estimated that the movement process will take a minimum of four hours and should have limited impact within the NRA West Lot.

2. Using a crane truck, the Shanties would be loaded onto a flatbed and then transported over to the NRA West Lot to unload. The crane truck would require that the parking area directly behind the Pop Up (Shell) Park be blocked off for the duration of the move. This would impact the Handicapped Parking spaces in the NRA West Lot.

Newburyport Towing

This option would require removing the two Handicapped Parking signs located in the NRA West Lot along with blocking off those spaces and the first three spaces in the parking line closest to the payment kiosk. While it could be done, this would be the most difficult application.

I appreciate the opportunity to return to the Permits and Licensing Committee with some additional information around the delivery and installation of the Shanties. In my opinion, the most logical option would be using the forklift supplied by Harnum Industries.

Sincerely,
John Moynihan
Firehouse Center for the Arts