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Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway Statement on Men's Shelter Vote

I find it remarkable that after the year we have had, and the extraordinary lengths the City has gone through to protect the most vulnerable, that some members of the Common Council chose not to take the final, critical step to establish a safe, secure, purpose-built shelter. There is no doubt that today's vote will postpone construction for at least another year and increase costs for housing homeless men this upcoming winter.

Soon the City and the Salvation Army will be welcoming families into a former nursing home on Madison's East Side that we have converted into a welcoming shelter. Our single men deserve the same welcome to a shelter constructed thoughtfully and purposefully to meet their needs.