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Respectfully, I must ask where the focus of service of the Terre Haute City Council lies?

It was not in the best interests of the highest density populated family and student residential area in Terre Haute living in Farrington Grove neighborhood when the majority of the Council voted to allow Hickory to move a drug rehabilitation facility into Farrington Grove. As a pro-business retired business person and an active volunteer person working for the economic development of the Greater Wabash Valley, it was obvious to me Hickory purchased the nursing home on 6th street for pennies on the dollar hoping to beg for forgiveness to move their drug rehabilitation facility into a highly populated residential neighborhood despite the fact that the other communities where they are located had Hickory drug rehabilitation facilities located in non-residential locations on the outskirts in their cities. As I stated to the city

council at the discussion hearing when Hickory flooded the hall with their employees, Terre Haute could be well served with a drug rehabilitation facility but not located in a densely populated residential area such is Farrington Grove. It is of no consequence to me the mayor and prosecutor showed up to simply affirm their support for the facility. I don't know their reasoning, but I can almost assure you that support had very little to do with the citizens of Terre Haute. I have been told the majority, and maybe 100%, of the residents of the Hickory facility are from elsewhere and not from the City of Terre Haute. So, my conclusion was the Terre Haute City Council was not serving the people who elected you, and I don't understand why not.

You, the Terre Haute City Council, are now faces another opportunity to serve the Farrington Grove neighborhood and Terre Haute citizens and voters. The majority of the residents of Farrington Grove continue to oppose the rezoning of the vacant lot adjacent to the church and the proposed new construction of a 20+ person dormitory (SO 42). Again, the opportunity to help people is indeed a good thing but, again, Farrington Grove is not the location for this facility for almost all of the reasons noted in the Hickory Drug Rehabilitation situation. It is irrelevant architecture of the planned building is acceptable, the fact again is a facility which should be located somewhere outside a densely populated residential area is again before the Terre Haute City Council begging for convenience not related to the best interests of the citizens of the neighborhood. What convenience? The fact the reclaimed church building owners are planning to be the manager of the dormitory is only convenience to them not the remainder of the community. Since construction must occur, it can occur anywhere. Just because the adjacent property was purchased by them is of no relevance to the situation before the City Council. How people spend their money on vacant lots or abandoned nursing homes should not influence the City Council's decision-making which should be for the greater number of Terre Haute citizens and also for Farrington Grove, a good neighborhood working to reclaim it once cherished prominence as one of the best places in Terre Haute for families to live and raise their children.

Tomorrow, Thursday, 2/10/22, at 6 p.m. at the annex behind the court house downtown, I ask you to vote for the citizens of Farrington Grove and direct the construction of the planned dormitory to occur in another location outside our highly dense family and student living area. The dormitory may serve Terre Haute citizens very well in a new, non-residential location, but please direct it not to be in the Farrington Grove neighborhood.

Thank You for considering serving the large number of families and citizens of Farrington Grove who you represent and also for whom you serve. Your actions are important for our community. God Bless.

Sincerely,
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