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Subject: Re: REACH Center Zoning

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Hi Erin,

Thank you for your reply. I appreciate the engagement. I am also glad to hear we are on the same page with the ultimate goal of getting TND zoning codified for the Reach Center lot.

I apologize if my messge came across as saying the Reach Center wasn't supported by the City Council. I recognize there is a good collaboration between the two and other city services.

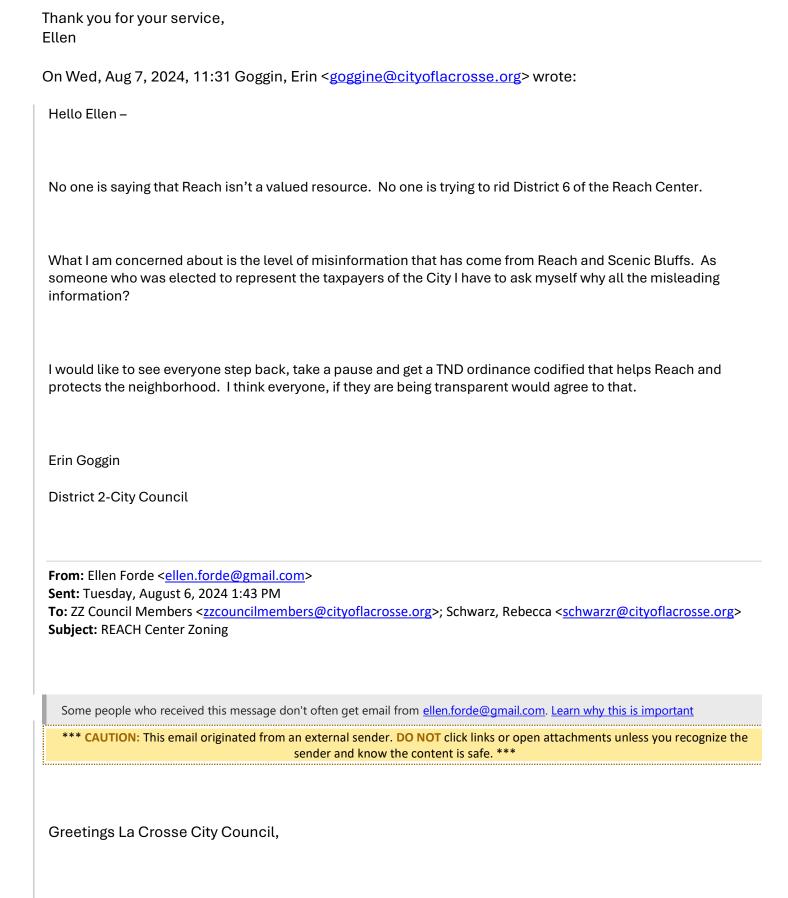
I want to reiterate my support for the TND rezoning petition that will be taken up tomorrow during the Council meeting. The facts as I understand them are as follows:

- 1. The lot occupied by the Reach Center was rezoned in the early 2000s as residential incorrectly according to their building use.
- 2. The original petition for rezoning was denied.
- 3. The process used to support the original denial has changed. (I believe it is a significant change).
- 4. The new petition has been refiled within the allowable 12 month period for re consideration using the new judgement process.

Please let me know if I have any of this wrong. I do not want to spread or base my opinion on misinformation. I also want to avoid a "tunnel vision" approach to this issue. Any additional context is appreciated, including what a "step back" approach looks like.

My personal opinion, with a lack of in depth Council process knowledge, is simply that I see the Reach Center trying to do a good thing by modifying their building to have solar panels and dental services. I think any barriers that exist that prevent this should be knocked down.

Please support the petition for TND rezoning of the Reach Center.



I am writing this letter in support of the REACH center TND rezoning petition. I hope you consider the
facts of the case and agree that the circumstances of considering this petition have significantly
changed and furthermore move to approve their rezoning petition.

REACH is a valuable asset to our community and they only want to do better by adding more services that support some of our most vulnerable community members.

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