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Greetings,

I spoke to Mitch on the phone yesterday and voiced my concerns but wanted to do so formally in writing to all of you as well.

I am extremely disappointed with the lack of communication and transparency that the Council and Mayor showed when it came to plans for purchasing and utilizing the Maple Grove Motel. A location that is next to our family business, Poellinger Electric.

I believe that transparency, discussions and community input are very important factors that must be involved when decisions that directly affect citizens like this are made. Apparently your team does not share those same values or perhaps they do, but only if it serves your purpose.

I will be sharing the story of how this with handled to anyone in the community who will listen. I hope this type of "fast track" to avoid community input will not become common practice for your administration. It does not sit well with me. And as for the amount of emails, texts and phone calls my family has received over the past 24 hours with similar thoughts and sediments, I am not alone.

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