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Hi Doug,

Thanks for taking the time to talk to me yesterday along with offering me the opportunity to reach out to you at any time. I appreciate that.

I wanted to let you know that four of us (Jeff Wrobel, Steve Nicolai, Danielle Fry, and my-self) from the Maple Grove Neighborhood group met with Mayor Reynolds and staff (Jay Odegaard, Diane McGinnis, Brian Sampson). We talked about many different items as it relates to those persons without a home occupying different locations throughout the community at large and more specially as it relates Maple grove Motel Property.

I understood the following as part of the discussion and would like to share with you the following:

- The goal of the property is to provide homes to individuals who are ready for more permanent housing than a shelter. Housing for the homeless at Maple Grove would include Families and Children.
- 2. Max of 32 people would be housed at the Maple Grove Facility.
- 3. Housing of the homeless provided by the City of La Crosse would be for a time frame of Two to Three years at the Maple Grove Property, after which the property would be put up for sale for by the City.
- 4. After the property is sold, it will revert to the property tax roll and used for private development.
- 5. The site and buildings as presently in place will be used without modifications to the footprint of the buildings or the construction of new buildings. Present Code issues related to high level ground water in lower-level crawl spaces of the Motel Buildings, electrical code, and Life safety issues would be addressed as part housing of the homeless by City of La Crosse Staff.
- 6. Tents and Tiny / pallet type housing will not be allowed on site.
- 7. The City of La Crosse is committed to TWO full time staff (24 hours per day x 7 days per week) to be on-site at the Maple Grove Facility while the site is being used to house the homeless. The staff would be used to supervise and watch out for the safety and well-being of the homeless and the surrounding neighborhood.
- 8. No Drug or Alcohol will be allowed.
- 9. One type of fencing will be installed along the east property (sidewalk side adjacent to Mormon Coulee Road).
- 10. A Second type of housing will be installed around the balance of the property.

11. The Mayor Reynolds and Staff have committed to having a meeting open to the public at which time questions and concerns related to the safety and wellbeing of the neighborhood would be addressed with meaningful and thoughtful answers. All Star Lane was mentioned as a meeting location. Date and time to be determined.

I would like to kindly ask that you discuss the above items with other Council members. After discussion, please get back to me and offer your thoughts. I look forward to hearing from you.

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