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Subject: RE: Link to Materials
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Thanks Tara,

For those of us who have been here awhile, we have experience with the Rainbow Center and the unfortunate interactions that created for parts of our neighborhood. Over the last decade, we have seen this end of the CBD transformed into a vibrant community of offices, restaurants and coffee shops. The City has assisted and encourage this effort and things are continuing to move positively. In my view, if this facility is built on the County parking lot between York and Champion most businesses in this area would relocate thereby ceding this end of town to uses that are compatible (or at least would not be impacted) with the facility.

Again, I realize this is a difficult problem with few, if any, good choices and likely a series of bad choices but the first rule of government ought to be "do no harm."

I am off my soap box now and want to thank you for the openness and transparency provided by you on behalf of the City. Please keep me informed of the next meeting of the Working Group.

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Thank you, Frank.

I'm including Barry Buchanan and the Council staff as this is the County's workgroup and they will be tracking comments.

While the group did rank sites, there has not been further discussion on each of the sites. I am not certain this site will be considered for further analysis, but good to have your input early on.

John Harmon has left me a voicemail. I will be giving him a call to discuss his concerns.

Tara

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Thanks Tara,

The business community in this area is mobilizing against the use of this site. Also, I believe the Housing Authority is concerned about the impact on the residence of Waldon Place. One thing I did notice is there is no criteria for the economic impact on surrounding property owners. I realize this is a very difficult problem that likely has a series of poor choices. But I would think that some thought should be given to:

1. The real economic impact on surrounding properties. It is really disheartening for one to think that the government locates a facility where others had made substantial public and private investments with the effect of impairing those investments. I would think that the economic impact would need to be included in any analysis.
2. The impact will extend beyond just here. Will there not be a path of travel between here and the Lighthouse Mission such that the impact will be either more positive or more negative? I don't know the answer, just that the condition will exist.

I did talk with Jack and express our concerns.

Could you put me on the list for notification of the next meeting.

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Check this site for meeting materials presented <http://www.co.whatcom.wa.us/2747/Homeless-Strategies-Workgroup>

Click on meeting materials. January 18 - handout. Minutes are not ready yet.

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