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Dear Friends,

We are sending you this e-mail to provide current, accurate, information about our position as County Commissioners on the hotel/convention center project. The County has not changed course concerning the proposal and continues to fulfill its duty to you.

Last week, after a public vote by the Board of Commissioners, the County sent a letter to hotel/convention center project planners objecting to premature actions. The County position was set forth in detail in a statement published this Sunday and which also is attached to this e-mail. Among other things, the County Position Statement states:

"In particular, we are very concerned at the proposal that Penn Square Partners receive an immediate \$6.8 million . . . and that demolition . . . may begin six months in advance of receipt of construction bids . . . We believe both those actions would be grievously premature." We specifically stated "We do not want this kind of premature action at high public cost . . ."

The County Statement also says, "Building demolition and complete reimbursement to Penn Square Partners should not proceed absent confirmation that funding is available for the actual (not estimated) construction costs."

As the County Position Statement notes, if project planners persist in this course, the County will evaluate alternative actions available to the County.

As the attached Shellenberger/Henderson statement reads, you can count on us to "remain steadfast to protect the County's interests." Please read the Position Statement (which is attached and pasted below). Feel free to forward this e-mail to anyone you believe has an interest in the hotel/convention center project.

Thank you.

Dick Shellenberger, Chairman  
Molly Henderson  
Lancaster County Commissioners