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Here's wishing everyone on the Terre Haute City Council well. This is Sarah Dillon, writing to you as a civic minded resident of the City of Terre Haute.

To let everyone know, one would think that everyone that's environmentally minded in Terre Haute may side with RiverSCAPE, especially on their "Riverfront Development Master Plan" [<https://wabashriverscape.org/wabash-riverfront-plan>] being discussed on by the Terre Haute City Council as Resolution 10, 2025 this Thursday.

Well...here to tell you: not everyone is with this. Having read the proposal, here's a few of the red flags in it [central concern being how much this will impact the already financially poor residents of Vigo County/Terre Haute that I feel a true Green New Deal

[https://www.gp.org/green_new_deal] would be a better option]:

1. Architecture firm hired is out of Edmonton, Canada and better known for Keystone Pipeline, among other projects (LINK)
2. Examples of this being a possible "greenwashing" proposal: several existing places will be closed to make way for this above project, such as (among other places) ISU Family Housing/[possibly] Campus Express bus route, Dreiser Square, YMCA, ARC of Terre Haute/Hamilton Center outpatient, historic Allen Chapel and several residential property across from The Mill.
3. Has several projects that may get too expensive for our much poor city to pay for, such as: a pedestrian bridge leading to Wabashiki, a food court area too close to the river (where the original county jail is), relocation and expansion of YMCA away from Fairbanks Park, the Fairbanks Park project, etc. ... especially, how much materials will cost after the federal government's tariffs proposal will cost everyone in this country... but that's another story
4. And then, of course, this plan only mentions a few of these proposed districts [centered on Community, Parks, River]. One example? Concern for most centered around the proposed "Aerospace District," centered around a company that uses AI [GE Aerospace (<https://www.geaerospace.com/sites/default/files/ai-fact-sheet.pdf>)] and could be using said district to justifying building a job stealing, major environmental disastrous data center [<https://www.citact.org/data-centers>] (course, there's also concerns about GE Aerospace being recommended for divestment over international issues [<https://investigate.afsc.org/company/ge-aero>], but that beyond your scope)
5. And finally, financing this with a new TIF district, draining away money from already financially strapped government entities in the county

These are some of the many reasons why I urge you to vote NO on Resolution 10, 2025. Take care and wish you well.