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Ms. Edwards:

Please find attached several questions for tonight's Terre Haute City Council meeting.

Sincerely,  
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**Questions for Terre Haute City Council meeting on May 7, 2020:  
Regarding Resolution No. 3, 2020 - Filed with City Clerk on April 17, 2020:  
Submitted via email at 11:30 a.m. on May 7, 2020**

Questions:

Through RS 3, 2020, the City of Terre Haute is providing this project with what amounts to a 60% tax reduction across nine (9) years. That is an extraordinary and substantial reduction in the middle of an economic crisis caused the CoVid-19. As such, I have a few questions:

1. In the Statement of Benefits for this project, it states that the project will create only one full time job with an estimated payroll of \$36,000 plus certain benefits. It is not clear if that \$36,000 payroll figure is on a "per year" basis. Is the one job created to have an annual salary of \$36,000? Also, please explain what are the "certain benefits" associated with this job? Please list them - will there be health care benefits? Will there be sick time? Will there be vacation time? Will there be retirement benefits? What exactly are the "certain benefits" associated with this job?
2. The Statement of Benefits does not state how many jobs will be created during the construction of this project. May we have, on the record, the number of construction jobs that will be created with this project?
3. Regarding item #2 (above) what will be the average annual salary and benefits of those construction jobs?
4. Regarding item #2 (above) do the residents of Terre Haute have any guarantee that ANY of the construction jobs created by this project will be local workers?
5. Why would the City of Terre Haute give a 60% tax reduction with zero guarantees that the construction jobs created by this project will be given to local workers?
6. We are still in the midst of the CoVid-19 pandemic which, according to experts, may last into 2022. What guarantees does the City have that proper PPE (personal protective equipment) will be provided on this construction site and that all other CoVid-19 pandemic safety protocols will be followed in order to protect workers?
7. Regarding the "Agreement" (Exhibit C), why is "substantial compliance" of the Agreement tied only to the capital expenditure and NOT to any of the job creation? Considering the 60% tax reduction for this project is essentially being paid for by the tax payers of Terre Haute, shouldn't "substantial compliance" of the Agreement be directly tied to job creation to ensure those jobs are, in fact, created?