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Nick,

I understand that you are planning to reach out to me regarding this project. Our Board this evening tabled an item relating to this for 2 weeks so that we can better understand what the City is offering or considering. So you know I also spoke this afternoon to Commissioner Sessions (he called me) regarding this same item.

As you know, the County has been attempting for some time to find the right solution for this property. Unfortunately, the building has fallen into a state of disrepair. As a solution, the County is prepared to move forward with renovating the building to house veterans who are in transition with stays at this location for 12 months and longer. The location works for several reasons:

It's within a few blocks of the transit facility
It's within a few blocks of Community Services (CS) building
The CS building also houses a veterans service officer, a key service need

The building has some very large and immediate needs. We estimate the cost to renovate for the purposes described at between \$300,000 to \$400,000. Additionally, if the roof is not addressed immediately, the building may not be recoverable.

The County is open to considering another location for the Veteran's Assistance Center, but it needs to work well for what we're trying to accomplish. Let me know when you want to get together.

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