From: Gary Edson
To: MayorQ

Cc: Public Testimony; Clerk

Subject: PROMISED REFORM OF TIFs awarded to rich firms undeserving of public handouts

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Dear Mayor Quinton Lucas,

When you ran for office you promised to reform the TiF process to benefit more citizens and projects that deserve these precious building incentives.

Fidelity Security Life's proposed project does not deserve a TIF from the city. They are already a very successful business and should build something that they can afford themselves.

TiF incentives should be used in continuously distressed areas; Crown Center is NOT distressed.

Building the street card should be enough incentive to build in that area, yet the firm is non-cooperative in this endeavor.

Instead they are proposing a huge private garage that increases the costs of their project while other parking spaces go empty nearby.

FSL has no intention of leaving KC, they are only bluffing so they can receive TIF and other incentives.

Please VOTE NO and do what you can to oppose these TIF incentive going to Fidelity Security Life, an already rich firm underserving of public handouts.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

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