From: Diana Villarreal <diana@rmhc-richmond.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 4:41 PM

To: Rodney@thewiltonco.com
Cc: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR

**Subject:** In Support - Sale of Public Safety Building

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Dear Mr. Poole,

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Please recommend the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners.

Thank you so much.

Diana

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Diana Villarreal, MSW

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From: Dayna Cobb <dayna@rmhc-richmond.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 4:16 PM

**To:** City Clerk's Office

**Cc:** Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR

Subject: Navy Hill sale

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Thank you so much

Dayna Cobb

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Dayna Cobb Family Room Manager



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From: James Romanik < jromanik@thedoorways.org>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 4:47 PM

To: Rodney@thewiltonco.com
Cc: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Public Safety Building Proposal

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Dear Mr. Poole

I am writing in support of the sale of Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners under the Planning Commission's proposed ordinances coming before you on February 16th. I live in the City, work in the City, and serve as the Director of Development at The Doorways, one of the organizations that will benefit from this worthy project.

As you may know, The Doorways serves over 10,000 patients and their families annually. Our building, located at 612 E. Marshall Street, was built in the mid-60's and has lived its useful life. Because of its size, we are often at capacity, having no choice but to turn away families when there are no available rooms. Year after year, our maintenance expenses increase as we strive to keep our facility running to ensure that those who depend on our services can access life-saving medical care. As our building continues to age, these expense will only mount. With more dollars allocated to the upkeep of an aging and inadequate facility, our ability to foster healthcare equity and access will be severely hampered to the detriment of those traveling to Richmond for needed care.

The new building will allow us to design the optimal space for all our guests. This need is especially acute for our long-term guests/patients, many of whom are immune-compromised and are with us for over a month, some staying six months or more. The location is closer to the hospital, enabling easier and safer travel to and from The Doorways. Most importantly, the new building will allow us to expand the number of rooms available so that we can serve all those who need us. With your leadership, we can demonstrably improve access to life-saving medical care for those who need it most.

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Throughout the community, we have watched the processes with hope and enthusiasm. It's wonderful to see that there has been unanimous agreement on the proposed uses for the Public Safety Building block. This proposal meets the needs of the Health System, The Doorways, and the Ronald McDonald House, each identified in the master planning documents and confirmed by the input of thousands of Richmonders who participated in the process.

This is a moment when your leadership can have a positive impact on the City of Richmond that can last for years. I ask that you approve the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners.

Thank you for your consideration and for all that you do for our City.

Best wishes, James Romanik

## James V. Romanik

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Have you considered your legacy to The Doorways?

From: Stacy Brinkley <sbrinkley@thedoorways.org>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 4:20 PM

To: lawmanchem@yahoo.com
Cc: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Public Safety Building Proposal

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I am writing to support the sale of Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners per the proposed ordinances coming before you today. I am a resident of the City, I work in the City, and I am the President/CEO of The Doorways which is one of the organizations that will benefit from this project.

As you may know, The Doorways serves over 10,000 patients and their families annually and we are located at 612 E. Marshall Street. Our building was built in the mid-60's and has lived its useful life. We must spend significant budget dollars on repairs and utilities to keep our facility running and serving those who depend on our program for access to life-saving medical care. Excessive funds spent to maintain our building will only increase and will eventually have a detrimental impact on our ability to provide for these families. Additionally, our facility was not designed to meet the ongoing needs of our guests, many of whom are long-term patients undergoing lengthy and high-risk outpatient treatments.

This new building will allow us to design the optimal space for all our guests and especially our long-term guests/patients many of whom are immune-compromised and are with us for over a month, some staying 6 months or more. The location is closer to the hospital which will make it safer and easier for our guests to get back and forth. And even more importantly it will allow us to expand the number of rooms available so that we can serve all those who need us. In our current building we are often at capacity and have no choice but to turn families away when there are no available rooms.

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Please approve the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners. Thank you so much. Stacy

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From: Fred Moore <fmoore@yourbigriver.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 2:57 PM **To:** Addison, Andreas D. - City Council

Cc: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Public Safety Building Proposal

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I am writing to support the sale of Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners per the proposed ordinances coming before you today. For the last five years, I have served on the Board of Directors of The Doorways (Hospital Hospitality House of Richmond, Inc. 54-1240348) a 501 (C) (3) organization that provides lodging and partners with VCU Health and the Richmond VA Medical Center to facilitate access to healthcare for thousands of families annually when lifesaving medical services are unavailable in their home communities. <a href="https://www.thedoorways.org/about-us/#missionOur">https://www.thedoorways.org/about-us/#missionOur</a>

The Doorways is one of the organizations that will benefit from this project by providing an opportunity for us to relocate from our current 8 story maintenance challenged 1960's facility to a new building designed with optimal spaces to accommodate our many guest populations especially long-term and severely immune-compromised guests. Many of these folks need shelter and support services for months, some staying with us in Richmond for 6 months or more. The new location is closer to the hospital which will make it safer and easier for our guests to get back and forth and more importantly it will allow us to expand the number of rooms available so that we can serve all those who need us. Currently we are often at capacity and/or have rooms out of service for maintenance leaving no choice but to turn families away when there are no available rooms. We ask our guest to contribute \$15 per night to help cover expenses but greater than 50% of our families are unable to cover even this small contribution. Our building has lived its useful life and the each year it becomes more and more challenging to meet the health and safety needs of our families.

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Please approve the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners.

Thank you,

Fred Moore

H Frederick T Moore President Big River Strategic Advisors www.bigriversa.com 804-647-3151 From: Kerry Blumberg <kerry@rmhc-richmond.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:36 AM

To:Rodney@thewiltonco.comCc:Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDRSubject:Public Safety Building Sale

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I am writing to support the sale of Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners. For the past 8 years, I have served as the Executive Director of RMHC Richmond which is one of the organizations that will benefit from this project.

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Please recommend the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners.

Thank you so much.

Kerry Blumberg

# **Kerry Blumberg**

Executive Director RMHC Richmond | http://rmhc-richmond.org

ph: 804.355.6517 | kerry@rmhc-richmond.org Mailing Address: 2330 Monument Avenue; Richmond, VA 23220

From: Audra Butler <abutler@unitedscrap.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 1:19 PM

**To:** Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR

**Subject:** Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners

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Please recommend the ordinances and sale of the Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners. Thank you kindly,

#### Audra Butler



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From: Rainey Niklawski <rainey@rmhc-richmond.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 10:41 AM

To: Rodney@thewiltonco.com
Cc: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR

**Subject:** Sale of Richmond's Public Safety Building to Capital City Partners

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Thank you so much,

Rainey Niklawski

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Rainey Niklawski

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From: Mike DeRuosi <amderuosi@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 9:21 PM

**To:** jackthompson1@verizon.net

**Cc:** Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR; City Clerk's Office

**Subject:** Capital City partners

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Dear sir,

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Yours truly,

A.Michael DeRuosi

From: Melisa Ross <melisa@rmhc-richmond.org>
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 1:34 PM

**To:** Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR; City Clerk's Office **Subject:** In Support - Sale of Public Safety Building

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Good afternoon Matthew,

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Thank you so much,

Melisa

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## **Melisa Ross**

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