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**Attachments:** MRC report april2025.pdf

City Council,

Wanted to say thank you to the council members, and city department heads, that came to the private open house on Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. I know a few of you were unable to attend due to schedules, but it was nice to show off the building. There will be a public open house in May with details still being determined by Meridian.

Just to recap, so that the entire City Council can have full information regarding Crisis Center that many who attended now know.

- 1- Crisis Center is now accepting patients from: City Police, Muncie Mission, IU Health Ball Hospital, The Hub. Working to add YWCA and then more entities.
- 2- The front of the building has a secured entrance door which takes you to an intake, entry area. This area has seating for patients and an area for employees to get patient info. Plus, there is a restroom and a door to the administrator office. The Hall way to the right goes to the entrance to a quiet area. This area has numerous seating options for patients, two exam areas, a small kitchen/refreshment area, and an area held for future expansion of services. The quiet area also has a locked door that only staff can open with assigned keys.
- 3- This area that is locked from Meridian opens into the Police section. We have separated the two police offices from the Meridian Health side for safety and HIPPA reasons. This area is intended as a place for police social workers or other officers to interview referrals, if needed, prior to releasing for care to Meridian. This area also has 2 bathrooms/shower/washing machine, clothes dryer, HVAC room, IT room. There is also access to a back door that can be used, if deemed necessary, by police for entry rather than the main entrance.
- 4- Lastly, there is a staff restroom, kitchen/lunch area, and storage area in the building.
- 5- Current hours are 8am to 5pm. Plans are to look at expanding the hours in the future. This could occur once the referral partners are lined up, active, and volume warrants it.

Agenda items for Monday's City Council meeting:

The administration did not submit anything new for this meeting. As a result, I do not have an update on anything new from us on this email. I will give brief overviews of the other items that are new.

There are two ordinances- One having to do with floodplains from legal (brings it up to code).

The other is an Ordinance regarding Skatepark amending Chapter 92 and 95 that is coming from a City Council member Selvey. FYI- My most recent update from the contractor indicates that it should be complete by June. We will schedule a ribbon cutting and let you all know as soon as it can be confirmed.

The other item that should come up is the MRC annual report (already sent to MRC and on gateway). This is attached to this email in case you have not reviewed it on gateway. Bob Swintz, the financial advisor for the MRC is planning to attend the council meeting in case you have questions. This is a financial information report only for your review and does not require any action by the city council. This might be best addressed during committee reports if the President can.

Matt Wagley, Deputy Controller will be at the meeting for the Administration. Both Craig and I will not be at the meeting this month. I have another appointment that conflicts and Craig Wright, Controller, is on vacation and will be out of town.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions.