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[EXTERNAL]

Dear Randy:

I wanted to update you on the campus security situation. I think there are short-term objectives and longer-term objectives. The City has fenced the property, and it appears that any imminent public safety issues are stabilized. The public cannot get onto the property, and in fact, when US Magis representatives were here recently, they could not access their property for purposes of inspection or planning. Magis should be retaining a security contractor very shortly, and it intends to post the property against trespassing to increase the grade of criminal trespass from Class 2 to Class 1.

The longer-term issue, which could not be resolved within the thirty-day period you requested, is the remediation and reconstruction of the campus properties. Magis has spent considerable time and effort recently in planning for its college program, including some cooperative programs with East Tennessee State University. When the Virginia Business College enterprise fell short in 2022, considerable renovation had been done to the dormitory, student center, and classroom buildings. These improvements appear to have been subjected to vandalism, but the improvements should still be structurally sound.

From the list of defective conditions that you sent me, it is unclear where these situations might be, and we would appreciate it if you could particularize those conditions to allow us to prioritize their remediation. Again, none of these conditions would appear to endanger the non-trespassing public. With the itemization of the conditions in hand, we would like to consult a design professional to formulate a concrete plan and timetable.

With the growing season coming to an end, I don't think there is any reason for further mowing by the City, and I would appreciate it if you would let me know if the City thinks any additional mowing is necessary and when that might happen. Also, if City personnel go to the property, I would like to know when and for what purpose that visit is scheduled. I am not aware that Magis has been notified of any past City activity on the property.

Thanks. We'll keep you posted.

John

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