

Mr. David Corliss
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RE: 900 New Hampshire Cost Reimbursement Request

Dear David:

Pursuant to our previous discussions, on behalf of 900 New Hampshire, L.C, we would like to request consideration of our request for cost reimbursement assistance for our Project to be built at Ninth & New Hampshire on the lot just north of the Art Center. The current plans are to build an eighty-one unit extended stay hotel and twenty-one residential units. The Project would also include some retail uses on the ground floor. We anticipate an investment of approximately \$18 million in this Project.

The hotel is required by its franchisor to have parking available to its guests. We intend to build approximately 119 parking spaces as part of the Project. As you know, we are not required by current City zoning district to provide any off-street parking. Because of the difficulty in recovering the cost of the parking facility and because of the expense of providing underground parking, we are requesting that the City consider using a combination of the following tools to assist us in recovering the cost of the parking facility and the related public infrastructure costs associated with the Project:

- Authorize a “substantial change” to the existing Downtown 2000 Tax Increment District by amendment of the existing TIF District to remove the subject property and create a new tax increment district pursuant to the procedures outlined in K.S.A. 12-1771(e) and K.S.A. 12-1772(3)(f).
- Establishment of a Transportation Development District with 1% additional sales tax levied on retail sales including the hotel room nights;
- Approval for use of Industrial Revenue Bonds to finance construction.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of these various tools for cost reimbursement for the public infrastructure costs associated with this Project.

Very Truly Yours,



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