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## Trivisonno Letter

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Mr. Trivisonno:

Thank you for your e-mail and for expressing your interest in this project. Your vision for the property is creative and insightful.

Council has before it an immediate proposition from a non-profit organization to maintain and improve the property at no cost to the city. This proposition will result in an influx of over \$300,000 in improvements to city property. Over the term of the lease, this averages out to an annual rent of \$1,667/month plus the benefit the city receives from not having to maintain the property.

This proposition has been in the public for approximately three to four months. There have been discussions with other entities. No other entity has come forward to express an interest in the property. The property is not for sale. We are well aware of the positives and negatives in the lease agreement. However, the negotiation process intrinsically provides that each side will give a little and each side will get a little.

The lease presents us with an opportunity to improve city property and work with a non-profit organization in developing the area for sports activities. As always, we strive to strike a balance between what is best for the city, best for our residents and encourages local businesses and non-profit organizations to continue to invest in Eastlake. We cannot, in good faith, ask anyone (resident or organization) to wait 1 to 2 years while we try to put together funding to develop an area only to provide a negative response to the initial inquiry. The resident or organization would take their investment to another community. We were unable to pass a recreation levy two years ago. The voters have clearly stated to council developing recreation in the city is not a priority. We must respect their directives as well.

At end of the lease term, we will retain the property and improvements. In the event the city becomes solvent in the future, we will have an opportunity to develop the land at that time.

With all due respect and after careful consideration of your input, I disagree with your position. I intend to support the development of this property and vote yes on the lease.

If you would like to discuss this further, feel free to contact me.

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