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## City Council Votes to Pursue Litigation Proceedings Against The Gathering Inn

Lincoln, CA, September 11, 2024 — City Council voted unanimously last night to issue a legislative subpoena for records related to The Gathering Inn's acquisition of a property in Lincoln. Additionally, the City Attorney reported out of closed session that the City Council has unanimously given direction to the City Attorney to pursue litigation proceedings against The Gathering Inn regarding this matter.

The City of Lincoln was informed by The Gathering Inn of the purchase of 1660 3rd Street for their proposed medical respite facility on August 14. Since that time, The Gathering Inn has not been willing to provide important documents related to the grant utilized to purchase the property. Therefore, the City will be moving forward with a legislative subpoena in order to perform an investigation into all matters surrounding the purchase.

We want to make it clear that Lincoln is not opposed to doing our part in addressing local or regional issues such as homelessness or identifying supportive services for the unhoused. On the contrary, Lincoln has demonstrated through our successful Homeless Pilot Program and other local initiatives that we are a community that cares deeply and is willing to act.

Any effort to serve our residents, particularly the most vulnerable among us, must be done with the full involvement and support of the community. Without this, we risk fracturing the very unity that has allowed us to make such meaningful progress. We remain dedicated to ongoing transparency and will be sharing regular updates and information as it becomes available.

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