

From: Cory Springhorn [mailto:cspringhorn@mhresources.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2015 3:19 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward4; #CI-StPaul_Ward6
Subject: Diane Ahrens Crisis Residence

This message was sent securely using ZixCorp.

Mr. Stark and Mr. Bostrom:

I'm aware that you will be considering a zoning change to allow People, Inc. to relocate the Diane Ahrens Crisis Residence to 1784 LaCrosse Avenue. Although I'm no longer a resident of St. Paul, I work on Transfer Road in St. Paul for another mental health services provider, and I am well aware that there is a critical need for mental health services, in St. Paul and throughout the Twin Cities, and I hope you will support the zoning change, as city staff and the planning commission are recommending.

I am also a city council member, up in Shoreview, currently in my first year of service, and I've already had some experience with constituents unhappy about things they don't want in their neighborhood. In our case, right now we have a group of citizens opposing a developer's proposal to put up a 100 unit apartment building right next to their quiet secluded neighborhood. There are a lot of pros and cons to weigh in that situation. I understand there may be pros and cons in the situation involving the LaCrosse site also, but I believe that ultimately, it will do the most good for the community to ensure that people with mental illness have the opportunity to access the services they require in their community.

Thanks for your time.
Regards,

Cory Springhorn, PHR
Human Resources Manager
651-294-6057 (Direct Line)
651-294-6064 (Fax)
cspringhorn@mhresources.com
<http://www.mhresources.org>



Mental Health Resources, Inc.
fostering hope, health and recovery for those affected by mental illness

762 Transfer Road, Suite 21
St. Paul, MN 55114