

Mayor John Hamilton  
Office of the Mayor  
401 N Morton St  
Suite 210  
Bloomington IN 47404

November 28, 2023

Dear Mayor Hamilton,

It has come to my attention that the City of Bloomington is trying to sell the real estate where the current Police Department is located, just south of 3rd Street.

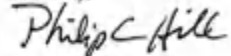
This real estate was originally part of 3rd Street Park. The real estate was donated to the City by my ancestors and other families. The purpose of the gift was to establish a City Park. The City, several years ago, renamed Third Street Park the Waldron, Hill and Buskirk Park in honor of this donation.

Our family has been and continues to be pleased with the use of the real estate as a park. Children from Boys and Girls Club, the Project School, Kid City, the Middle Way House and the Rise are all using the park, along with citizens enjoying performances from the Bandstand. Over the years folks have enjoyed the pool, band shell, Juke Box and general park use.

We were shocked to learn the City plans to sell the real estate to private parties for private use. We are not in favor of this sale or private use. We believe the real estate deed to the City contains what is commonly know as a "Reversion Clause" which requires the real estate to revert to the ownership of original donors or their heirs if no longer used for City purposes.

Please be advised that we intend to enforce the Reversion Clause in the event the City sells the real estate or in any manner attempts to convert it to private use. The intent of the donors should be honored and the public should have the benefit of the donation.

Sincerely,



Philip C. Hill

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47401

Hand delivered this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.