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Mr. Dennis M. Stachewicz, Jr.
Director of Planning and Community Development
City of Marquette
300 W. Baraga Avenue
Marquette, MI 49855

Re: Hospital Relocation Study – Environmental Assessment.

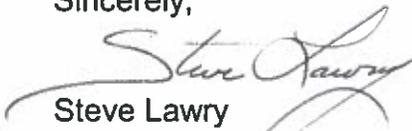
Dear Dennis:

The City's Early Coordination Notification for the Hospital Relocation Environmental Assessment was reviewed by the Chocolay Township Planning Commission. While the Commission took no formal action to develop a response, Planning Commission Chair Andy Sikkema offered the following comments to be forwarded to the City.

"Revisions to US 41 for access to the hospital should not degrade or significantly impact the current flow of traffic along the M28/US 41 corridor. Degradation of the currently unimpeded traffic flow on this limited access roadway would impact motorists travelling through the area with no intention of entering the City of Marquette. M28/US 41 is the only through route across Marquette County. The construction of the replacement hospital should not significantly increase the traffic and therefore should not significantly decrease the traffic flow or increase traffic delays. Consider all access options, not just roundabouts."

Thank you for this opportunity to provide comments to the planning process for this very significant project.

Sincerely,


Steve Lawry
Township Manager