STATE OF VERMONT GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD

IN RE FLETCHER ALLEN HEALTH CARE)	•
SOUTH BURLINGTON PROPERTY ACQUISITION)	GMCB-015-14con
CERTIFICATE OF NEED)	

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD

NOW COMES the City of Burlington ("City"), by and through its attorneys, and hereby proposes that the Green Mountain Care Board ("GMCB") propound the following questions to the Applicant, Fletcher Allen Health Care, Inc. ("FAHC"):

1. You have indicated that Fletcher Allen's Master Facilities Plan has been adopted after a planning process initiated in 2002. June 2, 2014 Application at 5. In addition, in your application you state that, "[o]ver time, if this application is approved, Fletcher Allen will develop the vacant lots in order to relocate existing outpatient clinics." June 2, 2014 Application at 14. The application further indicates that the "UHC Campus"

....houses a number of outpatient departments, including primary care, psychiatry, children's psychology, neurology, nephrology, the Day One Program and the Seneca Program. The UHC Campus lease has three additional five-year terms. Its potential expiration within that time period requires Fletcher Allen to seek alternative space for the substantial services now housed in that location.

The proposed site in South Burlington can accommodate the above space needs as well as additional needs that arise in the future. This includes existing clinical services that are operating in leased space, once the leases come to term....

June 2, 2014 Application at 18.

- a. Please describe the pediatric services that are currently offered at the UHC location.
- b. Do you anticipate moving pediatric services that Burlingtonians currently receive at the UHC location to Tilley Drive?
- c. Do you anticipate moving adult primary care services to Tilley Drive?
- d. Please describe how the relocation of services will meet health care needs for low income and venerable communities in Burlington.
- e. Please describe the planning factors, analysis that informed the conclusion that future needs of outpatient and ambulatory care facilities could not be adequately provided for on the existing FAHC campus lands along East Ave in Burlington?
- 2. There have been references to FAHC office staff who currently work in downtown Burlington. Could you please describe the departments/programs those staff are associated with and the total number of FAHC staff working in downtown Burlington? Do you anticipate moving all or some of the office staff that currently works in downtown Burlington to Tilley Drive?
- 3. In the application, you state that FAHC has adequately considered the availability of affordable, accessible patient transportation services to the facility indicating:

Fletcher Allen has subsidized public transportation to Mountain View Business Park since shortly after it began offering clinical services in South Burlington. Though an agreement with Chittenden County Transportation Authority (CCTA) and Special Services Transportation Agency (SSTA), Fletcher Allen participated in setting up a shuttle service to ensure that public transportation to Mountain View Business Park is available for all patients who need it. This service is evaluated by Fletcher Allen on an ongoing basis to ensure that it meets the needs of our patients. As the South Burlington site is developed over time (if

this application is approved), Fletcher Allen will continue to assess the public transportation that is provided to its clinical sits in South Burlington and will work with CCTA and SSTA to make any necessary service adjustments as ridership increases.

June 2, 2014 Application at 19.

- a. Please describe the current public transportation services available to enable patients who reside in Burlington to get to Tilley Drive.
- b. If your application is approved and services increase at Tilley Drive, how will you address the lack of public and multi-model transit options for accessing health services at Tilley Drive? Please describe any discussions you have had with public transportation providers and what increases in bus services are contemplated.
- c. Please describe any plans you have for providing bike and pedestrian access and support services.
- d. Please describe any plan you have to ensure access to the facility for needy and/or underserved populations.
- e. Please describe any plans to encourage/incentivize healthy or active transportation options for both employees and patients at the Tilley Drive location.
- f. There is a well recognized standard that links that the development of effective transit service with coordinated land use and urban design policies thru the development of an urban structure that facilitates walking access to transit routes, reduces overall vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and single occupant vehicle use (SOV), reduces greenhouse gas emissions, improves health outcomes, conserves land and water, increases access across income groups

and contributes to a more vibrant and sustainable region. Please describe how this proposal will meet that standard.

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