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Dear Mr. Hill and Mr. Lipsey,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide design and mobility recommendations for the New Behavioral Health Hospital Acadia Healthcare at 559 North Capitol Boulevard. We appreciate the invitation to participate in the project workshops and provide input early in the design process.

Move Minnesota is supportive of the list of mobility commitments shared in the CAAPB Zoning Application – Section II, Item 'C-2'. Taken together, these commitments will improve mobility and help to reduce climate and air pollution from transportation to and from your site. We are particularly excited to learn employee parking will not be free at this site and Metro Transit passes will be subsidized for all staff.

We also appreciate that the bicycle parking is in a sheltered, secured, and enclosed area, making it easier for staff to choose bicycle travel as a viable way to commute to work. Additionally, your decision to provide staff showers and locker facilities further supports people commuting by bicycle.

Electric vehicle charging stations, like those you will be providing onsite for your staff, are becoming a necessary amenity for new facilities as our communities shift away from gas-powered vehicles to electric. Having information available to staff regarding HOURCAR and Evie Carshare would suggest additional transportation options for employees who want to ride the bus or train, bike, walk, or roll, and still have access to a shared car for occasional use.

Thank you for including the staff entrance in the final design. Providing this entrance near the direction of the light rail station allows people who use the train a more direct route to the building. It is our hope that special consideration is given to the design of this entrance, being the location is near the loading dock area. Sight lines for oversized trucks will need to be considered as well as designated sidewalks, crossings, and lighting to support pedestrian safety.

We appreciate this opportunity to provide comments and look forward to exploring additional ways we can assist in the future.

Sincerely,



Sam Rockwell

Executive Director, Move Minnesota