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Ms. Courtney Avery
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Board
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**Re: Physicians' Surgical Centre (Proj. No. 19-025) – Request for Expedited
Review**

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of Ahmed 15, LLC, we request the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("State Board") grant expedited review of the above-referenced Physicians' Surgical Centre application for certificate of need permit (the "CON Application") and consider the CON Application at the September 17, 2019 State Board meeting. This project proposes to relocate the existing ambulatory surgical treatment center from its current location at 311 West Lincoln Street, Belleville, Illinois ("Existing Surgery Center") to 729 Insight Avenue, O'Fallon, Illinois ("Replacement Surgery Center"). The Existing Surgery Center is located on the former campus of HSHS St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville. As described in the CON permit application for this project, St. Elizabeth's Hospital has been relocated and the associated buildings have been demolished. Demolition of the St. Elizabeth's Hospital campus has created challenges for both patients and staff and has increased the urgency to relocate the surgery center to location that will better serve safety net and other patients in the Metro East area.

Further, this is a leased property and based on the lease term, the additional six weeks provided by an earlier review of this project will enable the applicant to develop the new building in a more orderly fashion without undue concern that the lease will end before the relocation of the surgical center operations are completed.



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Thank you for your time and consideration of Ahmed 15, LLC's request for expedited review of the Physicians' Surgical Centre CON Application. We hope the State Board will consider this project at the September 17, 2019 meeting.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anne M. Cooper'.

Anne M. Cooper

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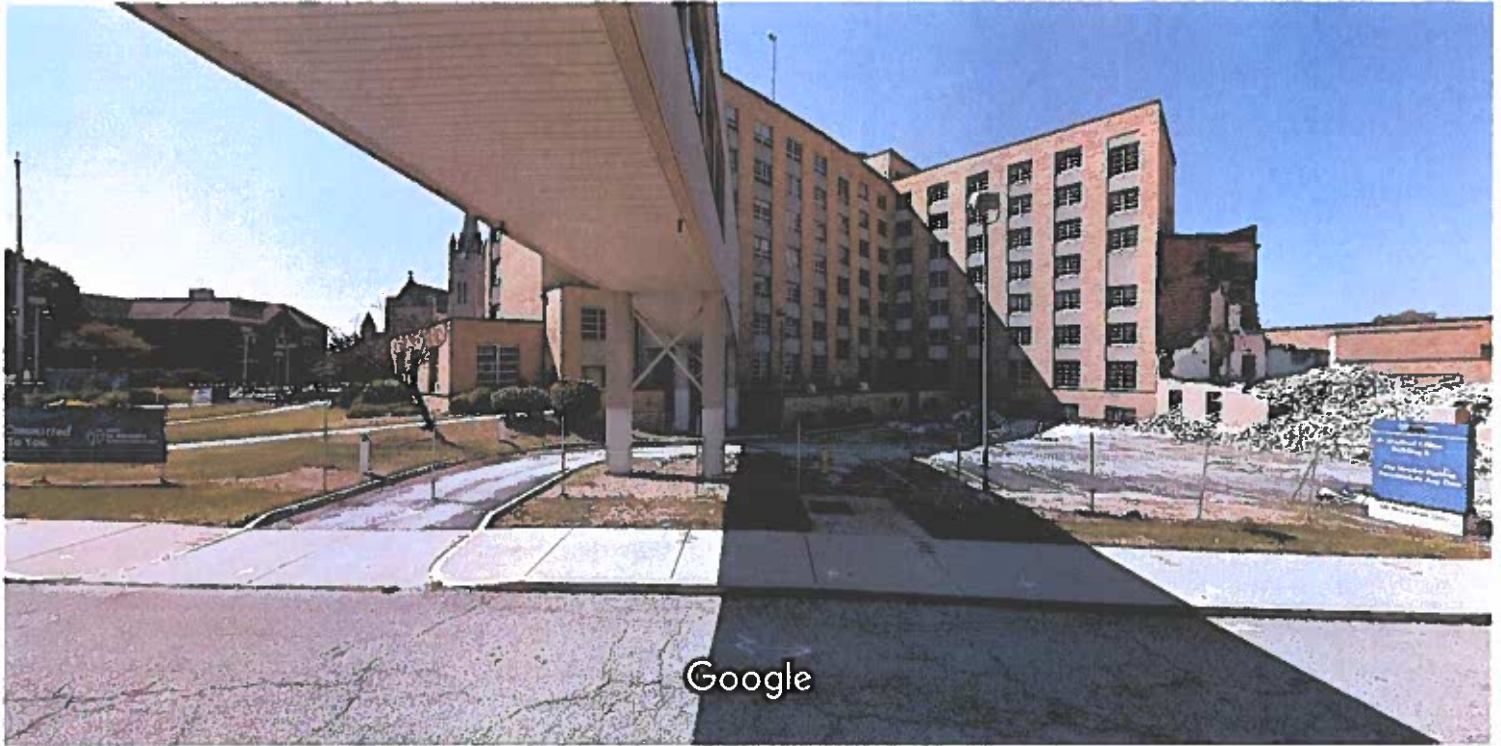


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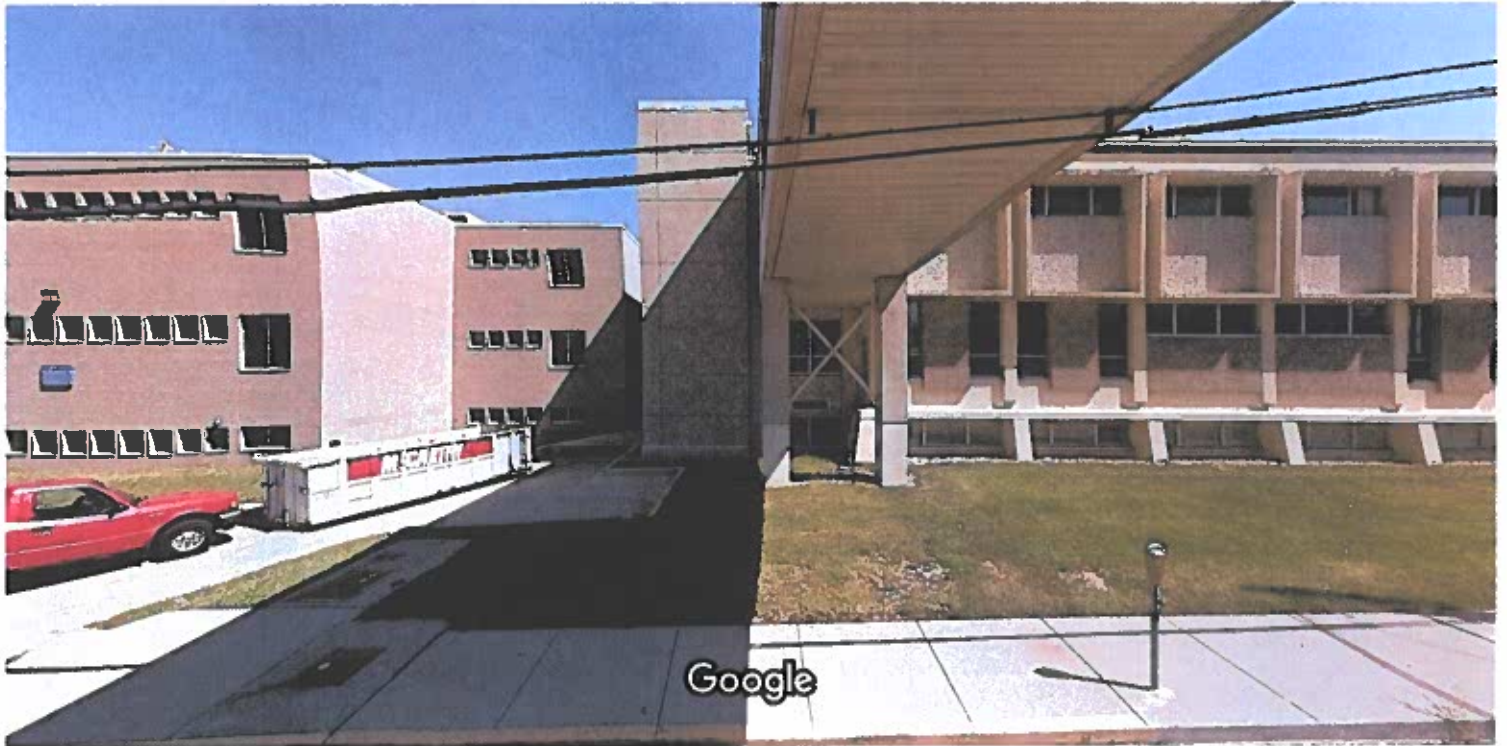


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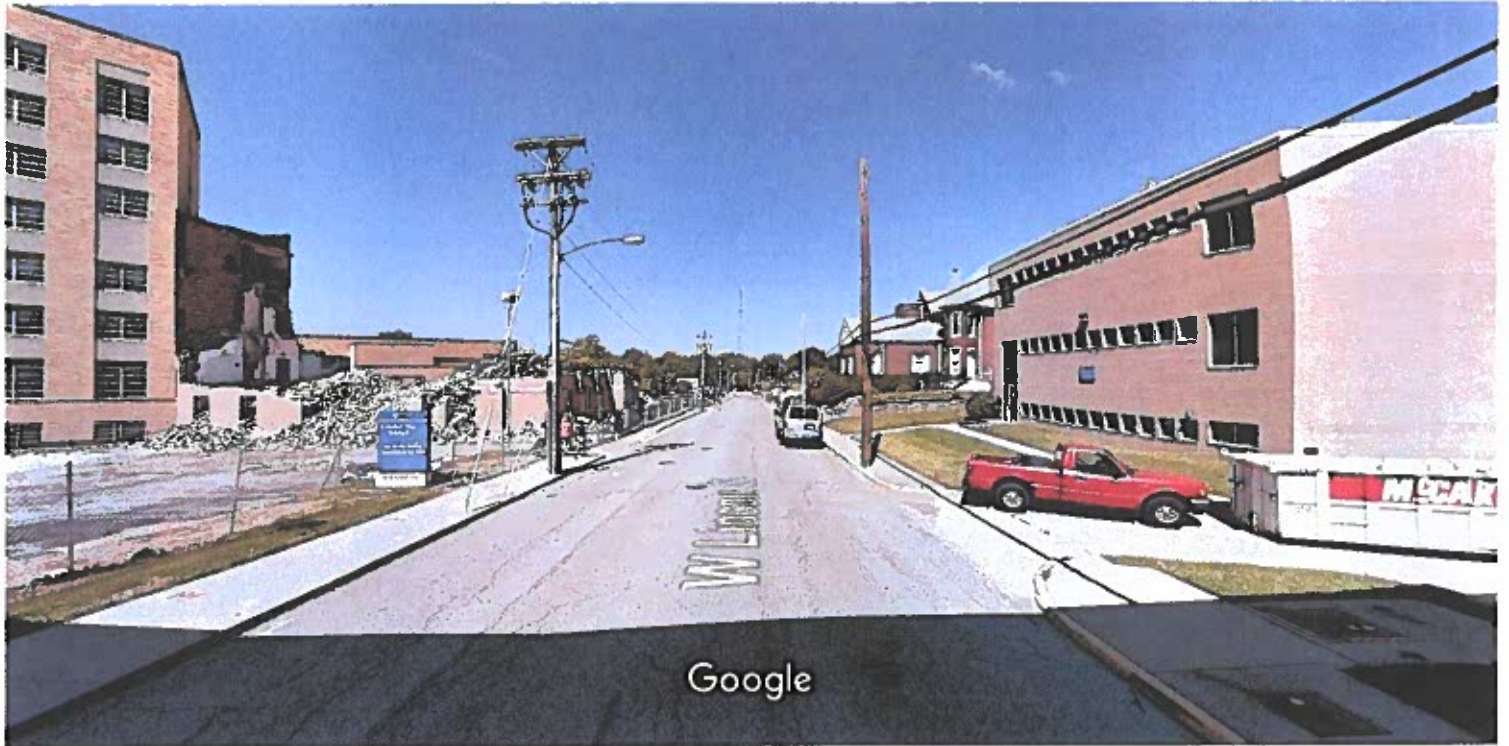


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