

June 3, 2021

To: Miami County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Phil Dixon
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Commissioner Tyler Vaughan
Commissioner Danny Gallagher

RE: Petition for Incorporation of the City of Golden

From: Stan and Gail Brower
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We are writing in regard to the upcoming Public Hearing during which consideration of the petition for incorporation of the City of Golden will be discussed.

We have been residents of Miami County for more than 20 years and chose this location specifically because of the rural setting. We signed the petition to incorporate the city of Golden because we were led to believe it was the only option for preventing encroachment of the warehouses associated with the Logistics Park, which will adversely affect the rural agriculture setting in which we live, forever damage the ecosystem and Hillsdale watershed district, and jeopardize our safety on the two-lane roads that were never intended to be thoroughfares for a constant stream of semi-trucks.

We are now concerned that the proposal to form a new city was done in haste. We urge the commissioners to require a feasibility study from the petitioner to address the matter of funding fire protection, emergency medical, and law enforcement services. The petitioner made a blanket statement that services would not change. We now question the validity of that statement and would like to know the actual projected cost and specific source of the funds.

We would welcome hearing any alternative solutions the commissioners may have that would protect our land values and rural setting. We are not against "appropriate new development," just against the spread of massive warehouses looming over the countryside we love.

Stan and Gail Brower

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