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Via E-mail

Re: Public Forum on Proposed Vigo County Jail on Monday, February 6, 2017

To the Vigo County Commissioners, Vigo County Council, Vigo County Attorney, Vigo County Sheriff, Vigo County Prosecutor's Office, and Vigo County Judges,

The Vigo County Taxpayers Association (TA) is a non-partisan organization made up of individuals, organizations, businesses and leaders within our community. Its mission includes educating and informing the citizens of Vigo County regarding local tax matters, encouraging economy and efficiency in government, and assuring taxpayers' dollars are spent wisely. The TA has been a vital part of this community for eighty years. Due to the important financial issues facing both the county and city, it is crucial for this organization to express its concerns on recent finance issues. Our goal is to have an informed and educated debate about projects being proposed in Vigo County as well as taxes and fees introduced as potential sources of revenue.

Representatives of the Vigo County Taxpayers Association discussed in a public meeting the County's need for a new jail and the proposals being discussed in the media and elsewhere. As a result of the meeting, the TA is sponsoring a forum open to the public and media to be held at the Vigo County Public Library in **Meeting Rooms A, B, and C from 6:30-9:00pm on Monday, February 6**. We cordially invite you to attend for the purpose of discussing four main issues: 1) proposed locations for the new jail; 2) size of the jail; 3) cost of the new jail as well as funding sources; and 4) ideas on what to do with our existing jail. During the forum we will have opportunities for public comment and questions.

It is our hope that this forum will help educate and inform the community as we will be sending out a press release the beginning of next week. Please RSVP to this e-mail and if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at (812)-238-1408 or ngambill@wcgfirm.com.

Sincerely,

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