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From: Lee Kaldor [mailto:L\_Kaldor@mayvillestate.edu]  
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2008 10:37 PM  
To: Anderson, Arden  
Subject: ACIR Meeting

Arden,

Please extend my regrets for not being able to attend at the beginning of the meeting. My intention is arrive no later than 3:40 PM, earlier if possible. (What follows, is what I would like you to read on my behalf)

I want to convey to those in attendance today that our intention is to ensure ample opportunity for testimony at this meeting and, if not here today, then at another meeting as soon as is practical here in the east.

There may be some confusion as to the powers and authority of this committee. To reiterate Council, this Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations has the authority to study a variety of issues. In this case, the Legislature assigned, through the Legislative Council, the responsibility to study the Extra-territorial zoning powers as provided for in statute. This committee has no authority to act on any zoning ordinance enacted by a city or regulate those actions in any way. Our purpose is to hear you and to consider your recommendations for future action. If our study justifies changes in statute, then this committee has the authority to propose legislation be drafted and introduced at the 2009 legislative session.

In the event that legislation be proposed to the 2009 legislature, the process will be the same as it is for any other bill introduced. Beyond our ability to propose, individual legislators may also choose to offer their own legislation.

Finally, I realize that there are deep emotional feelings on ET zoning.

This is a very complex and challenging issue for all levels of government within the state of North Dakota. As with all issues, there will likely be at least two points of view. Our job is to use our best judgement in the process of finding resolution. Whatever the case, we have to go where the study leads us. Hopefully, in the best case, we will find common ground that leads to positive results for all involved.

As we solicit your testimony, I ask that we approach our work in a civil way respecting each other in what we say for the record.

As I indicated earlier, if we don't get everything pertinent to this area covered today, we will schedule another meeting as soon as is practical.

With that, I welcome everyone to this meeting and look forward to your testimony.

Thank you.  
Lee Kaldor  
Chairman ACIR