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VINEYARD
Church of Elgin

12/29/2016

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Support: Ambulatory Surgery Center Project at Advocate Sherman Hospital

Dear Ms. Courtney Avery:

I would like to express my support in the construction of the Ambulatory Surgery Center at Advocate Sherman Hospital.

Sherman is an essential partner in the care of our community and has a long heritage in doing so. I personally have experienced their care during a traumatic time in life and have often visited patients from my congregation who were at the hospital for health care emergencies or surgery.

The ambulatory surgery center proposed for Sherman's campus will provide an affordable venue for our community. As a pastor with a wide range of ages and financial incomes represented in our church, the ambulatory surgery center will help them not to delay needed surgeries due to cost. It will also offer assurance and peace with the hospital being nearby in case an emergency arises.

On behalf of the Vineyard Church of Elgin, I ask the Review Board to approve this project.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Severson".

Tom Severson
Senior Pastor
Vineyard Church of Elgin

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December 31, 2016

Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board
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Re: Support: Ambulatory Surgery Center Project at Advocate Sherman Hospital

Dear Ms. Courtney Avery:

It is with the interest of the citizens of Elgin in mind that I express my support for the construction of the Ambulatory Surgery Center at Advocate Sherman Hospital

Sherman is an essential partner in the care of our community, providing access to high quality care for more than 125 years. The Fire Department and Sherman work closely together in responding to and caring for the health care emergencies of our residents.

The ambulatory surgery center proposed for Sherman's campus will provide another source of care for our community. Being responsible for EMS services in the area, I know that patients who need immediate, life-saving care often displace and delay other patients, including those scheduled for surgery. The ambulatory surgery center will alleviate this problem as well as allow the main hospital operating room to focus their attention more fully on the high acuity and emergent patients.

On behalf of the Elgin Fire Department and our community, I ask the Review Board to approve this project.

Thank you for your consideration.



David Schmidt
Fire Chief
Elgin Fire Department

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