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Tim,

Following up on our discussions, as you know the City Council granted RSA 79-E relief last year to our First Church redevelopment project at 177 N. Main Street. As part of that approval, substantial completion of the project was required to be completed by March 31, 2024.

As you also know, our abutting property owner, the Islamic Society of Greater Concord, has opposed the zoning variances we sought for the project, and filed an action against the City of Concord in the Merrimack County Superior Court seeking to overturn those variances. We are pleased to say that we and the Islamic Society have been able to work out a resolution that works for both sides, and allows our project to move forward (including a withdrawal of their lawsuit), while also conveying a portion of the First Church campus to the Islamic Society to allow for the construction of needed additional parking. Needless to say, this process has delayed the start (and therefore also expected completion) of our project, and we are now anticipating a late spring 2024 start, and late spring (but after March 31) 2025 completion.

Accordingly, we request that the City Council extend the required completion date from March 31, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

Thank you.

First Church Holdings, LLC - Jon Chorlian/Ben Kelley