

February 27, 2016

To: City Council  
Re: Landfill Property

Council,

In 2004 the city acquired 18 acres of landfill property from Donnie Moorehouse to be used pursuant to Parks and Recreation. Mr. Moorehouse still owns an additional 18 acres of the landfill property.

Recently Mr. Moorehouse has contacted me about finally doing something with the property and he has an interest in acquiring or having first right to purchase the 18 acres back that he sold to the City of Beech Grove.

Without going into details, I think it would be very prudent to go through the proper legal process to appraise the property that the City owns, advertise it for sale and in turn sell it back to Mr. Moorehouse or to any responsive bidder.

It is clear that the original intent of the property was to create playing fields for youth sports simply cannot take place and it would be my recommendation as Mayor that we follow the legal guidelines and sell the landfill property that we currently own. There is no justification to continue to spend tax dollars on a property that we cannot develop. I have asked our legal counsel to proceed and advise the common council at the March 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, the proper course to take to remedy this property.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Devo".