My concern is a for-profit entity wants to build a new 17,000 sq ft facility, to the neglect of the facility called the Lawrence Memorial Hospital. No concern regarding parking, although they will take a substantial portion of existing parking.

Not one word of investing in the existing structure.

Historically, Hallmark Health has mostly taken and cut services on the Lawrence Memorial Campus. The Lawrence Memorial Hospital had BLACK INK when the Hallmark merger happened, unlike the other 3 hospitals. The only things the Lawrence Memorial has been credited with are the combined loses of both campuses. Historically, the CEO spends 80% of their time at the Melrose Wakefield campus and 20% at the Lawrence campus. That ratio speaks volumes.

The proposed Ambulatory care center will be a for profit organization. Who are all the entities involved? Will prices be increased because they are for profit? Who controls what surgeons will have privileges?

In closing, if Wellforce doesn't have any desire to rebuild the Lawrence campus, perhaps they should sell the Lawrence to an organization that will develop and grow the actual facility.

Sincerely,

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