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RAILROAD

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To: Alyssa Hall <ahall47272@gmail.com>

Good morning, Alyssa.

I reviewed the railroad Land Lease agreement. I do not see any provision that expressly assigns responsibility to the Town for maintaining weeds, vegetation, or sight lines along the railroad tracks or crossings. The lease appears to be limited to approximately 18,000 square feet of land for use as a parking lot, as reflected in the agreement exhibits, and it does not appear to address maintenance responsibilities for the railroad corridor generally or the length of track running through Town. The railroad also appears to have retained ownership and operational control of the railroad facilities and right-of-way. Based on the nature of the issue you described, the issue appears to be a railroad safety and right-of-way concern rather than a maintenance obligation imposed on the Town under the lease.

My recommendation would be to take photographs and otherwise document the areas where vegetation, weeds, or debris are obstructing visibility at the crossings and then provide that information directly to the railroad with a request that the conditions be addressed. If the visibility issues are severe enough to create a public safety concern, there may also be additional avenues through railroad safety regulators or INDOT.

If you would like, I can help with drafting a formal notice/request letter once I receive pictures showing the maintenance issues impacting public safety. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss further.

Thank You,

Alex

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