



KEY OBSERVATIONS FROM THE EMAILS I REQUESTED REGARDING THE CITY HALL BOONDOGGLE



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RESIDENTS OF DALLAS,

THERE IS A LOT OF INTEREST REGARDING THE VERY PUBLIC NARRATIVE HAPPENING AROUND CITY HALL RIGHT NOW, AND I SHARE THAT CONCERN.

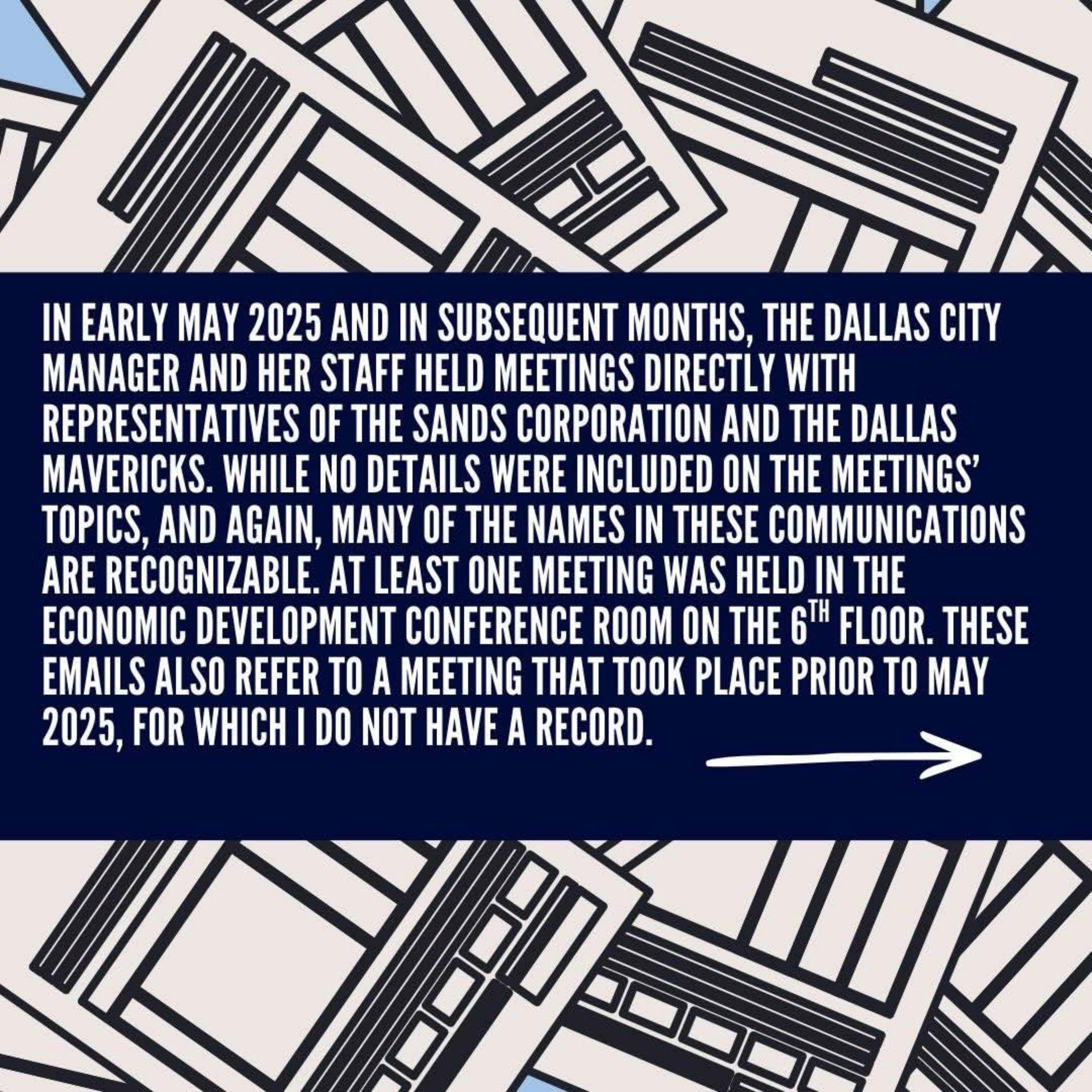
THROUGH AN INTERNAL REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION, I OBTAINED APPROXIMATELY 5,000 EMAILS AND WORKING DOCUMENTS INVOLVING CITY OF DALLAS STAFF, UP TO AND INCLUDING THE CITY MANAGER, AS WELL AS EXTERNAL INDIVIDUALS AND COMPANIES. AFTER REVIEWING THESE EMAILS, FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF WHAT I OBSERVED WAS OCCURRING BEHIND CLOSED DOORS AS SHOWN CLEARLY IN THE WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS.





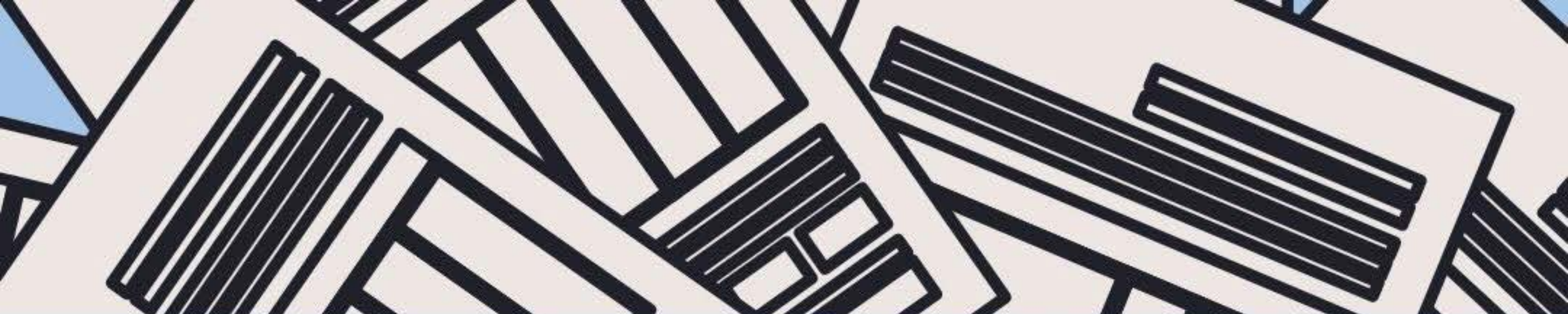
IN APRIL 2025, THE DALLAS CITY MANAGER BEGAN PARTICIPATING IN MEETINGS WITH BUSINESS LEADERS UNDER THE TITLE, “STATE OF DOWNTOWN DALLAS.” AT LEAST FOUR MEETINGS OF THIS TOPIC APPEAR TO HAVE FOLLOWED THROUGH JANUARY 2026. MANY OF THE NAMES IN THESE INVITATIONS ARE RECOGNIZABLE.





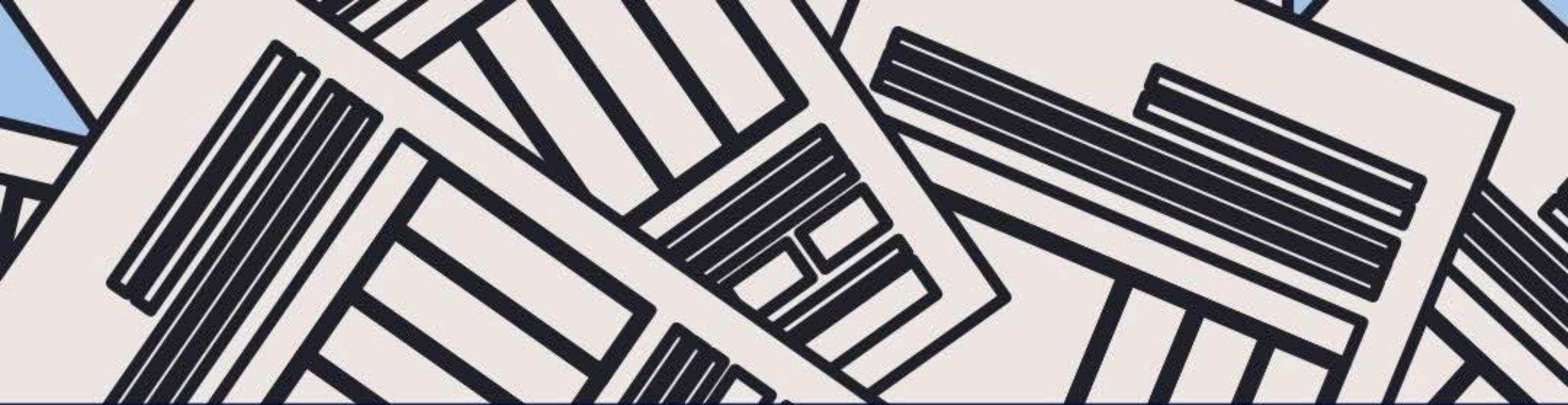
IN EARLY MAY 2025 AND IN SUBSEQUENT MONTHS, THE DALLAS CITY MANAGER AND HER STAFF HELD MEETINGS DIRECTLY WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SANDS CORPORATION AND THE DALLAS MAVERICKS. WHILE NO DETAILS WERE INCLUDED ON THE MEETINGS' TOPICS, AND AGAIN, MANY OF THE NAMES IN THESE COMMUNICATIONS ARE RECOGNIZABLE. AT LEAST ONE MEETING WAS HELD IN THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE 6TH FLOOR. THESE EMAILS ALSO REFER TO A MEETING THAT TOOK PLACE PRIOR TO MAY 2025, FOR WHICH I DO NOT HAVE A RECORD.





IN EARLY OCTOBER 2025, CITY MANAGEMENT CONTACTED A THIRD-PARTY BROKERAGE FIRM TO ENGAGE THE MARKET ON INTEREST IN THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY HALL PROPERTY. THIS ACTION TOOK PLACE PRIOR TO ANY CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION AND BEFORE FORMALLY ENGAGING WITH CBRE AFTER THE NOVEMBER 12TH, 2025, CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION.

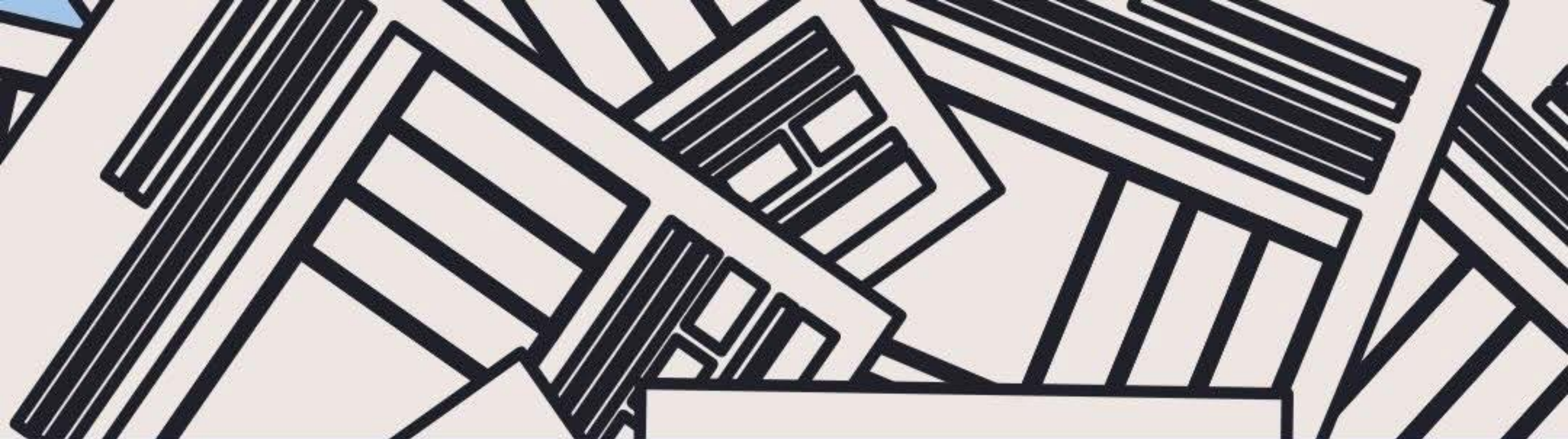




AT THAT NOVEMBER 12, 2025, CITY COUNCIL MEETING, THE CITY COUNCIL DIRECTED CITY STAFF TO COMPLETE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE CONDITION OF CITY HALL. CITY MANAGEMENT SELECTED THE DALLAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (DEDC) TO PROCURE AND LEAD THE ASSESSMENT. DEDC ENGAGED CBRE FORMALLY.

THE DEDC FACILITATED A NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT WITH THE ENGAGED PARTNERS IN THEIR “UNBIASED REPORT THAT SPENT HUNDREDS OF HOURS” AND STATED VIA EMAIL TO MAKE SURE AND KEEP EVERYTHING IN DRAFT FORM, MEANING THE DOCUMENT WAS NOT FINAL AND REMAINED SUBJECT TO CHANGE.





THE DIRECTION THAT THE DOCUMENT SHOULD REMAIN IN DRAFT FORM IS CURIOUS GIVEN THAT UNIMPEACHABLE, SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS OF ENGINEERS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO EDITORIALIZATION OR REVISION. THE PRODUCT PROVIDED TO THE AUTHORIZER, IN THIS CASE THE EDC, WOULD BE PRESENTED IN ITS FINAL, SEALED FORM.





IN DECEMBER 2025 AND JANUARY 2026, DALLAS CITY MANAGEMENT INITIATED AND ARRANGED MEETINGS AND SITE VISITS OF FUTURE POTENTIAL CITY HALL SITES (1) BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL WAS BRIEFED ON FINDINGS RELATED TO THE CONDITION OF CITY HALL IN FEBRUARY 2026 AND (2) PRIOR TO BEING GIVEN DIRECTIONS TO DO SO.

THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS SELECTED BY CITY MANAGEMENT FOR SITE TOURS DID NOT INCLUDE ANY MEMBERS WHO WERE QUESTIONING THE CONDITION OF CITY HALL.





NOTABLY, COMMUNICATIONS DURING THIS SAME TIME PERIOD DO NOT SHOW DIRECTIVES OR GRAVE CONCERN FROM CITY MANAGEMENT BETWEEN STAFF OR OTHERS TO REVIEW OR ACT ON THE ALLEGED DIRE STATE OF CITY HALL.

INSTEAD, THE INTERNAL CITY STAFF COMMUNICATIONS DEMONSTRATED THE GOAL WAS AND HAS BEEN TO FREE UP THE CITY HALL LAND FOR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES.



THE TOTALITY OF CIRCUMSTANCES IS, AT BEST, SUSPICIOUS. THE UNETHICAL IMPLICATIONS OF THESE COMMUNICATIONS IS WITHOUT QUESTION.

NO CITY COUNCIL ACTION WAS GIVEN TO CITY MANAGEMENT TO “EXPLORE” ANY CHANGE TO CITY HALL, YET THE COMMUNICATIONS DEMONSTRATE CLEAR INTENTION BY CITY MANAGEMENT TO DO SO GOING BACK TO AT LEAST MAY 2025.

I HAVE SHARED THIS INFORMATION AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC CONCERN AND IN THE INTEREST OF TRANSPARENCY WITH DALLAS RESIDENTS SO THAT THEY MAY HAVE AN HONEST LINE INTO THE ACTIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

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