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Bexar County Statement regarding Texas Vista Medical Center

In response to the inaccurate statement from Steward Health Care, Bexar County would like to clarify that staff has not received a formal proposal from Steward Health Care or Texas Vista Medical Center (TVMC).

On January 20, 2023, County staff met with Jon Turton, President of TVMC and TVMC Medical Director, Dr. Jason Miller to discuss the financial challenges of the hospital.

All discussions with TVMC were limited to verbal communications. Mr Turton informed Bexar County staff that the hospital would need a bail out of approximately \$5 to \$10 million of taxpayer dollars to sustain Texas Vista Medical Center, a for-profit, physician-led private company.

Mr. Turton assured Bexar County staff that, to his knowledge, TVMC was not closing. He stated that the parent health system, Steward Health, was facing challenges and he had been instructed to limit his communications with local entities pending some resolution to these challenges.

Since this conversation took place, Steward Health has not attempted to communicate with Bexar County, and staff has not been asked to vet any formal proposal to assume control of TVMC.

Bexar County stands committed to our community and ensuring that residents have access to healthcare as evidenced by the commitment of \$30 million to University Health for the construction of a state-of-the-art community hospital to serve the residents of southern Bexar and the community at-large.

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