

## Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: March 11, 2024

Subject: Allina Mercy Hospital - Unity Campus service changes

Councilmember Moran asked that this item be placed on the work session agenda for discussion.

Allina Health has announced service delivery changes within the Mercy Hospital campuses. The announced changes are as follows:

- All intensive care units will be located at Mercy Hospital (Coon Rapids).
- All surgeries will take place at Mercy Hospital (Coon Rapids), and the campus will increase surgical capacity.
  - The changes to surgical services will impact some ambulatory services at Mercy Hospital – Unity Campus (Fridley) which will be repositioned to other locations in the system.
- Inpatient pediatric beds will no longer be available at Mercy Hospital (Coon Rapids).
  - o The low-census inpatient pediatric unit will reposition to become adult beds.
  - We will work with our provider partners in the community to ensure care pathways.

Allina will continue to focus on mental health and addiction services at the Unity Campus.

Mayor Nelson learned of this change a couple of weeks ago. He directed a letter be sent to Allina (included in the packet) expressing the City's concerns about the change. Mayor Nelson and I will be meeting with Mercy Hospital President Michael Johnston virtually on Tuesday, March 19 at 3:30pm to learn more about these changes and to express our support for maintaining Unity Campus as a community hospital for the North Metro area.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.