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TO: Mayor, City Council

FROM: Councilmember Tammy Pust

SUBJECT: Council Priorities **DATE:** February 3, 2011

I apologize that I will not be in attendance and able to contribute to our continued discussions regarding Council priorities at the February 7, 2011 meeting. My presence is required in Montana at a family funeral.

I have provided below my thoughts on the issues that should guide the Council's work – over the next two years. Where appropriate, I have also referenced my support for specific suggestions made by the Department heads last week, as highlighted in pink. I have taken as a given that they will all be guided to accomplish the priorities they identified as "must dos", and so have not included any of those items in my rankings. Instead, I have focused my attention on identifying which of their "ought to do" priorities should in fact be reprioritized to become "must dos" as well.

Must Do's

- Strengthen Financial Stability of City Budget System
 - o Adopt a Two –Year/Biennial Budget
 - Build Regional Partnerships to Reduce Costs and Improve/Maintain Public Services
 - [CD] Pursue partnerships with surrounding municipalities for shared service opportunities of the Department's services.
 - [CD] Allow for field data entry and external access to the network by inspection staff.
 - [PD] Enter into a financial partnership with Rosedale and/or other merchants to fund an additional patrol officer dedicated to those retail areas
 - [FD] Evaluate current and future opportunities for service improvements and cost recovery
 - [FD] Continue to pursue opportunities for sharing of services with surrounding fire departments
 - [FIN] Reallocate resources based on measured performance results and citizen satisfaction.
 - [Admin] Identify performance measurements that reflect the needs and wants of the community

• Increase and Improve Public Transit Options in Roseville

- o Resurrect NorthEast Corridor Planning in Coordination with Metropolitan Council
- Improve Walkability of Neighborhoods By Continuous Additions of Trails and Sidewalks

• Improve Quality of Housing

- Enact Licensure and Inspection of Multi-Family Rental Properties (4+ units)
- o [CD]Aggressively deal with problem multi-family properties in partnership with the Police Department
- o [PD] Continue and possibly expand the Department's New American Forums in cooperation with the Human Rights Committee and the Fire Department

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Model Better Environmental Stewardship

- Support Energy Audit Programs for Residential Properties and Expand Focus to Commercial Properties
- o [PR] Expand Campus Geothermal System
- o [CD] Continue to modify and update City Code to be in compliance with Comprehensive Plan ... Shoreland Ordinance
- o [PW] Develop Traffic Management and Overhead Electric Undergrounding Policy