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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: City Manager Bill Bridgeo
RE: Administrative Report
DATE: February 10, 2014

Meetings:

There will be a meeting of the Planning Board on Tuesday, February 11th beginning at 7pm. An agenda is included in Council Packets.

An Informational Meeting of the City Council will be held in Council Chambers beginning at 6:30pm on Thursday, February 13, 2014. An agenda is included in Council Packets.

Monday, February 17, 2014 is a City Holiday; City Center will be closed that day.

Other Items:

You will note an agenda item for Thursday dealing with the realignment of the City's four voting wards. The intention here is to brief Council on the required process (as determined by City Charter and State law) and to recommend that a committee comprised of the four ward councilors be appointed by Mayor Stokes to work with City staff and craft a final recommendation for the full Council to adopt.

Also note the item on the agenda related to the Mount Vernon Avenue reconstruction project. Senator Katz and Representative Pouliot have formally requested of MDOT Commissioner David Bernhardt that he attend the meeting and discuss the latest projected schedule for the project (which we were disappointed to learn last week has been pushed off effectively until 2015) and related considerations of importance to the City.

I had a chance to do some snow-shoeing at the Bond Brook recreation area on Saturday. I continue to marvel at the terrific asset we have there and the continued dedication of the cadre of volunteers that (in conjunction with our Parks staff) do so much to keep it maintained. It's always hard to fathom that such a pristine resource is right here in the heart of the City.

Finally, in your packet is a summary of all City bond issuances for the past 25 years as well as a detailed breakdown. Councilor O'Brien requested this material for reference as you deliberate on issues related to capital projects.

C: Department and Bureau Directors
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