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MEMORANDUM

To: Houghton Community Council
From: Nancy Cox, Development Review Manager
Date: March 15, 2010
Subject: FOLLOW-UP FROM THE JOINT MEETING WITH THE CITY COUNCIL

The HCC met with City Council at a joint meeting on February 16, 2010. The primary discussion centered on enhancing communications between the two groups. Some of the ideas I noted are:

- Scheduling regular joint meetings with the City Council
- Having direct communication with the City Council
- Speaking during "Items from the Audience"
- Looking for areas for compromise not evident in the procedures
- Using the telephone more for communicating
- Involving the Planning Commission in the discussions
- Holding more joint meetings
- Utilizing subcommittees with representatives from both groups on thorny issues
- Talking about interests rather than positions

At your meeting on March 22 we can look at options to the existing "Planning Review Procedures" found in the HCC Orientation Manual. Once the HCC has agreed on a course of action, we can take it to the Planning Commission (if necessary) and City Council for their review.

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