



March 3, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council Members
CC: Chief Falco, Director Alicea, State Fiscal Monitor Tripodi
FR: Mayor Zimmer *DJ*
RE: Update on Communications Regarding Police Audit

In light of the Police Audit, I asked Chief Falco and Director Alicea for their recommendations regarding the following:

1. Civilianization of the Hoboken Police Dept.
2. Establishing a system of hiring Special Police officers to reduce event costs.
3. Improvement of Fleet maintenance management.
4. Staffing levels.

Their responses to my written request are enclosed for your review, and as public documents, their responses will be posted on the City's web site today.

I am in the process of evaluating the serious issues raised by the Police Audit to determine the best course of action for our City. It is important that these decisions be made thoughtfully and expeditiously.

As this process moves forward, I welcome any input that individual Council members, the Public Safety Committee, or the Council as a whole may wish to provide.

Fire Audit: The request for qualifications for a firm or individual consultant to conduct an audit of our Fire Dept. is under final Legal review and will be posted tomorrow.

Thank you and best regards.