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Subject: Agenda item for Feb. 6th Council Meeting

Dear Colleagues:

For your advance information, I have requested the following item be placed on our Feb. 6th agenda:

DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER FORMATION OF A BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE HOW THE CITY CAN TAKE A GREATER ROLE IN HELPING THE P.U.S.D. MEET THE EXPECTATIONS OF OUR COMMON CONSTITUENCIES: RESIDENTS, PARENTS, STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES, THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

Following are the main ideas that I am prepared to put forth on Monday evening to start the discussion:

- Establishment of a standing City PUSD body to help citizens understand the District's short and long range plans – both financial and operational, together with supporting data, prior to final approval by the Board of Education.
- Identification of areas where the City might provide additional support to the District beyond current efforts; where PUSD and City facilities/fields might be better utilized to serve our children and youth; and where work force development efforts can be improved to reach more of our high school and post-high school students.
- 3. Development of strategies to immediately address the continuing loss of students from the District; this means better understanding of the reasons behind this attrition, the goal being to find ways to make our schools more attractive to our constituents.
- 4. Amendment of the City Charter to provide for a significant City representation on the Board of Education.

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