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Before we notified C.T. Hsu that we were moving forward to our second choice, he notified us that the \$1,250,000 inclusive fees for the 2 fire Stations and the Police Dept was acceptable. Since he had been notified that we had passed over him, I would like to bring back a full service contract for your consideration. We have made it extremely clear that there is no more money other than the amount we have in the bond issue to finance the fire stations and police facilities. It is important for us to get as much facility as possible for the bond money available.

As we begin our preparation for our next legislative program, we need to include a request for funds for the halifax hospital-city fire station facilities as a demo project. Last spring, Sean Pittman and I had discussion with members of the legislative delegation about the concept. The potential is there but it will require a lot of work and time. They liked the concept of partnerships with the hospital. It is not a slam dunk for funding.

We will need to have a discussion with halifax. We think we will need about \$2 to \$3 million to properly fund the proto-type facility.

This will require us to be able to tell a good story. It will require us to be able to demonstrate that this concept would work in other communities.

We will need to be prepared to move quickly early in November to work with our delegation. That means immediately after the election.

Because we will be having staff responsibility changes occurring before the legislative session, I will be recommending that we use a small portion of our carry over funds to continue funding our legislative advocacy in Tallahassee. The issues this year that are proposed by both parties need to be actively tracked and pursued. This year may be an all out attack on cities from many quarters. The League of Cities can not tell our story like our advocate and ourselves. I expect we will be walking the halls

Ken

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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld.