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**Subject:** Meeting this morning  
**Attachments:** Meeting with Suzanne November 12.docx

Suzanne:

I have attached my list of items for discussion with you. See you at 9 am.

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#### ++++Weekly Critical Issues —November 12, 2015

- **Allen Park**—Status of bond tender.
- **Benton Harbor**— I will be scheduling a meeting with Wayne, mayor elect and Darwin. Are we going to revise the RTAB evaluation for Benton Harbor?
- **Ecorse** – Wayne should have an easier time to manage now with the election results. Status of their five year financial plan review. We should move forward on reducing scope of RTAB authorities. One RTAB member is going to be appointed (Joan Brophy).
- **Flint** – Meeting in Flint with the new mayor and Natasha next week. Telephone call with Natasha yesterday. City still has not added additional phosphate at water plant hopefully by Thanksgiving. City has reinstituted their water shutoff program which help to increase revenues. Lead issue was known to City, DEQ, and EPA in April. Waiting on word from Carla on the latest FOIA request.
- **Hamtramck**- the interim Police Chief will be appointed as the Police Chief. Phase 3 of the pension study can has begun. Possible election irregularities may result in an investigation. Katrina wants to purchase DPW equipment for in-house snow removal.
- **Highland Park**-The Judge has ordered a meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> to reach a possible settlement in the DWSD lawsuit. Cathy has indicated that the City has over 500 aged payables including a DTE bill of \$200K for the water pumping station. The water pumping station needs approximately \$250K of repairs. The City has successfully reduced their OPEB costs to the prescribed level stated in the Plan of Adjustment. The City has purchased new water meters and will be installing them. There is a problem with the cell towers for the new meter read system. A conference call on Tuesday has been scheduled with Cathy to discuss the way forward.
- **Lincoln Park**-His exit will be December 18th. I have a revised draft EM Final Order that will be reviewed by the AG's office early next week. We are hoping to find several RTAB candidates soon. E-Loan may be necessary? I have a call with MERS today to discuss pension contribution options. MSHDA meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **Inkster**- Mark indicated that some of the new council members may be difficult. Millages for senior and parks were approved by voters. Senior services should see an improvement due to additional funding. A meeting with the new mayor and Mark will be scheduled.
- **Pontiac**- the Mayor wants to hire an executive secretary. I am planning to visit Pontiac to meet with the Mayor, Joe, and Jane. The Mayor would like to do a study of the Phoenix Center. Problem with the GERS Board financial advisor. Six million may be in jeopardy. Mr. Bernstein may be the new RTAB member.
- **River Rouge**—Drew's memo on the exit.
- **Royal Oak Township**- We may receive a proposal from Oak Park for police service. We have received a draft 2016 budget from Robert. Montgomery and Co. the accounting firm has submitted an invoice for \$17,000. The cash flow is nearly completed. Meeting with MSHDA on housing development discussion soon. Potential judgement against Township for \$100,000.