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To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item Number 03-98, regarding MDC skating rinks and swimming pools, please be advised of the following:

After a meeting at the Simoni Skating Rink on Gore Street, with multiple State and Local officials coordinated by Senator Travaglini's Office, a tour of the rink occurred.

The current status is that I am awaiting an analysis of 5-years worth of expenditure and revenue reports on the rink, along with any capital needs analysis for this facility.

It is important to note that the potential disposition of the rink is only as a long-term lease, and not the ownership of real property. Given the multiple capital needs of the City, I need to know the potential liability for such a lease and whether revenues could realistically support these expenditures without raising ice time rentals to a rate that would discourage use.

The same issues need to be answered as to swimming pools.

If all of these issues can be resolved, I will continue discussions with the Commonwealth regarding such a lease.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature of Robert W. Healy in black ink, written over the typed name.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Consent Agenda #2

Transmitting communication from
Robert W. Healy, City Manager,
relative to **Awaiting Report Item
Number 03-98**, regarding MDC
skating rinks and swimming pools.

In City Council December 8, 2003

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