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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ROBERT W. HEALY
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August 2, 1982

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With respect to Awaiting Report Item No. 15 regarding the role of City Councils and Mayors in the school budget process, the communication from the Executive Office of Communities and Development is self-explanatory.

Briefly, the Leominster case upheld the Mayor's (City Manager's) right to cut the school budget prior to submitting it to the City Council. This applies to the bottom line total only, not individual line items.

The Boston case holds that multi-year collective bargaining agreements are enforceable and that once the City Council appropriates the money for the first year of the contract, it must appropriate sums sufficient in future years' budgets to honor multi-year collective bargaining agreements.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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the School Budget process.

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