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Council Members,

I am forwarding you this email from Sam Mousa sent on Thursday, March 15th after the meeting of the Special Committee on the Potential Sale of JEA.

Please do not respond to this email.

Thank you,

Nikki Evans

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From: Mousa, Sam
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2018 6:54 PM
To: Crescimbeni, John
Cc: Hughes, Brian - Mayor's Office Chief of Staff; Weinstein, Michael; Oliver, Marsha; Conway, Sharyn; Gabriel, Jason
Subject: Strategic Initiatives Financial Advisory Services

Councilman Crescimbeni:

I'm sorry you were unable to hear my answers this afternoon to the proposed questions I was previously asked by you to answer, reference subject matter. Notwithstanding, I desire to respond herein to the questions as I understood them previously from you.

Question 1: What is the current status of the RFP for the December 20, 2017, RFP for Strategic Initiatives Financial Services?

Response: The RFP process is complete. No contract exists, and no contract encumbrance or contract expenditures have occurred. In fact, no additional city funds of any amount were expended on this process.

Question 2: Would the Administration consider holding in abeyance any further action on the subject RFP, pending the conclusion of work of the City Council Special Committee on the Potential Sale of the JEA?

Response: As previously advised in writing, the subject RFP authorized by the Administration had nothing to do with the potential sale of the JEA. The Administration was not charged by the JEA Board to pursue any activity related to the potential sale of the JEA, but rather the charge by the JEA Board was directed to JEA staff. The Administration does not pursue actions directed by the JEA Board. Again as previously stated, the RFP was developed for a variety of other city infrastructure review, analysis and evaluation by qualified consultants in the event the Administration desired to pursue same on any proposal which may have been received by parties interested in privatization, Public/Private Partnerships or other facility management proposals for city infrastructure. The Executive Branch has the authority, duty and responsibility to evaluate any all such proposals it deems appropriate and to solicit the need of consultants utilizing lawfully appropriated funds. Therefore, since the RFP was not developed for the Potential Sale of the JEA, it will not be utilized by the Administration for any JEA activity. However, the RFP may be utilized in the future for any other city infrastructure evaluation as the Executive Branch sees fit to possibly do so.

I anticipate these responses satisfying your questions. Please let me know if you desire to further discuss and/or if I have misunderstood your questions.

Regards,

Sam

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