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TO: Council President  
City Councilmembers  
Council Appointees

FROM: Eric Norenberg

SUBJECT: City Manager's Update

Following are updates on various topics for your information. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!

### **Police Department**

- Outstanding Audit Results: The Oberlin Police Department participates in the Law Enforcement Automated Data System (LEADS) to access law enforcement information such as motor vehicle records, driver's license records, and criminal histories. Because of the security needs related to such data, the state audits agencies, like OPD, that have access to that data. This week, Chief Miller received a report of the recent audit. He and I are pleased to report that once again, the Oberlin Police Department received an "error free audit." The staff members of the department, in particular Tamara Stanley and Susan Jackson, are to be commended for their professional management of this important law enforcement tool.

### **OMLPS**

- RFP Released: This week the Law Director reviewed the draft RFP seeking up to 12 MW of baseload power from renewable sources. On November 2, Steve Dupee will release the RFP with a due date of December 2.
- Oberlin Elected to OMEA Board of Directors and AMP Board of Directors: The American Municipal Power and Ohio Municipal Electric Association annual meetings were held this week. Oberlin retained its seat on the AMP Board of Directors and Steve Dupee was elected Vice Chair of the AMP Board. In addition, the OMEA membership voted to elect the City of Oberlin to the OMEA Board of Directors. The City will need to designate an elected official to be our OMEA board representative in early December. The first OMEA board meeting for that representative will be in December.

### **City Manager's Office**

- Regional Prosperity Initiative Status Report: For more than two years, leaders across Northeast Ohio have been working to develop a better way to govern, to collaborate, to benefit from our collective resources and to improve the regional economy. Once implemented, the Regional Prosperity Initiative (RPI) intends to provide the structure for coordinated, regional land use planning and "new growth" tax base sharing in the 16-county Northeast Ohio region. Recently, a status report (attached) on RPI was presented to a meeting of the Northeast Ohio Mayors and City Managers Association.
- Safe Routes to School: Oberlin City Schools has completed the Sections 1-9 of the Safe Routes to School Travel Plan application (attached). This next step in the process was to be submitted to ODOT this week. Once ODOT approves this document, the next step will be to work with an ODOT engineer to develop infrastructure recommendations. Assistant Superintendent John Schroth will make a brief presentation on this effort at the November 16 City Council meeting. As the document is lengthy, I felt it would be helpful to have additional time to review.