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To: Daniel Healey, City Clerk  
Tim Cummings, Director, Administrative Services  
John Griffin, Chief Financial Officer  
Steve Bolton, Corporation Counsel  
Bobbie Bagley, Director, Public Health and Community Services  
Matt Sullivan, Director, Community Development  
Tim Cummings, Director, Economic Development  
Jennifer McCormack, Director, Library  
Kevin Rourke, Chief of Police  
Steve Buxton, Chief, Nashua Fire Rescue  
Lisa Fauteux, Director, Public Works  
Dr. Mario Andrade, Superintendent of Public Schools  
Emily Martuscello, Director, Emergency Management

CC: Kevin Burgess, Chairman, Board of Fire Commissioners  
James Tollner, Chairman, Board of Police Commissioners  
Linda Laflamme, Chairman, Board of Library Trustees  
Jennifer Bishop, President, Board of Education

Re: FY2024 Budget Preparation

Dear Directors, Chairmen, and Commissioners,

We continue to face budgetary pressures in wages, benefits, and the purchase of other goods and services necessary to operate the City efficiently and effectively.

Our residential homeowners have been significantly impacted by the 2022 state-mandated revaluation of all properties. The revaluation resulted in residential property values increasing by a larger percentage than commercial properties, creating a shift in the property tax burden from commercial to residential taxpayers. In addition, certain residential properties increased by a larger percentage than the average home, creating an additional shift in the tax burden to these residential taxpayers.

Given these challenges, we need to control costs and deliver services at a reasonable cost to our taxpayers. Therefore, I am requesting that we work together and that you present your respective proposed FY2024 Budget with an increase of no more than **3.0%**.

Thank you in advance for your time and cooperation in developing your respective FY2024 proposed budgets.

Sincerely,

Jim Donchess  
Mayor, City of Nashua

cc: Board of Aldermen