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To: Kevin Murphy  
City Manager

From: William Taylor  
Superintendent of Police

Date: August 29, 2017

Re: Council Request

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***9.2 7/11/17 C. Mercier - Request City Manager have Proper Department Address the Deplorable Conditions in the Detention Center at the Lowell Police Department.***

In response to this motion, I immediately met with the union to discuss any concerns. I was informed that there were no concerns that had been brought forward to the union's attention. However, as in other parts of the facility that are utilized in a 24/7 capacity, there are routine maintenance issues that are always necessary due to normal wear and tear. I requested that the union work with the employees to compile a list of items that might require maintenance attention. Once this information was received, I assigned Officer Mark Trudel to review and work with the Department of Public Works staff to schedule the maintenance work. It is important to note that this area is subject to routine inspection by state officials in relation to the housing of prisoners. Any items of note identified during the inspection are immediately addressed.

Items of note in this current review include new paint, floor repair, the repair or replacement of lockers for prisoner property and the repair or replacement of a bathroom sink. The repair work has been listed on the DPW schedule and new items will be purchased as necessary.