

Office of Mayor Miro Weinberger

MEMORANDUM

To:

City Council

From:

Mayor Miro Weinberger

Re:

UVM Payment for Services

Date:

May 30, 2013

In consultation with Interim CAO Paul Sisson, I am recommending that the City Council votes to extend our Payment for Services agreement with the University of Vermont for one more year. Please note that last Thursday the Board of Finance voted 4-0 to approve this extension.

As is the case with the 2007 Letter of Agreement and the current extension we are operating under, this extension will focus on financial payment for services provided to UVM by the City.

While it is important that we not conflate financial matters with quality of life and housing issues, it is a good time to check in on the status of our other agreements with UVM, both formal and informal, and to go over progress we have made in the past year in cooperation with the University.

I have been in touch with Councilor Kevin Worden, the Chair of the Institutions and Human Resources Policy Committee (IHRPC) of the City Council, about making a report to the committee on these quality of life and housing issues and look forward to presenting with staff within the next month. I look forward to engaging on these issues with the Council over the course of the next year.

Thank you for your consideration.