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TO: Judy Wyers, Presiding Officer
FROM: Rena Cusma, Executive Officer *[Signature]*
SUBJECT: Council Action Regarding AMCO Building

At the Metro Council meeting of Thursday, December 23 by a vote of 11 to 2, the council declined to adopt Resolution No. 93-1888. The effect of the resolution would have been to authorize the extension of Metro's lease of the AMCO Building in order to sub lease space to prospective tenants. Those actions have now been eliminated from further consideration by the council. That much is clear.

What is less clear is just what further instructions have been--or will be--transmitted to the executive branch. Informally and to the best of my knowledge, the council has signalled its willingness to allow Metropolitan Family Services to occupy the building at no or little cost until such time as that agency may be able to locate, prepare and move to more permanent quarters.

Subsequent conversations with Metropolitan Family Services tell us that the agency must consult with the owner of their present location as well as operators of other buildings they have explored to determine what is realistic and best for them under the present circumstances. In all probability, that review will require at least the remainder of the year to complete before they are able to tell Metro if and under what circumstances they may wish to accept the council offer of temporary space.

Because council "instructions" were informal, loosely structured and capable of a variety of interpretations, I request that the council prepare and place on the agenda for its meeting of January 13, 1994 a resolution describing the actions the administration is authorized to take with respect to the AMCO building, its present tenants, Metropolitan Family Services, and other affected parties.

To assist in this process, the administration will attempt to identify costs and ramifications of the short term move-in alternative which at the moment appear to reflect the sentiments expressed by councilors at the December 23rd meeting. We shall also catalog related questions that arise out of the council's decision.

cc: Metro Council