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Regarding the Fall 2020 Barnes RFP:

To most respect the capacity and preparation that nonprofits devote to the Barnes applications, the deadline for the Fall 2020 RFP will be pushed back from October 12, 2020 to January 15, 2021.

Mayor Cooper is unwavering in his commitment to the Barnes Fund and to affordable housing. However, any budget expenditures rely on having necessary and planned revenues. The proposed referendum would eliminate essential revenues and deny Metro Nashville the opportunity to invest in much needed affordable housing and the crucial programs that support housing stability for all Nashvillians.

Mayor Cooper is committed to moving this RFP forward as soon as the necessary revenue is finalized.

Sincerely,

*Hannah R. Davis*

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Director of Housing Programs