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MEMORANDUM

April 8, 2026

To: Kris Nicholl & Dustin Fratto

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From: Tracy Scott Cowdell

Subject: *Legal Review: Proposal for New Sandy City Police Department Public Safety Headquarters*

I have reviewed the proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum regarding the contemplated feasibility analysis and potential general obligation bond process for a new Public Safety Headquarters.

Based upon that review, I do not identify any legal concerns with the proposed process as outlined. The approach appropriately contemplates a phased progression, beginning with a feasibility analysis and needs assessment, followed by subsequent policy determinations and, if applicable, the initiation of formal bond proceedings. This sequencing is consistent with generally accepted municipal practice and provides a prudent framework for informed decision making by the Council.

I further note that the proposed timeline and structure allow for the development of a sufficient factual and financial record prior to any commitment to a bond election. This is advisable from both a legal and governance perspective, particularly considering the statutory and procedural requirements attendant to general obligation bonds.

As the City moves forward, it would be appropriate to ensure that bond counsel is engaged at a point in the process that allows for meaningful input regarding timing, structure, and compliance with applicable legal requirements. Early coordination of that nature tends to facilitate a more efficient process and reduces the likelihood of later adjustments.

Subject to the foregoing observations, I have no objections to the process as currently proposed.