CITY OF BETHLEHEM INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

SUBJECT: Officer Jeffrey Rogers

TO: Members of City Council

FROM: John F. Spirk, Jr., Esq., City Solicitor

DATE: August 10, 2011

As you may be aware, in December of 2010, Officer Jeffrey Rogers accidentally discharged his firearm into the ceiling of the police locker room within City Hall. Officer Rogers then lied about his involvement in the incident to fellow officers and supervisors, and attempted to cover up his involvement. As a result of this incident, the Commissioner is recommending termination. Pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. §39408, any discipline involving the recommendation of termination must be brought before City Council for notice and a hearing. At the hearing before City Council the employee may be represented by counsel. Attorney Donald Russo is representing Officer Rogers. Please take the necessary steps to schedule the hearing accordingly. A formal and more detailed specification of charges will be forthcoming following the conclusion of investigations by other agencies.

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