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Please public comment for the meeting and budget hearing on Tuesday.

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Commissioners,

This memo is relative to your budget hearing. Historically, the BOC has approached the budget process in an exemplary manner, resulting in one of the lowest county tax rates in Michigan. The process is lengthy and includes input from county departments and the public. While I have not reviewed each line item, I assume from the Enterprise coverage that the process has played out as before with one notable exception. This exception is the proposal to create two new departments without a plan. Will the employees working under the Administrator and Clerk, who currently cover the assignments, financial management and human resources, be reassigned to these new departments, receive a salary reduction, or be laid off? It seems as if there is agreement that we have been handling the tasks in a professional manner with no problems.

I suggest that this proposal be delayed one year until both the Administrator and Clerk create a plan that reflects the need and potential transition of leadership.

Sincerely,

Mary Tonneberger

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