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City Manager Mark Miller
City Attorney Lori Bluhm

From: Mayor Ethan Baker

Subject: State of the City 2021

My fellow Troy City Council Members, City Manager Miller, and City Attorney Bluhm:

I am excited to announce I am going to resume the practice of providing a State of the City Address ("SOTC") for the residents and businesses of Troy. My first SOTC will be in the evening on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, with an official start time to be determined.

This will be a partnership between the City of Troy and the Troy Chamber of Commerce. I have been working with Tara Tomcsik-Husak, President and CEO of the Troy Chamber and Cindy Stewart, Community Affairs Director for the City of Troy for the planning and execution of this community event. Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, we are planning to have an outdoor, in person event, but will be fully prepared to have it be primarily a virtual event, if necessary. It is my hope that you all will be able to attend in person, subject to safety precautions and any restrictions coming from the state government, and I also recognize we will have to play it by ear.

The SOTC will address my first 18 months as Mayor of the City of Troy and will discuss the city's plans for FY 2021/22. It is my expectation that we will have approved our FY 2021/22 Budget just prior to this SOTC, which will give a good opportunity to discuss our upcoming priorities. Upon being elected Mayor, I had intended to resume the SOTC tradition in 2020, but because of Covid-19, it felt best to wait until this year.

Cindy, Tara, and I have already been working on the plans for this SOTC and we will ensure it is a great representation of our wonderful city. I look forward to working with each of you to enhance the SOTC address and the presentation of our priorities.