MEMORANDUM

TO:        Dr. Joneigh Khaldun, Director and Health Officer Detroit Health Department
THROUGH:  Council President Brenda Jones
FROM:      Council President Pro Tempore Mary Sheffield
DATE:      March 14, 2019
RE:        Detroit Health Department Budget Hearing

1) Does the increase in operational expenses for Animal Control include raising the salary for the Animal Control officer to make them more competitive with other neighboring communities? How many Animal Control officers are needed to address the shortfall?

2) The demolition program has had issues with contractors using contaminated backfill. Is the Health Department responsible for testing the residents that live near a parcel that was found to have contaminated backfill? What role will the Health Department play in protecting the public’s health once the demolition program is 100% funded by the city’s general fund?

3) With the recent emissions issue that we have had in regard to the Marathon Oil Refinery, does the Health Department follow up with residents to address their concerns or to conduct testing? What does the Health Department do with the information that is received from any emissions monitoring that is taking place?

4) Does the Health Department have any plans to seek other grant funding beyond FY19 to address lead contamination and remediation?

Cc:        Honorable Colleagues
Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk