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Good afternoon Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing with a brief update on our operational plan for the City's cold weather response this evening.

Given the duration of the cold weather and the number of days that the various community centres have been open overnight as warming centres, Parks is encountering staffing constraints and other challenges maintaining these extraordinary 24-hour operations. As a result of these capacity constraints, Creekside Community Centre will not be hosting a warming centre as of this evening, although the warming centres at West End Community Centre and Britannia Community Centre will be open tonight. Community Services is also making plans to utilize Carnegie Centre as an alternative warming centre, starting Tuesday night.

We are communicating broadly regarding the closure of the warming centre at Creekside and will have Outreach staff and VPD officers there until 2am to assist people who may arrive at that location. As necessary, staff will be facilitating taxi rides for individuals to travel to another warming centre or available shelter spaces.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Best,  
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