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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Legal and Finance Committee

FROM:

Mayor Sam Kooiker

DATE:

February 29, 2012

SUBJECT:

Madison Cabin move from Halley Park to Journey Museum

PURPOSE:

The 1876 Madison cabin has been in its current location in Halley Park since 1926. On 8/4/2008, the City Council authorized moving the cabin to be near the Journey Museum. Although I have had misgivings about moving the cabin in the past, I respect the wishes of the majority of the council.

At this point, my responsibility is to ensure that a solid plan is presented to ensure that the cabin is safely moved. If the cabin needs to be dismantled in order to be moved or if there is forseeable risk to the structure, then we should take a step back and re-evaluate. There have been vandalism issues at the skate park on New York Street in the past, so it is important that the ongoing security of the structure also be evaluated as part of the move.

