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Dear Members of the Salem Historical Commission:

I am writing to give you an update on several items related to Camp Naumkeag and the Pioneer Village.

- Options for preserving one or more structures at Camp Naumkeag. Oudens Ello Architects and Stimson Landscape Architects have developed four options for the re-use of a structure that the City is reviewing.
- Consultation with the Massachusetts Historic Commission. The Mayor has formally requesting a consultation concerning the proposed relocation of the Pioneer Village. Attached is the letter and Project Notification Form which was submitted.
- Structural review and approach to relocation of Pioneer Village. The structural engineer has inspected the Pioneer Village structures and believes that the structures can be moved, either in whole or in panels. Because of the tree cover at the current site and the challenges of moving structures under power lines and on city streets, he is recommending that the structures be moved by barge across Salem Sound. We will share his report with you once the draft is complete.
- The City is also in the process of developing the plan for interpretation at both sites and a business plan for Pioneer Village in the proposed location.

We request an opportunity to return to the Commission with a more detailed report in the coming months.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Trish O'Brien", is written over a horizontal line.

Trish O'Brien
Superintendent

Attachment: Project Notification Form

Cc: Patricia Kelleher, Planning Department
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