

Reply to Common Council File No. 030455

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 030455 contains a resolution amending the city's prevailing wage rate schedule for various building and construction trade categories. Adoption of this resolution will amend the minimum rates of pay and fringe benefits, per the attached schedule, for various workers employed by the private construction industry, but engaged in public works contracts with the City of Milwaukee. The rates of pay will be incorporated into the City's Prevailing Wages Resolution.

By special order from the State of Wisconsin- Department of Workforce Development, the city is exempt from applying for a special wage determination for each construction project as long as the city periodically adopts state-provided wage schedules into its contract wage scale (per letters dated July 3, 2003 and July 11, 2003).

The fiscal impact of this file is unknown. It will depend on the nature of the construction projects undertaken in 2003 and the percentage increase in wages and benefits.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE THIS AMENDMENT THAT MAINTAINS CITY COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE PREVAILING WAGE LAW.


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