City of Milwaukee
Budget and Management
Intra-Office Memo

To: **Common Council Members**
Mark Nicolini, Budget and Management Director

From: Dennis Yaccarino, Budget and Policy Manager-Senior

Date: November 6, 2008

Subject: 2009 Towing and Storage Fees

The following provides information requested by the Finance and Personnel Committee at the November 5 budget hearing on the 2009 towing and storage fees.

You requested that our office take another look at the towing and storage fees in the parking fund. Initial information from the parking division indicated that we were currently recovering the cost of each tow and storage. We have reviewed the data and are in agreement with their analysis. The spreadsheet containing the costing information is attached. The spreadsheet can be e-mailed to you if you wish to make any of your own assumptions.

The cost is indicated to be approximately $135. The new fees would be $165. Revenue would exceed costs.

If you have additional questions, please contact me.

Cc: Marianne Walsh, Fiscal Staff

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Expenditures		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2008 YTD
Vehicles Towed		31,646		32,541		29,728		29,333		26,799		31,659		36,273		17,043
Labor Costs	$	1,074,074	$	1,102,739	$	1,140,267	$	1,173,953	$	1,236,620	$	1,305,348	$	1,410,521	$	777,459
Towing Costs	$	1,848,660	$	1,839,439	$	1,693,283	$	1,758,737	$	1,784,009	$	2,279,536	$	2,670,617	$	1,287,085
General Operating	$	1,212,817	$	1,235,518	$	1,014,710	$	795,383	$	845,549	$	717,061	$	809,159	$	279,401
Cost per vehicle	$	131	$	128	$	129	$	127	$	141	$	136	$	135	$	138
TOTALS	$	4,135,551	$	4,177,696	$	3,848,260	$	3,728,073	$	3,778,540	$	4,301,945	$	4,890,297	$	2,343,945

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 YTD
cost/vehicle	$130.68	$128.38	$129.45	$127.09	$141.00	$135.88	$134.82	$137.53

7 yr avg. $132.47

Cost of Tow and 2
days storage $135.00

2009 Tows   34,000
75% Retrieval   25,500

$10 Towing Fee $255,000

2 days of storage   51,000

$10 Storage Fee $510,000

Both Fee Increases $765,000