Reply to Common Council File No. 141683 From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 141683 is a resolution to authorize the recognition of revenue from chargebacks to settle a claim through remission of taxes.

The Board of Review has decreased assessments based on a claim made by CVS. The settlement of the claim requires the city to pay back \$815,273.53. Payments for such claims are usually made from the Remission of Taxes Fund account (0001-9900-0001-S163-006300). However, the current balance in the account is insufficient to cover the full amount of the claim.

When assessments are decreased, the city refunds portions of taxes paid. The State of Wisconsin, Department of Revenue then directs taxing jurisdictions that have received tax payments based on the original assessed value to reimburse the city for amounts paid back. The amount of the reimbursements for 2014 is sufficient to cover the cost of the claim.

Resolution 141683 asks the Comptroller to recognize the reimbursements as greater than anticipated revenue in order to be expended for the purpose of paying the claim.

**RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT COMMON COUNCIL FILE NUMBER** 141683

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