Reply to Common Council File No. 021031

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 021031 contains a substitute resolution reserving an appropriation of \$590,912.81 from the Common Council Contingent Fund for potential transfer to the Damages and Claims Fund. The recent decision of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the judgement of the trial court in Oconomowoc Residential Programs, Inc., et al. v. City of Milwaukee for housing discrimination. This case created a judgement against the City in the amount of \$590,912.81.

The balance of the Damages and Claims Fund as of November 14, 2002 is \$228,568.14. The Finance and Personnel Committee approved a transfer of \$300,000 at its September 18, 2002 meeting to the Damages and Claims Fund to cover expected small settlements and costs associated with uninsured motorists through the end of 2002. The balance of the Common Council Contingent Fund as of November 14, 2002 is \$3,793,084.81. This transfer would leave a balance of \$3,202,172.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE FILE 021031 CONTAINING A SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION RESERVING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$590,912.81 FROM THE COMMON COUNCIL CONTINGENT FUND FOR THE DAMAGES AND CLAIMS FUND.

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