Reply to Common Council File No. 010112

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 010112 contains a resolution amending the City's prevailing wage rate schedule for building and construction trade categories. The file contains three letters from the Milwaukee Building and Construction Trades Council (MBTC), dated April 20, April 27 and May 4, 2001, updating the wage and fringe benefit rates for various construction trade categories employed in the private construction industry for 2001.

Adoption of this resolution will amend the minimum rates of pay and fringe benefits, per the MBTC letters with Department of Public Works and Employee Relations review, 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, 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.

The fiscal impact of this file is unknown. It will depend on the nature of the construction projects undertaken in 2001 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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