

LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

JUDICIARY & LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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File #021316 is a substitute ordinance changing the number of aldermanic districts from 17 to 15.

Background and Discussion

1. Section 62.08(4), Wis. Stats., permits the adjustment in the number of council member district upon a 2/3 vote by the Common Council.
2. This ordinance, effective with the 2004 spring primary election, changes the number of aldermanic districts from 17 to 15. The data in the attached memo reflects the estimated cost savings for 8 years, beginning with the third Tuesday in April 2004 through the third Tuesday in April 2012.

Fiscal Impact

1. The 2004 savings are 8 ½ months savings (70% of the year) based on the following annual expenses:
 - A. Personnel – Salary and fringes for two aldermen and two legislative assistants is \$274,918.
 - B. Non-personnel – Includes transportation allowance, telephone allowance, cellular phone service, supplies and services for two aldermen is \$80,192.
 - C. Estimated savings for 2004 is $\$274,918 + 80,192 = \$355,110 \times .70 = \$248,577$.
2. The total estimated savings for 2 Common Council terms, 2004 through 2012, (total savings includes an increase of avoided expenditures of 2.75% annually) is \$3,129,883.

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