

*City of Milwaukee  
Common Council  
Finance and Personnel Committee*

**2009 BUDGET  
AMENDMENT PACKET  
PART 6 of 6  
AMENDMENTS #103 - #122**

*October 30 - 31, 2008*

COMMON COUNCIL AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED 2009 EXECUTIVE BUDGET

		BUDGET	LEVY	RATE
2009 PROPOSED EXECUTIVE BUDGET		1,396,259,516	238,405,955	8.113
Agenda Number	TOTALS	1,396,259,516	238,405,955	8.113
		BUDGET	LEVY	RATE
	AMENDMENT DESCRIPTION	EFFECT	EFFECT	EFFECT
1	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Restore portions of the Mayor's preferred budget, allocate \$365,000 for summer youth employment.	7,000,000	0	0.000
2	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Reduce operating expenditures in various city departments by 5%.	(3,133,187)	(3,133,187)	(0.107)
3	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Reduce personnel cost adjustments.	168,850	168,850	0.006
4	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Increase the personnel cost adjustment by 2%.	(6,714,033)	(6,714,033)	(0.228)
5	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Increase the personnel cost adjustment by 1.5%.	(5,035,659)	(5,035,659)	(0.171)
6	VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS - Restore the Mayor's preferred budget.	7,000,000	0	0.000
7	DOA - Eliminate the Homeland Security position.	(40,834)	(40,834)	(0.001)
8	DOA - Eliminate the Grant Compliance Manager position.	(68,306)	(68,306)	(0.002)
9	DOA - Eliminate the Environmental Sustainability Director position.	(4,893)	(4,893)	(0.001)
10	DOA - Eliminate O&M funding for the Environmental Sustainability Director position.	(4,893)	(4,893)	(0.001)
11	DOA - Eliminate O&M funding for the Homeland Security Director position, eliminate position after grant funding is expended.	(40,834)	(40,834)	(0.001)
12	DOA, FIRE, POLICE - Restore the Mayor's preferred budget for Police and Fire, provide \$150,000 for a disparities study.	5,020,000	0	0.000
13	CITY ATTY - Eliminate additional FTE and funding associated with additional services to MPS.	(28,900)	(28,900)	(0.001)
14	SPA - CITY ATTY - Increase Receivership Fund SPA by \$300,000 and require Council approval of expenditures.	300,000	300,000	0.010
15	CCCC - Eliminate Aldermanic Travel Special Fund.	(30,000)	(30,000)	(0.001)
16	CCCC - Reduce Computer Systems Upgrade Special Fund by \$5,000.	(5,000)	(5,000)	(0.001)
17	SPA - CCCC - Eliminate funding for Sister Cities International in the City Memberships SPA.	(1,715)	(1,715)	(0.001)
18	SPA - CCCC - Increase Economic Development Committee Fund by \$50,000, footnote that funds are only to be used for Project Lead The Way activities.	50,000	50,000	0.002
19	SPA - CCCC - Increase Economic Development Committee Fund by \$30,000, footnote that funds are only to be used for Project Lead The Way activities.	30,000	30,000	0.001
20	COMPTROLLER - Eliminate one Administrative Assistant II position in the Administration Division.	(35,574)	(35,574)	(0.001)
21	DCD - Technical corrections to salaries and FTE's.	0	0	0.000
22	DCD - Eliminate positions that are transferred from capital to O&M funding in 2009.	(588,412)	(588,412)	(0.020)
23	DCD - Restore one Geographic Information Technician II position.	43,351	43,351	0.001
24	DCD - Restore one Plan Examiner Specialist position in the Development Center.	55,294	55,294	0.002
25	DCD - Provide \$365,000 for summer youth employment.	365,000	365,000	0.012
26	DCD - Eliminate one unfunded Office Assistant III position.	0	0	0.000
27	DCD - Eliminate the Youth Development Coordinator position.	0	0	0.000
28	SPA - DGD - Increase the City Contribution Bid SPA by \$53,500.	53,500	53,500	0.002
29	CAPITAL - DCD - Eliminate funding for the 809 Broadway Remodeling project.	(388,550)	(8,550)	(0.001)
30	CAPITAL - DCD - Reduce Healthy Neighborhoods Initiative funding by \$70,000.	(71,575)	(1,575)	(0.001)
31	ELECTION COMMISSION - Eliminate funding for facility rental.	(50,000)	(50,000)	(0.002)
32	ERS - Eliminate the withdrawal from the ERS Pension Reserve Fund.	0	5,681,000	0.190
33	DEFERRED COMPENSATION - Reduce General Office Expenses by \$8,000.	(8,000)	0	0.000
34	FIRE - Eliminate funding for 6 passenger vans.	(129,278)	(129,278)	(0.004)
35	FIRE - Eliminate the Fire Public Relations Manager position.	(55,124)	(55,124)	(0.002)
36	FIRE - Restore the 5th firefighter to those ladder companies that are proposed for reduction.	2,201,667	2,201,667	0.075
37	FIRE - Add a 5th firefighter to each Rapid Intervention Team.	489,260	489,260	0.017
38	FIRE - Restore one engine or ladder company and special duty for 5 floating positions as per the Mayor's preferred budget.	1,455,000	1,455,000	0.050
39	FIRE - Restore the 5th firefighter to four ladder companies that are proposed for reduction.	978,518	978,518	0.033
40	FIRE - Eliminate 4 Battalion Chief positions, create 3 Fire Captain-Safety Incident Officers.	(83,196)	(83,196)	(0.003)
41	FIRE - Maintain staffing at 2008 budgeted level.	4,371,536	4,371,536	0.149
42	CAPITAL - FIRE - Eliminate funding for the Fire Repair Shop Design and Construction project.	(255,625)	(5,625)	(0.001)
43	FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION - Eliminate 2 Investigator/Auditor positions.	(108,696)	(108,696)	(0.004)
44	FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION - Eliminate one Investigator/Auditor position.	(54,348)	(54,348)	(0.002)
45	FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION - Eliminate Office Assistant II position.	(26,112)	(26,112)	(0.001)
46	FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION - Eliminate one Research and Policy Analyst position.	(47,840)	(47,840)	(0.002)
47	GRANT & AID, SPA - MUNI COURT - Eliminate tax levy funding for Drivers Licensure and Employment Project SPA, replace with CDBG reprogramming funds.	(75,000)	(75,000)	(0.003)
48	HEALTH, WATER - Restore 0.5 FTE of an Environmental and Disease Control Specialist to be funded by the Water Enterprise Fund.	0	0	0.000

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49	HEALTH, DNS - Transfer all positions and funding for the Health Department's Consumer Environmental Health Division to DNS.	0	0	0.000
50	HEALTH - Reallocate remaining balance from the Municipal Health Services Program to restore various Health Department operations.	0	0	0.000
51	HEALTH - Restore one Clinic Assistant and one Environmental and Disease Control Specialist.	87,457	87,457	0.003
52	HEALTH - Restore 0.5 FTE of an Environmental and Disease Control Specialist.	26,517	26,517	0.001
53	HEALTH - Eliminate the Health Communications Officer position.	(61,000)	(61,000)	(0.002)
54	LIBRARY - Provide \$520,000 to ensure all 12 library branches remain open a minimum of 45 hours per week.	520,000	520,000	0.018
55	LIBRARY - Restore funding as per the Mayor's preferred budget, one Program Assistant II position, and additional hours at 11 neighborhood libraries.	1,217,515	1,217,515	0.041
56	LIBRARY - Reduce Library Materials - Books and Other by 50%.	(602,700)	(602,700)	(0.021)
57	LIBRARY - Eliminate the Library Security Manager position.	(49,709)	(49,709)	(0.002)
58	LIBRARY - Restore funding as per the Mayor's preferred budget, red circle various employees.	526,580	526,580	0.018
59	LIBRARY - Reduce neighborhood library hours by an amount to prevent any closings.	0	0	0.000
60	MAYOR'S OFFICE, CCCC, WSF - Freeze the Mayor's and Common Council members' salaries in 2009.	(19,646)	(19,646)	(0.001)
61	MAYOR - Eliminate one Staff Assistant to the Mayor position.	(43,757)	(43,757)	(0.001)
62	MAYOR - Eliminate two Staff Assistant to the Mayor positions.	(117,757)	(117,757)	(0.004)
63	DNS - Reduce equipment funding for network hardware by \$9,244.	(9,244)	(9,244)	(0.001)
64	DNS - Eliminate the Public Information Coordinator position.	(65,957)	(65,957)	(0.002)
65	DNS - Eliminate two Building Codes Enforcement Supervisor positions.	(114,537)	(114,537)	(0.004)
66	SPA, DNS - Restore the Graffiti Abatement SPA by \$95,000.	95,000	95,000	0.003
67	POLICE - Eliminate the Safety Director and four Safety Specialist Senior positions.	(343,262)	(343,262)	(0.012)
68	POLICE - Eliminate 10 Police Officer FTE's and funding equivalent to those limited duty Officers assigned to monitor surveillance cameras.	(608,517)	(608,517)	(0.021)
69	POLICE, DOA - Eliminate the Safety Director and four Safety Specialist Senior positions in Police, transfer crossing guards to the DOA Homeland Security Division.	(343,262)	(343,262)	(0.012)
70	POLICE - Restore funding for 35 fte's.	2,129,811	2,129,811	0.072
71	POLICE - Restore funding for 56.12 fte's.	3,415,000	3,415,000	0.116
72	POLICE - Eliminate 2 Assistant Chief of Police positions.	(219,214)	(219,214)	(0.007)
73	CAPITAL - POLICE - Eliminate funding for the 4715 W. Vilet St. Renovation project.	(562,375)	(12,375)	(0.001)
74	PORT - Eliminate the Port Marketing Manager and Trade Development Representative Senior positions; create a footnoted Professional Trade Marketing Services special fund.	0	0	0.000
75	PORT - Decrease Other Operating Services by \$51,750, Professional Services by \$50,000.	(101,750)	0	0.000
76	CAPITAL - PORT - Reauthorize Port borrowing authority.	100,000	0	0.000
77	DPW ADMIN - Eliminate the Administrative Services Director position.	(29,643)	(29,643)	(0.001)
78	DPW ADMIN, SPA - Increase City Contribution to BID SPA by \$53,500, reduce DPW Administration's Professional Services account by a like amount.	0	0	0.000
79	PARKING - Increase overnight parking fines by \$1.	100,000	(100,000)	(0.003)
80	PARKING - Increase all parking fines by 10%.	932,150	(932,150)	(0.032)
81	PARKING - Increase parking meter rates from \$1/hr to \$1.50/hr	500,000	(500,000)	(0.017)
82	PARKING - Eliminate capital funding for the repainting of MacArthur Square structure.	(290,000)	0	0.000
83	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Add one mini concrete crew, one crack filling crew, and one sidewalk grinder crew.	533,644	533,644	0.018
84	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Eliminate funding for the restoration of 11 miles of bicycle lane	(46,000)	(46,000)	(0.002)
85	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Eliminate the Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator position.	(44,568)	(44,568)	(0.002)
86	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Restore 10 minutes to street light burn time.	160,000	160,000	0.005
87	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Eliminate one electrical maintenance crew.	(17,894)	(17,894)	(0.001)
88	DPW INFRASTRUCTURE - Increase street light burn time.	64,000	64,000	0.002
89	DPW OPS - Forestry technical amendment to correct position count and funding.	0	0	0.000
90	DPW OPS, REVENUES - Increase 2009 Snow & Ice Control Fee by \$6 annually to fund snow & ice control operations in crosswalks.	1,285,000	0	0.000
91	DPW OPS - Restore positions and funding related to the acceptance of construction debris.	90,680	90,680	0.003
92	DPW OPS - Restore tree pruning and boulevard mowing to 2008 budgeted levels.	476,286	476,286	0.016
93	DPW OPS - Restore 3 custodian positions.	110,298	110,298	0.004
94	DPW OPS - Eliminate Low Impact Green Cleaning related equipment.	(10,000)	(10,000)	(0.001)

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95 DPW OPS - Reduce various Facilities operating accounts.	(100,000)	(100,000)	(0.003)
96 DPW OPS, SMF - Restore brush collection, fund through the Sewer Maintenance Fund.	195,860	0	0.000
97 DPW OPS - Restore brush collection.	97,930	97,930	0.003
98 DPW OPS - Eliminate Snow Pay.	(185,204)	(185,204)	(0.006)
99 DPW OPS - Restore one position of Vehicle Service Technician.	0	0	0.000
100 DPW OPS - Eliminate the Fleet Operations Manager position.	(92,036)	(92,036)	(0.003)
101 DPW OPS - Eliminate funding for Murray & Trettel weather forecasting services.	(3,000)	(3,000)	(0.001)
102 DPW OPS - Fund the tree pruning cycle at 6 years.	199,530	199,530	0.007
103 DPW OPS - Fund the small tree pruning cycle at 3 years, large tree pruning cycle at 6 years.	1,015,984	1,015,984	0.035
104 DPW OPS, REVENUES - Create a Brush Collection Fee, restore the service.	97,930	0	0.000
105 DPW OPS, GRANT & AID - Fund the weekend box program using CDBG reprogramming funds.	0	0	0.000
106 DPW OPS - Eliminate one unfunded Urban Forestry Crew Leader position.	0	0	0.000
107 DPW OPS - Create 2 additional Vehicle Service Technicians positions, reduce funding in Vehicle Repair Services account like amount.	0	0	0.000
108 DPW OPS - Create one Maintenance Technician II position, fund for only 3 months.	11,100	11,100	0.001
109 DPW OPS - Provide funding to maintain the 7 day boulevard mowing cycle.	108,530	108,530	0.004
110 CAPITAL - DPW OPS - Eliminate funding for the ZMB elevator construction project.	(1,227,000)	(27,000)	(0.001)
111 CAPITAL - DPW OPS - Reduce funding in the Recreation Facilities Citywide program by \$116,500.	(121,167)	(2,667)	(0.001)
112 CAPITAL - DPW OPS - Reduce funding in the Major Capital Equipment account by \$420,000.	(429,450)	(9,450)	(0.001)
113 SPA - Reduce Wages Supplement Fund to reflect approved wages for non-represented and non-civilian fire management employees.	(88,000)	(88,000)	(0.003)
114 SPA - Reduce the Workers' Compensation Fund SPA by \$1.0 million.	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(0.034)
115 SPA - Reduce the Remission of Taxes Fund by \$500,000.	(500,000)	(500,000)	(0.017)
116 SPA - Reduce the Reserve for 27th Payroll by \$250,000.	(250,000)	(250,000)	(0.009)
117 SPA - Reduce the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects by \$100,000.	(100,000)	(100,000)	(0.003)
118 SPA - Eliminate the Alternative Transportation for City Employees SPA.	(130,032)	(130,032)	(0.004)
119 SPA - Eliminate tuition benefits for all management employees.	(160,000)	(160,000)	(0.005)
120 CAPITAL - Eliminate Housing Trust Fund.	(409,000)	(9,000)	(0.001)
121 CAPITAL - Eliminate the Energy Challenge Fund.	(511,250)	(11,250)	(0.001)
122 CAPITAL - Create Light Rail Infrastructure account with \$250 million of borrowing.	250,225,000	225,000	0.008

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW - Forestry	\$+1,015,984	\$+1,015,984	\$+0.035

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

This amendment changes the pruning cycle for small trees to a 3-year pruning cycle and larger trees to a 6-year cycle.

**OVERVIEW**

1. In the 2009 Proposed Budget there are 11.6 filled Urban Forestry Specialist positions that are unfunded and result in layoffs and one vacant Urban Forestry Crew Leader that is unfunded.
2. The reduction in Forestry staff will result in an extension of the pruning cycle from 5 years to 7 years and the spring/early summer mowing cycle from 7 to 10 days.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment funds 19 Urban Forestry Specialist positions at \$971,542 and one Urban Forestry Crew Leader position at \$44,442, increasing the Salaries and Wages for the DPW - Forestry by \$1,015,984.
2. The change in O&M FTES will be an increase in 19 FTEs, from 155.1 to 174.1.
3. The estimated employee fringe benefit increase will be \$416,553.

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 October 30, 2008

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Kovac

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIVISION

Return tree pruning to a 3 year cycle for fast growing small trees and 6 year cycle for mature larger trees.

BUDGET  
EFFECT

TAX LEVY  
EFFECT

TAX RATE EFFECT  
(PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$+1,015,984

\$+1,015,984

\$+0.035

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION FORESTRY SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.29-16	Urban Forestry Specialist	109	+19	\$4,525,614	\$+971,542
310.29-17	Urban Forestry Crew Leader	22	--	\$1,078,611	\$+44,442
310.31-11	O&M FTE'S	155.10	+19.00	--	--
310.31-20	ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS	--	--	\$3,015,713	\$+416,553
380.1-3	FRINGE BENEFIT OFFSET	--	--	\$-121,996,378	\$-416,553

**SPONSOR(S)**Ald. Zielinski, Kovac

**AMENDMENT 104**

<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>BUDGET IMPACT</b>	<b>TAX LEVY IMPACT</b>	<b>TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000</b>
DPW-Operations Division	\$+97,930	\$+0	\$+0.000

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

Restores brush collection including funding for 2 Operations Driver Worker positions, 2 FTEs and associated disposal tonnage fees. A fee of \$5 per pick up will be charged.

**OVERVIEW**

1. This amendment assumes the adoption of an ordinance creating a \$5 per pick up brush collection charge.
2. The 2009 Proposed Budget does not provide funding for brush collection.
3. Under the 2009 Proposed Budget, City residents will be able to dispose of brush at the City self help centers or have the brush removed by a private tree removal service.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment restores brush collection by providing funding for 2 Operations Driver Worker positions (\$90,680), 2 FTEs and associated disposal tonnage fees (\$7,250).
2. The \$5 per pick up brush collection charge revenue requires revenue recognition by the Comptroller.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Zielinski, Kovac

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIVISION

Restore brush collection including funding for two Operations Driver Worker positions, two full time equivalents, and associated disposal tonnage fees. A fee of \$5 will be charged per pick up. This requires revenue recognition by the Comptroller.

BUDGET      TAX LEVY      TAX RATE EFFECT  
EFFECT      EFFECT      (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$+97,930

\$+0

\$+0.000

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION SANITATION SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.24-20	Operations Driver Worker (D)	185	+2	\$8,297,220	\$+90,680
310.25-26	O&M FTE'S	290.31	+2.00	--	--
310.26-17	ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS	--	--	\$6,018,598	\$+37,179
	OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
310.27-9	Other Operating Services	--	--	\$10,445,458	\$+7,250
380.1-3	FRINGE BENEFIT OFFSET	--	--	\$-121,996,378	\$-37,179
	SECTION I.A.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
400.4-15	DPW -Operations Division- Sanitation	--	--	\$808,000	\$+97,930



SPONSOR(S) Ald. Bohl

AMENDMENT 105

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW-Operations Division Sanitation Section	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

To allocate \$125,000 in CDBG reprogramming funding in 2009 for the Neighborhood Weekend Clean-Up Box Program.

**OVERVIEW**

1. Under the Neighborhood Weekend Clean-Up Box Program, program, DPW provides large roll-off dumpsters (boxes) for weekend neighborhood cleanups.
2. The 2009 Budget provides positions, but does not include funding for the Weekend Box Program.
3. If CDBG reprogramming funding is made available, DPW intends to continue the program at its 2008 level. (An amendment to the 2008 Proposed Budget restored partial funding (\$125,000) through the use of CDBG reprogramming funding.)

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment allocates \$125,000 in CDBG reprogramming funding in 2009 for the Neighborhood Weekend Clean-Up Box Program.
2. If this amendment is adopted, DPW intends to continue the program at its 2008 level.

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October 27, 2008

OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bohl

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIVISION, GRANT AND AID PROJECTS FUND

Allocate \$125,000 in Community Development Block Grant reprogramming funding in 2009 for the Neighborhood Weekend Clean-Up Box Program administered by the Department of Public Works Operations Division.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$+0

\$+0

\$+0.000

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	SECTION I.H.1. BUDGET FOR GRANT AND AID PROJECTS				
500.1-10	Grantor Share (Non-City)	--	--	\$78,370,351	\$-125,000
500.1-15	Neighborhood Weekend Clean-Up Box Program (A)	--	--	--	+\$125,000

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW - Forestry	\$+0	\$+0	\$+0.000

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

This amendment eliminates position authority, funding and FTE for one Urban Forestry Crew Leader.

**OVERVIEW**

1. In the 2009 Proposed Budget there are 11.6 filled Urban Forestry Specialist positions that are unfunded and will result in layoffs and one vacant Urban Forestry Crew Leader that is unfunded.
2. The reduction in Forestry staff will result in an extension of the pruning cycle from 5 years to 7 years and the spring/early summer mowing cycle from 7 to 10 days.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment eliminates position authority, funding and FTE for the Urban Forestry Crew Leader position.
2. There is no decrease to Wages and Salaries because the position is not funded in the budget.
3. There would be a decrease in the total number of Urban Forestry Crew Leaders from 22 to 21.
4. The change in O&M FTES will be a decrease in one FTE, from 155.1 to 154.1.

OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bohl

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS DIVISION

Eliminate position authority for one unfunded Urban Forestry Crew Leader in the Department of Public Works Operations Division Forestry Section.

BUDGET  
EFFECT

TAX LEVY  
EFFECT

TAX RATE EFFECT  
(PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$+0

\$+0

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION FORESTRY SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.29-17	Urban Forestry Crew Leader	22	-1	\$1,078,611	--

SPONSOR(S): ALD. BOHL

AMENDMENT 107

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION, BUILDINGS & FLEET SERVICES	\$+0	\$+0	\$+0.000

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to restore position authority and funding for 2 positions of Vehicle Service Technician (SR 254) offset by a reduction to the Vehicle Repair Services operating expenditure account, in the Department of Public Works-Operations Division-Buildings and Fleet Services, Fleet Services Section.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2 Vehicle Service Technician (SR 254) positions proposed for elimination in the 2009 Proposed Budget reflect a reduction from 18 to 16. One is filled and one is vacant. The incumbent has an opportunity to be promoted to a Field Service Mechanic position. Reductions of this position could result in adjustments and reductions in the preventative maintenance programs to meet the available staffing.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment restores position authority, funding, direct labor hours and FTEs for 2 positions of Vehicle Service Technician (SR 254).
2. It also reduces the Vehicle Repair Services operating expenditure account by \$-86,600, from \$500,000 to \$413,400.
3. This amendment adds \$+0 to the 2009 Budget, for a tax rate impact of \$+0.000 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Bohl

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-OPERATIONS DIVISION

In the DPW-Operations Division Fleet Services Section, increase Vehicle Service Technician position authority from 16 to 18 with accompanying increases in full time equivalents and funding. Offset with reduction to Vehicle Repair Services operating expenditure account.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT  
(PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$+0      \$+0      \$+0.000

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW OPERATIONS DIVISION- FLEET SERVICES SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.7-20	Vehicle Service Technician	16	+2	\$721,470	+\$86,600
310.9-21	O&M FTE'S	98.00	+2.00	--	--
310.10-7	ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS	--	--	\$1,891,514	+\$35,506
	OPERATING EXPENDITURES				
310.10-23	Vehicle Repair Services	--	--	\$700,000	-\$86,600
380.1-3	FRINGE BENEFIT OFFSET	--	--	-\$121,996,378	-\$35,506

SPONSOR(S): ALD. BOHL

AMENDMENT 108

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION, BUILDINGS & FLEET SERVICES	+\$11,100	+\$11,100	+\$0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to restore position authority for 1 position of Maintenance Technician II, for 3 months funding and the equivalent FTE and salary amounts in the Department of Public Works-Operations Division-Buildings and Facilities Development and Management Section.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The proposed elimination of 1 Maintenance Technician II (SR 258) represents a reduction from 6 in 2008 to 5 in 2009. This position is currently filled.
2. This proposed elimination is the result of implementing a reduced cycle of Preventative Maintenance (PM) based upon the run times of the equipment rather than calendar day scheduled PM's. Demand Maintenance (DM) is expected to be reduced due to major capital improvements that have been made to the Facilities Systems in the past 5 years.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment restores position authority for 1 position of Maintenance Technician II (SR 258) for 3 months funding and the equivalent FTE and salary amounts this position.
2. This amendment adds \$+11,100 to the 2009 Budget, for a tax rate impact of \$+0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bohl

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-OPERATIONS DIVISION

In the DPW-Operations Division Facilities Section, increase position authority for the Maintenance Technician II position by one; provide only three months' funding and the equivalent FTE and salary amounts.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget      \$+11,100      \$+11,100      \$+0.001

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION-FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.18-9	Maintenance Technician II	5	+1	\$221,625	\$+11,100
310.20-24	O&M FTE'S	63.77	+0.25	--	--
310.21-8	ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS	--	--	\$1,323,014	\$+4,551
380.1-3	FRINGE BENEFIT OFFSET	--	--	-\$121,996,378	-\$4,551



DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW - Forestry	+\$108,530	+\$108,530	+\$0.004

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

This amendment restores the mowing cycle from 10 to 7 days.

**OVERVIEW**

1. In the 2009 Proposed Budget there are 11.6 filled Urban Forestry Specialist positions that are unfunded and will result in layoffs and one vacant Urban Forestry Crew Leader that is unfunded.
2. The reduction in Forestry staff will result in an extension of the pruning cycle from 5 years to 7 years and the spring/early summer mowing cycle from 7 to 10 days.
3. It would require 2 Urban Forestry Specialists to restore the mowing cycle from 10 to 7 days.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment funds 2 Urban Forestry Specialist positions, increasing the Salaries and Wages for the DPW - Forestry by \$108,530.
2. The change in O&M FTES will be an increase in 2 FTEs, from 155.1 to 157.1.
3. The estimated employee fringe benefit increase will be \$44,498.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Witkowski

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-OPERATIONS DIVISION

Provide funding, positions, and full-time equivalents to maintain a 7-day mowing schedule for boulevards, instead of the proposed 10-day schedule.

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Operating Budget

\$+108,530      \$+108,530      \$+0.004

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION FORESTRY SECTION				
	SALARIES & WAGES				
310.29-16	Urban Forestry Specialist	109	+2	\$4,525,614	\$+108,530
310.31-11	O&M FTE'S	155.10	+2.00	--	--
310.31-20	ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE FRINGE BENEFITS	--	--	\$3,015,713	\$+44,498
380.1-3	FRINGE BENEFIT OFFSET	--	--	\$-121,996,378	\$-44,498

SPONSOR(S): ALD. DUDZIK

AMENDMENT 110

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION, BUILDINGS & FLEET SERVICES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS	\$-1,227,000	\$-27,000	\$-0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to reduce funding for the Facilities Systems Program capital account by \$1,200,000, by eliminating funding for the Zeidler Municipal Building – Modernize Elevators-Construction project.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget includes \$1,500,000 in capital funding to the Facility Systems Program; \$2,400,000 was allocated in the 2008 Budget.
2. The Facility Systems Program is an ongoing program to keep the City's buildings in good operating condition. Facility systems include heating, ventilating, air conditioning (HVAC), plumbing, fire protection, electrical distribution, lighting, boilers, and computerized facility management. 2009 funding will address:
  - Zeidler Municipal Bldg. – Modernize Elevators-Construction - \$1,200,000
  - Various Sites – Emergency Mechanical Repairs - \$100,000
  - Various Sites – Security Projects - \$150,000
  - Various Sites – Emergency Electrical Repairs - \$50,000

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment will reduce funding for the Facilities Systems Program capital account by \$1,200,000, from \$1,500,000 to \$300,000, by eliminating funding for following project:
  - Zeidler Municipal Bldg. – Modernize Elevators-Construction - \$1,200,000
2. The net impact of this amendment is a reduction of the 2009 Budget by \$-1,227,000, reducing the tax levy by \$-27,000, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$-0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Dudzik

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Reduce funding for the Facility Systems Program capital account by \$1,200,000. This funding was for the Zeidler Municipal Building Modernize Elevators Construction Project.

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Capital Improvements Budget	\$-1,200,000	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	\$-27,000	\$-27,000	\$-0.001
Total	\$-1,227,000	\$-27,000	\$-0.001

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION				
450.45-10	Facility Systems Program New Borrowing	--	--	\$1,500,000	\$-1,200,000
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	\$-1,200,000
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	\$-27,000
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	\$-27,000
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	C. Public Improvements				
580.1	1. Public buildings for housing machinery and equipment.	--	--	\$16,311,245	\$-1,200,000

**SPONSOR(S): ALD. DUDZIK**

**AMENDMENT |||**

<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>BUDGET IMPACT</b>	<b>TAX LEVY IMPACT</b>	<b>TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000</b>
DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION, BUILDINGS & FLEET SERVICES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS	\$-121,167	\$-2,667	\$-0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to reduce capital funding for the Recreation Facilities Citywide program capital account by \$118,500, eliminating the following projects: 4<sup>th</sup> & Mineral – Equipment Upgrade – Design Only (\$13,000), Cooper – Tennis Court Reconstruction (\$91,000), and Alcott – Tennis Court Reconstruction – Design Only (\$14,500).

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget includes an allocation of \$300,000 to the Recreation Facilities Program; \$300,000 was allocated in the 2008 Budget.
2. Improvements in this program include maintenance and renovations in neighborhood recreation facilities, children's play areas and stand alone recreation sites. Funds will be released for projects with prior review and approval of the Common Council. 2009 projects include:
  - Reiske Park – Reconstruction (ADA) - \$42,000
  - 29<sup>th</sup> & Meinecke – Reconstruction (ADA) – \$49,000
  - 13<sup>th</sup> & Lapham – Reconstruction (ADA) – Design Only - \$13,000
  - 4<sup>th</sup> & Mineral – Equipment Upgrade – Design Only - \$13,000
  - Cooper – Tennis Court Reconstruction – \$91,000
  - Alcott – Tennis Court Reconstruction – Design Only - \$14,500
  - Various Sites – Non Programmed - \$25,000
  - Engineering - \$52,500

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment will reduce capital funding for the Recreation Facilities Citywide program capital account by \$118,500, eliminating the following projects:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> & Mineral – Equipment Upgrade – Design Only - \$13,000
  - Cooper – Tennis Court Reconstruction – \$91,000
  - Alcott – Tennis Court Reconstruction – Design Only - \$14,500
2. The net impact of this amendment is a reduction of the 2009 Budget by \$-121,167, reducing the tax levy by \$-2,667, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$-0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

Prepared by: Amy E. Heffer  
LRB – Research and Analysis Section  
October 27, 2008

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Dudzik

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Reduce funding for the Recreation Facilities Citywide capital account by \$118,500. This funding was for the following projects: 4th & Mineral Equipment Upgrade Design (\$13,000), Cooper Tennis Court Reconstruction (\$91,000), and Alcott Tennis Court Reconstruction Design (\$14,500).

BUDGET	TAX LEVY	TAX RATE EFFECT
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Capital Improvements Budget	\$-118,500	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	\$-2,667	\$-2,667	\$-0.001
Total	\$-121,167	\$-2,667	\$-0.001

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION				
450.45-5	Recreation Facilities Citywide New Borrowing	--	--	\$300,000	-\$118,500
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	-\$118,500
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	-\$2,667
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	-\$2,667
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	C. Public Improvements				
580.1	9. Parks and public grounds.	--	--	\$3,267,000	-\$118,500

SPONSOR(S): ALD. DUDZIK

AMENDMENT 112

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION, BUILDINGS & FLEET SERVICES CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS	\$-429,450	\$-9,450	\$-0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to reduce funding for the Major Capital Equipment account by \$420,000, by reducing funding for the purchase of dump trucks with underbelly plows.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget includes \$6,360,000 in capital funding for the Major Capital Equipment program; \$6,000,000 was allocated in the 2008 Budget.
2. This program is specified for equipment that exceeds \$50,000 and has a life expectancy of at least 10 years. The program focuses on equipment replacement including garbage and recycling collection, snow and ice control and pick-up and dump trucks for use as pool equipment.
3. In 2009 the department was planning on purchasing five 5-yard dump trucks with underbelly plows at a cost of \$700,000.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment will reduce funding for the Major Capital Equipment account by \$420,000 by reducing funding for the purchase of dump trucks with underbelly plows, from \$700,000 to \$280,000.
2. The net impact of this amendment is a reduction of the 2009 Budget by \$-429,450, reducing the tax levy by \$-9,450, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$-0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Dudzik

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Reduce funding for the Major Capital Equipment capital account by \$420,000.  
This funding was for the purchase of Dump Trucks with Underbody Plows.

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Capital Improvements Budget	\$-420,000	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	\$-9,450	\$-9,450	\$-0.001
Total	\$-429,450	\$-9,450	\$-0.001

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	DPW-OPERATIONS DIVISION				
450.46-20	Major Capital Equipment New Borrowing	--	--	\$6,360,000	\$-420,000
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	\$-420,000
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	\$-9,450
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	\$-9,450
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	C. Public Improvements				
580.1	1. Public buildings for housing machinery and equipment.	--	--	\$16,311,245	\$-420,000



OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Murphy

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS-MISCELLANEOUS

Reduce the wages supplement funding to reflect the wages approved for non-represented and non-civilian Fire management employees.

BUDGET EFFECT

TAX LEVY EFFECT

TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$-88,000

\$-88,000

\$-0.003

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320.6-13	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES  SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS  Wages Supplement Fund	--	--	\$20,350,000	\$-88,000

SPONSOR(S): Ald. Bauman

Amendment 114

Department	Budget Impact	Tax Levy Impact	Tax Rate Impact per \$1,000
DER SPA - Workers' Compensation	\$ -1,000,000	\$ -1,000,000	\$ -0.034

**ADMENDMENT INTENT** – To reduce the Workers' Compensation Special Purpose Account by \$1,000,000.

### OVERVIEW

1. This amendment reduces the Department of Employee Relations Workers' Compensation Special purpose Account by \$1,000,000 or 6.95% from 2009 Proposed Budget of \$14,383,000.
2. The 2009 Proposed Budget of \$14,383,000 is up \$2,258,000 or 18.38% over 2008's \$12,125,000 Adopted Budget based on projected expenditures in 2008, increases in State-mandated indemnity payment rates and increases in medial costs.
3. The Budget Office projects 2008 Workers' Compensation expenditures will be \$13,625,000 to \$14,125,000.
4. The City contracts with CorVel to review workers' compensation medical bills for appropriateness of treatment and customary-and-reasonable pricing which helps contain costs. In addition, the City benefits from discounts on medial treatments procured by injured workers through CorVel's medical provider network. In 2007, such discounts were up nearly \$2,000,000, from \$2,100,000 in 2006 to \$4,055,188 in 2007 due to expansion of CorVel's network.
5. The City self-funds all workers' compensation claims and is legally obligated to pay all legitimate claims upon presentation. Of the 822 workers' compensation claims processed in 2007, the City contested 211 (25.67%). 154 of these contested claims (18.74% of processed claims) were denied.

### IMPACT

1. The proposed 2009 budget for the Workers' Compensation SPA will be \$13,383,000 - \$242,000 to \$742,000 less than the Budget Office's projection for 2008 expenditures of \$13,625,000 to \$14,125,000.

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October 24, 2008

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Bauman

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS

Reduce funding for the Worker's Compensation Special Purpose Account by \$1,000,000.

BUDGET  
EFFECT

TAX LEVY  
EFFECT

TAX RATE EFFECT  
(PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$-1,000,000

\$-1,000,000

\$-0.034

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS				
330.1-8	WORKERS' COMPENSATION	--	--	\$14,383,000	\$-1,000,000

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS-MISCELLANEOUS	-\$500,000	-\$500,000	-\$0.02

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to reduce 2009 funding for the Remission of Taxes Fund special purpose account from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget provides \$1,000,000 for the Remission of Taxes Fund special purpose account, double the \$500,000 provided in the 2008 Budget and several prior budgets. This special purpose account is administered by the Assessor's Office.
2. The Remission of Taxes Fund provides the money needed to refund property taxes and applicable interest to property owners who have had their tax liability cancelled or reduced as a result of Board of Review or State Tax Appeals Commission actions. Actual disbursements from the Fund are made pursuant to Common Council resolutions.
3. Actual expenditures from the Remission of Taxes Fund SPA over the past 5 years were:

<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
\$897,137	\$1,066,290	\$820,595	\$1,055,344	\$621,716

4. Appropriations from the Common Council Contingent Fund are used to make up shortfalls in the Remission of Taxes Fund SPA.
5. The Assessor's Office and DOA-Budget and Management Analysis Division have proposed the 2009 funding increase for the Remission of Taxes Fund SPA for 2 reasons. First, as shown above, actual expenditures from the SPA exceed the budget appropriation each year. Secondly, according to the Assessor, the currently-known liability for the Remission of Taxes Fund in 2009 is approximately \$1.1 million, including approximately \$770,000 in paybacks to taxpayers that are due by January 31, 2009.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment reduces 2009 funding for the Remission of Taxes Fund special purpose account from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000.
2. This amendment will reduce the 2009 Budget and tax levy by \$500,000, for a tax rate impact of -\$0.02 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bauman

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - MISCELLANEOUS

Reduce Remission of Taxes Fund SPA by \$500,000.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget      \$-500,000      \$-500,000      \$-0.017

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS				
320.5-20	Remission of Taxes Fund	--	--	\$1,000,000	\$-500,000

SPONSOR(S) Ald. Bohl

AMENDMENT 116

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
Comptroller – Reserve for 27 <sup>th</sup> Payroll SPA	\$-250,000	\$-250,000	\$0.009

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

Decrease funding for the 27<sup>th</sup> Payroll SPA by \$250,000.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget includes \$1.5 million for the Reserve for 27<sup>th</sup> Payroll SPA.
2. This account is used for the accrual of extra days' salary costs beyond the annual standard of 26 pay periods. City employees are paid bi-weekly with the salary and wages recorded for full pay periods only. A 27<sup>th</sup> pay period occurs once every 11 years, most recently in 2005. The accruals are made in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Funding this SPA annually avoids a huge tax levy impact every 11 years when funds are required for the 27<sup>th</sup> pay period. The next year where 27 payrolls occur is 2016.

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment reduces funding for Reserve for the 27<sup>th</sup> Payroll SPA by \$250,000 to \$1,250,000.
2. Reducing the 2009 Reserve for 27<sup>th</sup> Payroll SPA funding could have an impact on the tax levy. Funding not provided for this account would need to be provided by using unexpended O & M funds and or a transfer from the Wages Supplement Fund or the Common Council's Contingent Fund. The liability exists and has to be accounted for.

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October 23, 2008

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Bohl

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - MISCELLANEOUS

Decrease funding for the Reserve for 27th Payroll Special Purpose Account by \$250,000.

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Operating Budget

\$-250,000	\$-250,000	\$-0.009
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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS				
320.5-22	Reserve for 27th Payroll	--	--	\$1,500,000	\$-250,000

SPONSOR(S): ALD. BOHL

AMENDMENT 117

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS-MISCELLANEOUS	-\$100,000	-\$100,000	-\$0.003

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to reduce 2009 funding for the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects special purpose account from \$160,000 to \$60,000.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget provides \$160,000 for the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects special purpose account, 7.4% less than the 2008 Budget and several prior budgets. This special purpose account is administered by the Department of City Development.
2. The Milwaukee Arts Board Projects SPA supports the Milwaukee Arts Board's efforts to promote the development, support and enjoyment of the arts in Milwaukee, and to encourage cultural diversity in the artistic life of the city. Funds are used to provide grants to local arts groups and artists, as well as to pay consultant fees related to operation of this grant program. This SPA also provides funds for 2 annual awards to individual Milwaukee artists (\$1,500 each).
3. Actual expenditures from the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects SPA over the past 3 years were:

<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
\$139,585	\$169,225	\$179,230

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment reduces 2009 funding for the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects special purpose account from \$160,000 to \$60,000.
2. This amendment will reduce the 2009 Budget and tax levy by \$100,000, for a tax rate impact of -\$0.003 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

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OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bohl

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - MISCELLANEOUS

Decrease funding for the Milwaukee Arts Board Projects Special Purpose Account by \$100,000.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget      \$-100,000      \$-100,000      \$-0.003

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS				
320.4-21	Milwaukee Arts Board Projects	--	--	\$160,000	\$-100,000

**SPONSOR(S): Ald. Bohl**

**Amendment**

**118**

Department	Budget Impact	Tax Levy Impact	Tax Rate Impact per \$1,000
DER SPA - Commuter Value Pass	\$ -130,032	\$ -130,032	\$ -0.004

**ADMENDMENT INTENT** – To eliminate the Commuter Value Pass (“CVP”) Employee Benefits for all employees.

### **OVERVIEW**

1. This amendment eliminates the Commuter Value Pass (“CVP”) or “bus pass” employee benefit for all employees except uniformed Fire and Police personnel who ride Milwaukee County Transit System (“MCTS”) buses for free.
2. The City pays half the monthly cost of MCTS bus passes or \$29.50 per month per participating employee. Participating employees pay the other half.
3. As of August, 2008, 343 City employees participated in the program. At year-end 2007, there were 340 participants.

### **IMPACT**

1. The 343 participating employees would be directly affected by the adoption of this amendment.

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OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Bohl

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - MISCELLANEOUS

Eliminate funding for the Alternative Transportation for City Employees Special Purpose Account.

BUDGET  
EFFECT

TAX LEVY  
EFFECT

TAX RATE EFFECT  
(PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$-130,032

\$-130,032

\$-0.004

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS				
320.1-5	Alternative Transportation for City Employees	--	--	\$130,032	\$-130,032

SPONSOR(S): Ald. Zielinski

Amendment 119

Department	Budget Impact	Tax Levy Impact	Tax Rate Impact per \$1,000
DER – SPA - Tuition Reimbursement	\$ -160,000	\$ -160,000	\$ -0.005

**ADMENDMENT INTENT** -- To eliminate Tuition Reimbursement Benefits for all City management employees.

### OVERVIEW

1. This amendment eliminates Tuition Reimbursement Benefits for all City management employees.
2. The 2009 Proposed Budget increases tuition reimbursements \$40,000 or 5.26% from \$760,000 in the 2008 Adopted Budget to \$800,000 to be consistent with actual 2007 expenditures of \$869,613. This amendment reduces the 2009 Proposed Budget for tuition reimbursement \$160,000 or 21% from 2008 levels.
3. The Department of Employee Relations reports actual tuition reimbursements paid to management employees were \$157,793 in 2006, \$227,478 in 2007 and \$68,026 through September 24, 2008. The percent of actual total tuition reimbursements paid to management employees was roughly 20.16% in 2006 and 25.51% in 2007.

### IMPACT

1. The City's roughly 719 management employees as of October 24, 2008 are potentially affected by this amendment. 404 management employees or 5.26% of the City's October 24, 2008 total workforce of 7,678 received tuition reimbursements in 2007.

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October 23, 2008

OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

By Ald. Zielinski

SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS - MISCELLANEOUS

Eliminate funding for management tuition benefits in the Tuition Reimbursement Special Purpose Account.

BUDGET EFFECT      TAX LEVY EFFECT      TAX RATE EFFECT (PER \$1,000 A.V.)

Operating Budget

\$-160,000

\$-160,000

\$-0.005

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	SECTION I.A.1. BUDGETS FOR GENERAL CITY PURPOSES				
	SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS- MISCELLANEOUS				
320.6-5	Tuition Reimbursement Fund	--	--	\$800,000	\$-160,000

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	-\$409,000	-\$9,000	-\$0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to eliminate the \$400,000 in funding for the Housing Trust Fund provided in the 2009 Proposed Budget.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The City of Milwaukee Housing Trust Fund, as established and described in ch. 316 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, was created by Common Council File Number 041537, adopted November 14, 2006. The purpose of the Housing Trust Fund is:
 

“...to support developers and governmental entities in the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and modification of affordable and accessible housing for low-income households, and to finance support services that assist low-income households in obtaining and maintaining affordable housing.” (s. 316-1)
2. Section 316-7 of the Code states that the Housing Trust Fund shall be initially capitalized for up to \$5 million by proceeds from the sale of general obligation bonds, with the resulting debt service being amortized first by surplus Potawatomi Bingo Casino revenues, post-closure tax incremental district revenues and excess payments in lieu of taxes, and secondarily by the property tax levy.
3. The 2007 Budget included \$2.5 million in new borrowing authority for the Housing Trust Fund.
4. The 2008 Proposed Budget included \$400,000 in tax levy funding (special purpose account) for the Housing Trust Fund. Thus, to date, budgeted appropriations for the Housing Trust Fund total \$2.9 million.
5. The 2009 Proposed Budget calls for a continuation of the 2008 level of funding for the Housing Trust Fund -- \$400,000. However, the 2009 Budget appropriation would be capital funding (new borrowing), rather than tax-levy SPA funding.
6. On February 5, 2008, the Common Council adopted File Number 071307, a resolution approving the allocation of \$1,407,000 from the Housing Trust Fund for 5 affordable housing developments. Also, on September 16, 2008, the Common Council adopted File Number 080645, a resolution authorizing the expenditure of \$10,000 from the Housing Trust Fund to support a LISC-sponsored study of the affordable housing delivery system in Milwaukee, to be performed by the Public Policy Forum.

7. Of the \$2.9 million appropriated for the Housing Trust Fund by the 2007 and 2008 Budgets, \$1,483,000 remains available to fund affordable housing initiatives:

\$2,900,000
- 1,407,000
- <u>10,000</u>
\$1,483,000

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment eliminates the \$400,000 in capital funding for the Housing Trust Fund included in the 2009 Proposed Budget.
2. The net impact of this amendment is a reduction of the 2009 Budget by \$409,000 -- \$400,000 in the Capital Improvements budget plus a related \$9,000 reduction in the City Debt budget. Since only the debt financing is tax-levy-funded, the amendment reduces the tax levy by \$9,000, for a tax rate impact of -\$0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

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**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Dudzik

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Eliminate funding for the Housing Trust Fund.	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>
Capital Improvements Budget	\$-400,000	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	<u>\$-9,000</u>	<u>\$-9,000</u>	<u>\$-0.001</u>
Total	\$-409,000	\$-9,000	\$-0.001

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS OR PURPOSES				
450.3-12	Housing Trust Fund New Borrowing	--	--	\$400,000	-\$400,000
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	-\$400,000
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	-\$9,000
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	-\$9,000
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	A. Grants and Aids Projects				
580.1	Subtotal Grants and Aids Projects (Lines 7 to 10) (3).	--	--	\$400,000	-\$400,000



SPONSOR(S): ALD. BOHL

AMENDMENT 121

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUNDS -SPECIAL PROJECTS OR PURPOSES	\$-511,250	\$-11,250	\$-0.001

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

This amendment eliminates capital funding (\$500,000) for the Energy Challenge Fund.

**OVERVIEW**

1. The 2009 Proposed Budget includes \$500,000 in capital funding to support the goal of helping city departments reduce energy consumption by 15% from 2008 to 2012, using 2005 city energy consumption as a baseline. Funds are awarded to departments for capital projects that result in energy efficiencies or that use renewable energy or alternative fuel sources.
2. Funds are distributed based on projected reductions in energy use and demand charges and demonstration of project payback within a reasonable time period. The Environmental Sustainability Director manages the Energy Challenge Fund. The 2008 Budget appropriated \$500,000 in capital funding for this project
3. No departments have been selected for the 2009 funds as the 2009 Budget is not yet adopted. The Energy Challenge Fund will target buildings that have the highest energy usage and highest energy costs. The projects will also be evaluated based on their pay-back period (e.g., a project that pays for itself in 3 years rather than 7 years might receive greater consideration).

**IMPACT**

1. This amendment eliminates capital funding (\$500,000) for the Energy Challenge Fund.
2. The net impact of this amendment is a reduction of the 2009 Budget by \$-511,250, decreasing the tax levy by \$-11,250, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$-0.001 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Bohl

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Eliminate funding for the Energy Challenge Fund capital account.	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>
Capital Improvements Budget	\$-500,000	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	<u>\$-11,250</u>	<u>\$-11,250</u>	<u>\$-0.001</u>
Total	\$-511,250	\$-11,250	\$-0.001

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS OR PURPOSES				
450.3-16	Energy Challenge Fund New Borrowing	--	--	\$500,000	-\$500,000
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	-\$500,000
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	-\$11,250
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	-\$11,250
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	C. Public Improvements				
580.1	1. Public buildings for housing machinery and equipment.	--	--	\$16,311,245	-\$500,000

SPONSOR(S): ALD. DAVIS

AMENDMENT 122

DEPARTMENT	BUDGET IMPACT	TAX LEVY IMPACT	TAX RATE IMPACT PER \$1,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS-SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS	+\$250,225,000	+\$225,000	+\$0.008

**AMENDMENT INTENT**

The intent of this amendment is to include \$250 million in capital funding (new borrowing authority) for light rail system infrastructure in the 2009 Proposed Budget.

**OVERVIEW**

1. Light rail transit is a form of urban public transportation using rail cars typically propelled by overhead electric power. Trains usually operate on exclusive right-of-way, but occasionally run in mixed traffic on city streets. Light rail differs from heavy rail (subway and elevated trains) in that the latter operate at higher speeds, have higher capacity and cost much more to build. Light rail also differs from streetcars in that the latter typically stop more frequently, lack station infrastructure and operate almost exclusively in street traffic.
2. Costs of constructing light rail systems vary widely, largely depending on the amount of tunneling or elevated structures required. A survey of light rail projects in North America (lightrail.com) found that the costs of recently-constructed light rail systems ranged from \$15 million to over \$100 million per mile, with an average cost of about \$35 million per mile (excluding Seattle's system, which has extensive tunneling, elevated sections and stations located deep underground).
3. Among the benefits and advantages of light rail cited by its proponents are:
  - Generally operates at higher speeds, with fewer stops, than buses, thus becoming a more attractive transit option than bus service.
  - Connects workers with jobs.
  - Stimulates economic development in the community in general and in close proximity to stations in particular.
  - Attracts new riders to transit (i.e., individuals who are unwilling to take a bus may find light rail an attractive alternative to the automobile).
  - Fixed infrastructure (rails, stations, overhead power system) indicates a certain level of predictability about future transit service, thereby giving real estate developers confidence in investments near light rail.
  - No air-pollutant emissions from light rail vehicles.
  - Makes it easier for tourists, conventioners and other out-of-town visitors to get around the city.
4. Over the past 3 decades, various public agencies, academic think tanks, business groups, elected officials and other community leaders have proposed or recommended the creation of a light rail system in Milwaukee. No concrete proposal is currently on the table, however.

5. In 1989, the federal government allocated \$241 million in transportation aid to the Milwaukee area. A decade later, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, the City and Milwaukee County reached an agreement to use \$91.5 million of these funds for a transit capital project to improve access for city residents to jobs, schools, health care and other services. Since 2000, the Milwaukee Connector Study and its Steering Committee, consisting of representatives of the City, the County, the Wisconsin Center District and the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce, have been exploring various options for using these funds. Most recently, the Steering Committee studied 2 transit options – bus rapid transit and a 2-line, 13-mile guided street tram system. The Common Council adopted a resolution expressing support for the guided street tram option (File 051610, adopted 5/9/06), but it was vetoed by the Mayor.
6. Mayor Tom Barrett’s “Comprehensive Strategy for Milwaukee” calls for implementation of 2 cross-town bus rapid transit lines and a downtown streetcar loop. County Executive Scott Walker has proposed 2 bus rapid transit lines only (on different route alignments than the Mayor’s proposal). Neither executive has advanced development of a light rail system for Milwaukee.
7. The Mayor’s 2009 Proposed Budget provides no funding related to the construction of a light rail system in Milwaukee.
8. The \$250 million in capital funding for a light rail system provided by this budget amendment would be used for the capital costs of constructing the system (laying track, installing overhead power infrastructure, constructing stations, acquiring rolling stock, etc.) and not for the costs of operating the system upon its completion. It is possible that these funds could be combined with the \$91.5 million in federal dollars for the Milwaukee Connector project (also earmarked for capital expenditures), provided that the Milwaukee Connector Steering Committee recommends development of a light rail system supported by the City or vice versa.

## **IMPACT**

1. This amendment creates a special capital project titled “Light Rail Infrastructure” to be funded in the 2009 Budget with \$250 million in tax-levy-supported general obligation borrowing.
2. The net impact of this amendment is an increase of the 2009 Budget by \$250,225,000 -- \$250,000,000 in the Capital Improvements budget plus a related \$225,000 increase in the City Debt budget. The impact on the City Debt budget is based on an assumption of \$10 million in first-year borrowing.
3. Since only the debt financing component of this capital project is tax-levy-funded, the amendment increases the tax levy by \$225,000, for a tax rate impact of +\$0.008 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

**OBJECTIVE, OVERALL BUDGET LEVY EFFECT OF THIS POSSIBLE AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET**

By Ald. Davis

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, CITY DEBT, PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS

Create a Special Capital Project titled "Light Rail Infrastructure" with \$250 million in tax levy supported General Obligation borrowing. Debt budget impact is based on first year borrowing of \$10 million.

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>TAX LEVY</u>	<u>TAX RATE EFFECT</u>
<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>EFFECT</u>	<u>(PER \$1,000 A.V.)</u>

Capital Improvements Budget	\$+250,000,000	\$+0	\$+0.000
City Debt Budget	<u>\$+225,000</u>	<u>\$+225,000</u>	<u>\$+0.008</u>
Total	\$+250,225,000	\$+225,000	\$+0.008

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	SECTION I.C.1. BUDGETS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS				
	SPECIAL CAPITAL PROJECTS OR PURPOSES				
450.3-17	Immediately following the line: "Carryover Borrowing*"				
	Insert the following lines and corresponding amounts: "Light Rail Infrastructure" "New Borrowing"	--	--	--	\$+250,000,000
	SECTION I.C.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET				
450.50-7	New Authorizations - City Share	--	--	\$63,046,745	\$+250,000,000
	SECTION I.D.1. BUDGET FOR CITY DEBT				
460.1-7	Bonded Debt (Interest)	--	--	\$52,194,449	\$+225,000
	SECTION I.D.2. SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR CITY DEBT				
460.2-18	Property Tax Levy	--	--	\$70,623,810	\$+225,000
	SECTION II. PROPOSED BORROWING AUTHORIZATIONS				
	A. Grants and Aids Projects				
580.1	Immediately following the line: "10. Housing public purpose under section 67.12(12)."				
	Insert the following line and corresponding amount: "11. Mass Transit - Light Rail infrastructure."	--	--	--	\$+250,000,000

Change totals, subtotals, and related amounts accordingly.