

Department of City Development

City Plan Commission Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation Redevelopment Authority Rocky Marcoux Commissioner

Martha L. Brown Deputy Commissioner

September 21, 2012

Mr. James Owczarski City Clerk Milwaukee Common Council City Hall, Room 205 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Owczarski:

RE: Communication File Regarding Changes to the 2012 Positions Ordinance

In an effort to maintain efficient and effective management of the City's In Rem properties, the Department of City Development (DCD) is submitting this file for introduction at the September 25, 2012 Common Council meeting. As you are aware, the number of tax-foreclosed properties has skyrocketed in the last several years. The City's inventory of tax-foreclosed properties currently stands at approximately 840 properties. The City Treasurer estimates that an additional 263 properties could be added to this inventory in October, 2012. Amending the 2012 Positions Ordinance to create the position requested below will allow the department to responsibly address the large volume of tax foreclosures, and the impacted tenants of these properties, within the City's inventory.

The previous manager has vacated the Redevelopment Authority position and, in consultation with the Budget Office, it was deemed it would be more appropriate to place the position in the City rather than the Redevelopment Authority. The 2012 budget contains sufficient funding for this position through the department's salary and wages account. The 2012 Positions Ordinance would need to be amended as follows:

<u>Caption/Position Title</u> DEPARTMENT OF CITY DEVELOPMENT Add

Real Estate and Development

In Rem Property Disposition Manager (X)

1 position

Thank you for your assistance regarding this matter. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Judy Allen of my staff at extension 6076.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux Commissioner