

Reply to Common Council File No. 071452  
From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File 071452 contains a resolution appropriating \$460,000 from the 2008 Common Council Contingent Fund for the remission of taxes. The funding is for the purpose of paying a civil judgment with US Bank. The payment relates to the assessment at twelve branch properties from 2001-2006.

Funding of \$500,000 was provided in the 2008 budget for remission of taxes. This will be insufficient to cover normal costs plus this judgment. Unfortunately, this judgment came after the adoption of the 2008 budget so it was impossible to provide the appropriate funding. Timely payment of this judgment will allow the city to avoid future interest costs that accumulate at 12% annually.

**RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION  
071452 APPROPRIATING \$460,000 FROM THE 2008 COMMON  
COUNCIL CONTINGENT FUND TO THE SPA-REMISSION OF TAXES.**

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