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Alderman Michael Murphy, Chair
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Re: Proposed Settlement of Metropolitan Associates v. City,
Case No. 07CV14475; Granville Holding v. City, Case No.
07CV14477; and Northland Apartments v. City, Case No. 07CV14471

Dear Committee Chairmen:

These matters are Wis. Stat. § 74.37 actions for property tax refunds for three large apartment complexes in the City of Milwaukee. This office, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Assessments, has negotiated a proposed settlement with these plaintiffs for appropriate refunds for their 2006, 2007 and 2008 assessments. This will result in a total refund from the City in the amount of \$174,647.95 if paid on or before February 28, 2009. Additional interest will be due if the principal amount is paid after that date.

We are hereby requesting approval of this settlement and a Contingent Fund appropriation for the payment of this settlement. This has been previously discussed with Commissioner of Assessments Mary Reavey and Budget Director Mark Nicolini. We would respectfully request that the proposed settlement be scheduled for hearing at the Judiciary & Legislation Committee meeting on February 2, 2009, and that the Contingent Fund appropriation be scheduled for the Finance & Personnel Committee meeting on February 4, with the request for consideration by the full Common Council at its meeting on February 10, 2009.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

Very truly yours,

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