

MEMORANDUM

TO: Common Council Members
 FROM: Keith Broadnax
 DATE: November 17, 2023
 RE: Summary of Mayoral Veto to the 2024 Adopted Budget

In a letter to the Common Council dated November 14, 2023, the Mayor vetoed the funding source for the items detailed in the table below in the 2024 Adopted Budget and offered a proposed substitute action for the funding source.

Currently, the items in the table below are levy-funded, and the Mayor's proposed substitute action funds them with the One Milwaukee Citizen-Led Transformational Fund. If the veto is sustained, the amount allocated for the One Milwaukee Citizen-Led Transformational Fund would be zero. The Mayor's proposed substitute changes the dollar amount in that fund from \$2,400,000 to \$2,130,152 and funds those items without additional levy.

The following chart is a summary of the vote count and names of the sponsors of the amendments the Common Council approved on November 3, 2023, which were affected by the veto. ***It is important to note that the Mayor did not veto the amendments in the chart below; however, he has opposed their source of funding.***

Amendment	Vote Count (Aye/No)	Sponsor(s)	Votes Opposed	Excused/ Abstained
5A: \$150k added to Equity & Inclusion Special Fund for Direct Connect MKE.	12-3	Coggs	Murphy, Spiker, Borkowski	N/A
21: Administrative Services Coordinator in Central Administration Division.	12-3	Perez	Murphy, Spiker, Borkowski	N/A

22: \$30k added to Hip Hop Week MKE.	12-3	Rainey	Murphy, Spiker, Borkowski	N/A
39: \$20k added to MKE Community Excellence Fund.	12-3	Chambers	Murphy, Spiker, Borkowski	N/A

Overriding the Veto – Voting “Aye”

The Council may override a Mayoral veto with a 2/3 concurrence of all members of the Council (10 votes). Overriding the Mayoral veto has the effect of placing the cost of the amendments approved by the Common Council on November 3, 2023, onto the levy. This would increase the tax rate by 0.09% and the tax bill of the average property owner by \$1.46 over the Mayor’s Budget.

Sustaining a Veto – Voting “No”

If the Mayor’s veto is sustained, he has proposed a substitute action. This action funds the levy-funded amendments with the One Milwaukee Citizen-Led Transformational Fund and adjusts the dollar amount in that account proportionately. The Mayor’s substitute action may be put before the Common Council for consideration, upon the motion of a member of the Council.

Common Council members may offer alternatives to the Mayor’s proposed substitute action. ***However, please note that every provision not vetoed by the Mayor – every other line in the budget – is now considered law and may not be amended.*** Please contact the Legislative Reference Bureau at your earliest convenience if you wish to propose a substitute amendment that is different from the Mayor’s proposed substitute.

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