BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

Executive Summary: 2011 City of Milwaukee Proposed Budget 2010

Hearing Date: October 8,

Expense Category	2009 Actual	2010 Budget	Difference	2011 Proposed	Change
Personnel Costs	\$208,336	\$239,292	14.9%	\$256,863	7.3%
Operating Expend.	\$36,946	\$47,656	29.0%	\$47,656	0.0%
TOTAL	\$245,282	\$286,948	17.0%	\$304,519	6.1%
Positions*	11	11	0	11	0
* Includes 7 Board of Zoning Appeals members					

Budget Overview

The 2011 Proposed Budget includes no changes in positions or operating expenditures for the Board of Zoning Appeals ("BOZA"), which is entirely funded through a special purpose account. Rising personnel costs (particularly fringe benefits) account for the 6.1% increase in this SPA's funding for 2011.

Revenues

As the following table shows, BOZA's revenues, which come from application fees, largely cover its operating expenditures. The 2011 Proposed Budget projects that BOZA will recover over 92% of its operating costs through fee revenues.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Expenditures vs. Revenues					
	2009	2010	2011		
	Actual	Budget	Proposed		
Expenditures	\$245,282	\$286,948	\$304,519		
Revenues	\$282,415	\$245,000	\$281,500		
Difference	\$37,133	(\$41,948)	(\$23,019)		

Board Activity/Performance

Year	Number of Appeals to BOZA
2006	737
2007	713
2008	729
2009	726
2010 YTD	517 (through 9/20)

Appeal Type	Pct. Of Appeals, 2009	
Special use permit	68.9%	
Dimensional variance	12.0%	
Change of operator	8.5%	
Use variance	7.8%	
Other	2.9%	

Year	Appeals Heard and Decided with One Hearing	Avg. No. of Days to Hear an Appeal and Issue Written Decision
2006	61%	27
2007	56%	30
2008	73%	34
2009	62%	35
2010 YTD	52%	45