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TO: Alderman Ashanti Hamilton, Chairman
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Members, Judiciary and Legislation Committee

FROM: Audra Brennan, Director
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RE: City of Milwaukee's 2011-12 Legislative Package

Attached for your consideration is a proposed 2011-12 Legislative Package for the City of Milwaukee. The proposals have been generated by City Departments, Common Council members and Mayor Barrett. Together they reflect issues of importance to the City that can be addressed by the State Legislature.

The legislative package focuses on strengthening the relationship between the City and State in order to achieve our shared goal of moving Milwaukee and Wisconsin forward. Departments were specifically asked to submit items for consideration which required State legislative action to provide better outcomes in one of the following strategic planning areas:

- City fiscal capacity and administration
- Public safety of City Residents
- Health of City Residents
- City Infrastructure
- Quality of life for City Residents (Education, Neighborhoods, Environment)
- Economic Well-being/ Job Opportunities in the City

The legislative package is comprised of two documents attached to this letter. The first attachment provides an overview of proposed priority areas for the legislative package and key proposals within each area. The second attachment includes a number of additional specific proposals which are organized by the specific strategic planning area they address.

Once the Legislature convenes in January 2011 the early months of the session will be dedicated to the Wisconsin State Budget which will be introduced by the Governor in mid February. We have indicated those items which we would propose to advocate for as part of the State budget.

The intent is that once this legislative package is approved by the Common Council, it includes all legislative initiatives that the Council approves the Intergovernmental Relations Division to pursue in the upcoming session as of this date. Additional items can be added through separate resolution. We anticipate the Council may seek to add recommendations that will be forthcoming from the African American Jobs Task Force in the near future.

The Intergovernmental Relations staff looks forward to providing you a more complete description of these initiatives and to responding to any of your questions regarding the 2011-12 Legislative Package.

cc: Mayor Tom Barrett

Attachments