



Department of City Development

City Plan Commission
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Redevelopment Authority

Rocky Marcoux
Commissioner

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Deputy Commissioner

February 8, 2012

Mr. James Owczarski
Deputy City Clerk
Milwaukee Common Council
City Hall, Room 205
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Mr. Owczarski:

RE: Communication File Regarding Changes to the 2012 Positions Ordinance

In an effort to maintain efficient and effective management of the City's In Rem properties, the Department of City Development (DCD) is submitting this file for introduction at the February 28, 2012 Common Council meeting. As you are aware, the number of tax-foreclosed properties has skyrocketed in the last several years. The City's inventory of tax-foreclosed properties currently stands at approximately 700 properties. Of these, 490 were added in 2011, and the City Treasurer estimates that between 700 to 800 properties could be added to this inventory in 2012. Amending the 2012 Positions Ordinance to create the position requested below will allow the department to responsibly address the large volume of tax foreclosures, and the impacted tenants of these properties, within the City's inventory.

The 2012 budget contains sufficient funding, included in the In Rem Property Management (R199) Special Fund, for salary and mileage reimbursement costs. The 2012 Positions Ordinance would need to be amended as follows:

<u>Caption/Position Title</u>	<u>Add</u>
DEPARTMENT OF CITY DEVELOPMENT	
<u>Real Estate and Development</u>	
Real Estate Specialist I (X)	1 position

Thank you for your assistance regarding this matter. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Judy Allen of my staff at extension 6076.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Commissioner