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Alderman Fredrick G. Gordon, Chair Finance and Personnel Committee City Hall, Room 205

Subject: Police Department Overtime and Salaries - Pay Period 18 Update

Dear Alderman Gordon:

This letter contains an update of Milwaukee Police Department's overtime, Violent Crime Task Force, and overall salaries through Pay Period 18 (September 11, 2003 check date).

Overtime

Depicted in Figure 1, as of Pay Period 17, the Police Department overtime has totaled over \$11.9 million, or \$660,000 per pay period (adjusted for the Milwaukee Police Association (MPA) settlement). This average does not include Pay Period 18, due to the Harley's 100th Anniversary impacts to overtime.

Using the per pay period average of \$660,000, the department could spend over \$17.2 million on overtime for 2003, or \$7.4 million over its MPA settlement adjusted \$9.8 million budget. The budgeted pay period average for overtime is approximately \$380,000.

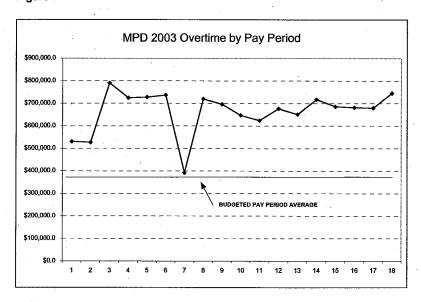
Violent Crime Task Force

Since Pay Period 2, the Violent Crime Task Force has expended \$4.3 million in overtime and accumulated \$1.2 million in compensatory time, for a total liability of \$5.5 million. If the department continues implementation of the task force at its current pay period average, the Violent Crime Task Force could spend \$6.3 million in overtime and accumulate \$1.7 million in compensatory time in 2003.

Salaries

The MPA settlement adjusted salary budget for the Milwaukee Police Department is \$128.7 million for 2003. This amounts to a per pay period average

Figure 1



of more than \$4.9 million. The department's actual average is \$5.2 million or approximately \$260,000 more than budgeted. The Police Department could spend \$138.2 million in salaries for 2003 or approximately \$9.5 million more than budgeted.

Summary

This projected shortfall means that the department will not have sufficient funds to cover payroll for Pay Periods 25 and 26 (November 23 through December 20, 2004). The Administration will soon be introducing a file regarding contingent borrowing to address the impending shortfall.

If you have further questions on this matter, please feel free to contact David Schroeder of my staff at extension 8524.

Sincerely,

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