March 30, 2006

To The Honorable
The Committee on Finance
and Personnel
Common Council
City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

Re: Common Council File 051593

The City of Milwaukee negotiating team and Public Employees' Union Local #61, LIUNA, AFL-CIO, CLC, have reached agreement on a grievance settlement that involved certain employees represented by Local 61, who were on seasonal layoff during September of 2005.

This grievance settlement involved the City providing the Union with a lump sum amount for a portion of pay lost by certain employees represented by Local 61, when they were not recalled to work during a nine day period in September of 2005. During that period when certain employees represented by Local 61 were on a seasonal layoff, the City had assigned up to 10 non-DPW Operations Division employees to a crew to pick up large brush piles from private and public trees that were damaged during a September 13, 2005, severe windstorm.

Enclosed are a copy of the resolution approving the agreement, a copy of the agreement and a copy of the fiscal note.

In view of the foregoing, we recommend adoption of the resolution approving the grievance settlement.

Sincerely,

Maria Monteagudo Director of Employee Relations

Enclosures

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Thomas Beamish
Elisabeth Schraith

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