

Reply to Common Council File No. 090044
From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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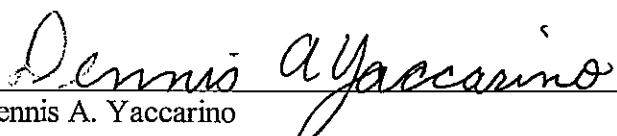
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Common Council File 090044 contains a resolution amending the 2009 snow and ice control fee. The current charge of \$0.5283 is recommended to increase to \$0.7411. The average single family property owner will experience an increase of \$9.15 in their bill.

Average snow and ice removal costs have risen to near \$7.1 million annually. There is \$5.0 million provided in the 2009 budget for snow and ice removal costs. The proposed fee increase will generate an additional \$2.0 million which will provide total funding near the average level.

If it turns out that this year experience is less than average snow and ice removal costs, the excess revenue will be used to retire the debt that was issued to cover the 2008 shortfall. That shortfall was caused by higher than normal snowfall.

**RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION
090044 THAT AMENDS THE 2009 SNOW AND ICE CONTROL FEE.**


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