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

Dear Committee Members:

Re: Common Council File Number 090951

- Analysis -

This report recommends adoption of pension benefit changes for nonmanagement/ nonrepresented employees for the years 2010-2011.

This report recommends adoption of pension benefit changes for nonmanagement/nonrepresented City employees for the years 2010-2011. These recommendations are comparable to pension benefit changes approved for employees represented by District Council 48, AFSCME, AFL-CIO.

Pension Benefits

- 1. Employees hired on or after 1/1/2010 shall be required to pay member contributions equal to 5.5%.
- 2. Effective 1/1/2010 through 12/31/2011 employees who retire from active service on a normal service retirement or an early retirement shall receive a 2% COLA increase after the first twelve months of retirement.
 - This provision shall expire 12/31/2011.
- 4. Employees who retire from active service between 1/1/2010 and 12/31/2010 on a normal service retirement or an early service retirement shall be eligible for a bonus year. That year may be, at the discretion of the employee, added to either age, for eligibility qualification, or years of service. The bonus year may be split into portions no smaller than full months and used for a combination of age and service not to exceed 12 months in total. If the bonus year is used as an additional year of service credit the total years of service cannot exceed 35, and will not be used to break the 70% cap. In order to be eligible for this benefit, employees

must provide notice only of their intent to retire during 2010 to their Department head or designee by August 31, 2010.

- This provision shall expire 12/31/2010.

We recommend approval of these pension benefit changes.

Sincerely,

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Employee Relations Director

Attachment:

Fiscal Note