Lee, Chris

From: Monteagudo, Maria

Sent: Monday, May 4, 2020 6:07 PM

To: Lee, Chris

Subject: FW: Budget Repair Initiatives as a result of the City's response to COVID-19

Importance: High

Hi Chris- please add this email from the City Treasurer to the file as well.

From: Treasurer

Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 3:48 PM

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Subject: RE: Budget Repair Initiatives as a result of the City's response to COVID-19

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The work performed by my office is essential to maintain the financial viability of our City, especially so during the pandemic.

Property taxes continue to need to be billed and collected, City accounts receivables need to be billed and collected, City bills and payroll need to be funded and paid, and funds need to be accounted for and invested.

Since we are a small department, every employee is considered essential and is needed to perform the work required of my office, in order to fulfill the City Treasurer Department's requisite responsibilities and duties.

The recent passage of Wisconsin Act 185 (which allows the Milwaukee County Board and City of Milwaukee Common Council to pass resolutions providing for a temporary moratorium on assessing interest and penalty charges on late property tax installments) has increased the number of constituent inquiries and will make processing property tax payments more cumbersome and time consuming.

Note, too, that the office is working with our software providers to bring the iNovah Cashier and Munis Tax interface on-line and to bring the latest Munis Tax upgrade on-line, which requires extensive parallel testing. The Munis Tax upgrade includes many software improvements that are urgently needed by my office. In addition, the Munis Tax customer data base is in desperate need of a "clean up" to assure the proper billing and mailing of property taxes. This is especially true for those customers on the automated payment plan, as

the Patriot CAMA import (that was used for the first time to generate the 2019 tax roll) created numerous duplicate customers. These undertakings cannot be postponed any longer.

As has always been the case, my office will continue to manage its operating expenditures prudently.

In light of the above, my office really cannot furlough or reduce employee hours worked without jeopardizing its ability to fulfill its requisite responsibilities and duties.

Respectfully,

City Treasurer

From: Monteagudo, Maria

Sent: Friday, April 24, 2020 7:18 PM

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Please see attached information. Departments are asked to complete the attached worksheet by the close of business on Monday April 27th. Please reach out over the weekend via email if you want to discuss. Stay home, stay safe. Thank you.

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