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Substitute resolution directing each City department to prepare and report to the Common Council the potential impacts of a budget reductions and fee increases on its operation and services provision.

This resolution directs each City department to work with the Budget and Management Division to prepare a report on the potential impacts of a 10%, 20% and 25% budgetary reduction, as well as possible fee increases, on each individual department's staffing, operations and services provision. The resolution further directs each department to present its findings of their findings at the February 13, 2023 meeting of the Steering and Rules Committee.

Whereas, The Common Council concluded the budget process for the 2023 Budget on November 22, 2022; and

Whereas, Those budget deliberations compelled the public to confront the possibility of a reduction in City services, such as in Library, Fire and EMS, due to a lack of revenue and looming pension obligations; and

Whereas, The Common Council voted to use ARPA funds to stave off cuts for this budget cycle under the promise of engaging with the Milwaukee residents and City departments early in the year to fully understand the magnitude of looming cuts; and

Whereas, Independent analyses have shown that as soon as 2025 the City of Milwaukee will need to account for a \$150 million deficit; and

Whereas, These analyses have also indicated that this budget deficit may require the termination of 1 in 4 City employees; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that every City department shall work with the Budget Office to analyze the impacts of a 10%, 20% and 25% budgetary reduction on each individual department's staffing, operations and services provision; and, be it

Further Resolved, That each department, alongside the Budget and Management Division, shall also include an analysis of possible fee increases as a part of its report; and, be it

Further Resolved, That each department, alongside the Budget and Management Division, shall report these findings to the Common Council in the same order as presentations made to the Finance and Personnel Committee during the budgeting process; and, be it

Further Resolved, That presentations shall be made to the Steering and Rules Committee, with the

first departments presenting at the February 13, 2023 meeting.

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