



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The proposed resolution will adopt the State Street Mall/Capitol Concourse 2017/2018 schedule of special charges for maintenance service. The City and property owners share the cost of the State Street Mall/Capitol Concourse Maintenance service. Total expenditures for the 2017/2018 service period were \$1,229,585. The City portion for these services is \$771,109. The remaining \$458,476 for the 2017/18 service period is chargeable to the property owners. This is an increase of \$12,296, or 2.76% over the prior year. Payments are budgeted for in the 2018 Parks Division Adopted Operating Budget.

Title

To approve the schedule of Special Charges for the State Street Mall/Capitol Concourse for 2017/18 Maintenance Charges.

Body

WHEREAS, the State Street Mall and Capitol Concourse area (the Mall Concourse) serves as the heart of downtown Madison, and is a treasured part of the community. In recognition of the importance of this area, and in the interest of supporting continued economic development downtown and maintaining the quality of life in the area and the City itself, the City has a dedicated maintenance team (Mall Maintenance) that is responsible for providing additional services to this heavily used area, including, but not limited to, daily trash collection, snow removal, sidewalk cleaning, landscaping services, and other general maintenance needs; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 35,075 dated October 23, 1979, mandated that a portion of the City's annual maintenance costs be specially charged to properties within the State Street Mall/Capitol Concourse District; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 37,401 dated September 29, 1981, adopted a policy for calculating such special charges as current services rendered at the conclusion of the service year, pursuant to Section 66.0627, Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, since 1982, a portion of these extra costs incurred by the City to maintain the Mall Concourse area have been recovered by imposing special charges against the properties within the Mall Concourse area served by the City's Mall Concourse program. The costs are recovered on an annual basis based upon the actual services provided in the preceding period; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution No. RES-08-00931 dated October 10, 2008, adopted a policy for determining such charges based upon a combination of parcel square footage and effective service frontage length; and,

WHEREAS, the 2011 Adopted Operating Budget Resolution created a new permanent staff position to be funded exclusively by the special charges; and,

WHEREAS, the 2012 Adopted Operating Budget Resolution established a State Street Mall / Capitol Concourse landscaping program to be funded exclusively by the special charges; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 Adopted Operating Budget Resolution included an expansion of the State Street Mall / Capitol Concourse service area; and,

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has determined that the provisions of Wisconsin Statute 66.0627 shall be followed in the imposition of special charges for said maintenance costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the 2018 Special Charges for the State Street Mall and Capitol Concourse provided in Schedule A are hereby adopted in accordance with Sections 4.09(13) of the Madison General Ordinances and Wis. Stat. Sec. 66.0627; and,

That such Special Charges shall not be payable in installments; and,

That these Special Charges shall represent an exercise of the police power of the City of Madison; and,

That the date by which such special charges shall be paid in full is January 31, 2019.