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From: Matalin Schoone, Common Council
Date: July 14, 2021
Subject: 2022 Operating Budget Transmittal Memo

Major Goals

The 2022 operating budget request for the Common Council Office seeks to put forth a spending plan consistent with the Common Council's directive. In our proposal, we are requesting a budget that demonstrates our office's ability to seek innovative solutions to improve our response to alder requests for service and providing the highest quality service for the common good of our residents and visitors.

COVID Recovery

The Common Council Office continues to respond to alders and residents' concerns during the COVID Response & Recovery using currently available (and any future) city resources.

2022 Request & Equity

The Common Council's mission is to represent all residents of Madison by promoting the safety, health, and general well-being of the community by incorporating the following city core values into our work with currently available resources:

- **Equity** - Committed to fairness, justice, and equal outcomes for all.
- **Civic Engagement** - Commitment to transparency, openness and inclusivity. We will protect freedom of expression and engagement.
- **Well-Being** - Committed to creating a community where all can thrive and feel safe.
- **Shared Prosperity** - Dedicated to creating a community where all are able to achieve economic success and social mobility.
- **Stewardship** - Caring for our natural, economic and social resources.

2022 Request & Sustainability

The Common Council continues to support sustainability throughout the city using available current and future resources.

Major Changes in 2022 Operating Request

- **Other Personnel:** Intern hired at \$20/hr. for 37.5 hours per week for a 3 month duration.
 - The Council Office has a history of hiring interns to both support Council functions, as well as increase the education and work history of the individual. With a staff of four (when fully staffed) to serve 20 alders, the addition of an intern will allow for more efficient service delivery.
- **Non-Personnel:** Increase Aldermanic Expense accounts to \$2,425.
 - Prior to the 2021 Executive Budget, \$2,425 was the amount of funding historically included in Alder Expense Accounts. This increase would restore these accounts to pre-2021 levels.

Summary of Reductions

No reductions.

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