From: City of Madison <noreply@cityofmadison.com>

Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 10:12 AM

To: All Alders

Subject: [All Alders] Council Salary Increases

Recipient: All Alders:

Tue, 12/05/2023 - 10:09

Ken Butch 2413 Muir Field Rd

Madison, Wisconsin. 53719 Yes, by email. <u>kjbutch@hotmail.com</u> All Alders Council Salary Increases What is this about voting yourself a substantial pay increase? Didn't you know what the salary and time commitment was before you went thru the election process? If you didn't, then you do not have enough foresight to be a Council member. It is meant to be a position of public service with a nominal stipend.

Voting yourself a raise is not in the spirit of the position. Being a Council member is not a career. If you do not understand these terms, you should not be seeking Council membership. If you vote yourself a raise, you will not have my vote in your next election.

From:	Brian Hanneman bhannema@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, December 4, 2023 9:18 PM
To:	All Alders

Subject: Council member pay raises

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Dear Alders,

Due to the scaling back of our essential services such as our police department budget, etc., I hope the pay raises being considered by some of our alders can be canceled too. We just received our property tax bill and we can't afford that increase in 2 years either.

Respectfully,

Brian

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mary Kelly <realtormarykelly@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 6, 2023 5:21 PM

To: All Alders **Subject:** Pay raises

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I thank you for any work you have done to make our city a safe and affordable place to live and raise a family. I ask that you show your constituents your integrity by not asking for a raise for yourselves when their families are struggling themselves.

A raise would be an insult to your constituents that are going to food pantry's just to make ends meet. Model for your people you serve that an alder is a service to the community and not a corporate job that indeed has raises.

Your people are struggling!!

Be honorable, tell them you stand WITH them, not above them.

Thank you!

Mary Kelly

Sent from my iPhone

From: City of Madison <noreply@cityofmadison.com>

Sent: Tuesday, December 5, 2023 5:33 PM

To: All Alders

Subject: [All Alders] Raise Alder pay

Recipient: All Alders:

Tue, 12/05/2023 - 17:28

Jim Wold

Mr.

2845 Hoard St.

Madison, Wisconsin. 53704 No, do not contact me. All Alders Raise Alder pay Apparently there is some move afoot to raise pay for Alders from \$15,000 a year to \$24,000 a year. (Amounts are approximate) About a 60% increase. \$9000 divided by \$15,000 yields 60%.

NO. Just no. Inflation peaked in 2022 at 9%, in 2023 at 6%. That yields 15%. I can see you folks getting a raise to deal with inflation. I could accept you going up to \$18,000 maybe even \$19,000. Around a 20% increase. But 60% is just ludicrous.

Just No. Match inflation, and maybe add tad more, yes. But 60%? No.