## CITY OF MADISON INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE Common Council Office 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Room 417 Madison WI 53703 266-4071

DATE: June 7, 2013

TO: Common Council Members

Mayor Paul Soglin

FROM: Ald. Chris Schmidt, Common Council President & Ald. Scott Resnick, Common

Council President Pro Tem

SUBJECT: June 18, 2013 Common Council Meeting: Committee of the Whole – Briefing &

**Discussion on 2014 Budget** 

The Finance Director, David Schmiedicke, will be providing an overview of current budget expenditures and anticipated revenue challenges we will likely be facing in 2014. The Committee of the Whole meeting will follow our regularly scheduled Common Council meeting on June 18, 2013. To maximize the time and benefits of this upcoming special Common Council meeting we are suggesting the following rules be established at the beginning of the meeting as a Committee of the Whole:

- The Chair manages the meeting (Council President or Pro Tem).
- o Chair can speak from the chair and not have to step down.
- Questions of, or comments to, alders do not need to go through the chair.
- Public testimony will not be taken at this meeting. Opportunities for the public to address the Council on the budget will be afforded at Common Council meetings in September, October and November.

We are allotting two (2) hours for this meeting. To use our limited discussion time more efficiently we are asking that alders consider what their top capital budget and operating budget priorities (up to three (3) for each) prior to the meeting. The meeting will begin with a "round" at which point Alders will be asked to talk about their goals and priorities for the 2014 budget.

If you have questions about this meeting please feel free to contact us. Thank you.

ecc: Michael May, City Attorney

David Schmiedicke, City Finance Director Deb Simon, City Finance Department Maribeth Witzel-Behl. City Clerk