

CITY OF FRANKLIN  
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING\*  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2011, 6:00 P.M.

FRANKLIN CITY HALL, COMMON COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
9229 WEST LOOMIS ROAD  
FRANKLIN, WISCONSIN 53132

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Citizen Comment Period
- III. A. Presentation of Mayor's veto for Ordinance No. 2011-2062, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2012 ANNUAL BUDGETS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, LIBRARY FUND, SEWER SERVICE FUND, CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND, EQUIPMENT REVOLVING FUND, STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, DEBT SERVICE FUND AND TIF DISTRICT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY AND OTHER REVENUE TO SUPPORT THE 2012 BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, as amended.
- IV. Adjournment

\*Notice is given that a majority of the Finance Committee may attend this meeting to gather information about an agenda item over which the Finance Committee has decision-making responsibility. This may constitute a meeting of the Finance Committee per State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Board, even though the Finance Committee will not take formal action at this meeting.

Notice is further given that upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, please contact the Franklin City Clerk's office at (414) 425-7500.

APPROVAL  slw	REQUEST FOR  COUNCIL ACTION	MEETING DATE  11/29/2011
Reports and Recommendations	Presentation of Mayor's veto for Ordinance No. 2011-2062, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2012 ANNUAL BUDGETS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, LIBRARY FUND, SEWER SERVICE FUND, CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND, EQUIPMENT REVOLVING FUND, STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, DEBT SERVICE FUND AND TIF DISTRICT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY AND OTHER REVENUE TO SUPPORT THE 2012 BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, as amended	ITEM NUMBER  III.A.

Pursuant to §62.09(8)(c), Wis. Stats., presented herewith is the Mayor's veto and objections to the action of the Common Council with regard to Item G.2. on the November 15, 2011, Council agenda. The action of the Council was as follows:

"Alderman Solomon moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2011-2062, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2012 ANNUAL BUDGETS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, LIBRARY FUND, SEWER SERVICE FUND, CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND, EQUIPMENT REVOLVING FUND, STREET IMPROVEMENT FUND, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, DEBT SERVICE FUND AND TIF DISTRICT FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY AND OTHER REVENUE TO SUPPORT THE 2012 BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN. Seconded by Alderman Schmidt.

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Alderman Olson moved to remove two light equipment operators from Public Works. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Alderman Olson moved to remove one health nurse from the Health Department. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Alderman Olson moved that the record of this meeting include his motions to amend the main motion, along with the lack of seconds for the motions. Seconded by Alderman Taylor. All voted Aye; motion carried.

Alderman Taylor moved to amend the motion to remove \$64,000 (\$47,000 for Planning Department supervision and \$17,000 for Administrative changes for a COO position) from the Contingency Fund and use for tax levy reduction. Seconded by Alderman Olson. On roll call, Aldermen Olson, Wilhelm, Taylor, and Schmidt voted Aye; Alderman Solomon voted No. Motion carried.

Alderman Olson moved to amend the motion to restore the Mayor's elimination of one Planner, subject to Mayor's discretion and consultation with the Common Council. Seconded by Alderman Wilhelm. On roll call, Alderman Olson voted Aye; Aldermen Schmidt, Taylor, Wilhelm, and Solomon voted No. Motion failed.

Alderman Olson moved that \$2.8 million for the Water and Sewer Utility building be moved to next year's budget with the offset with transfer in from Water Utility and add \$417,000 to the Marquette Avenue project. Seconded by Alderman Wilhelm. Alderman Olson withdrew his motion and Alderman Wilhelm withdrew her second.

At 8:10 p.m., Mayor Taylor passed the gavel to Council President Taylor, who then chaired the meeting. The gavel was returned to Mayor Taylor at 8:15 p.m. who returned to chairing the meeting.

*Alderman Solomon moved to amend the motion to include that any funding received from the Milwaukee County paramedic program be applied to the Fire and Police Department, to be divided equally. Seconded by Alderman Taylor. Alderman Solomon withdrew his motion and Alderman Taylor withdrew his second.*

*Alderman Olson moved to suspend regular order of business to allow Police Chief Oliva and Fire Chief Martins to speak. Seconded by Alderman Wilhelm. All voted Aye; motion carried.*

*Alderman Taylor, seconded by Alderman Olson, moved to return to the regular order of business. All voted Aye; motion carried.*

*Alderman Solomon moved to amend the motion to move \$64,000 from tax levy reduction to Fire and Police equally. Seconded by Alderman Taylor. On roll call, all voted Aye. Motion carried.*

*On the main motion as amended, Aldermen Schmidt, Taylor, and Solomon voted Aye; Aldermen Wilhelm and Olson voted No. Motion carried.*

[A vote on this action should be taken to determine if the action of the Council shall be effective notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor. This “override” must be by two-thirds vote of all members of the Council (4).]

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

**From:** tom2563@att.net [mailto:tom2563@att.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 20, 2011 4:59 PM  
**To:** 'swesolowski@franklinwi.gov'  
**Subject:** budget veto

**FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR THOMAS M. TAYLOR  
OF THE  
CITY OF FRANKLIN, WISCONSIN**

Sunday, November 20, 2011 4:56:50 PM

Dear City Clerk Wesolowski,

This letter and the electronic message I sent you today is to inform you that after considerable thought and consultation from the City of Franklin's Finance Director, I am vetoing the motion found below from the City of Franklin's Common Council.

I have concluded that the motion or series of motions made by the City of Franklin's Common Council this last Tuesday may jeopardize public safety due to a reduction in funding for the City of Franklin's Police and Fire departments and could cause funding problems in next year's budget as that budget relates to expenditure restraint eligibility.

I am vetoing the actions found below of the Common Council because it is my contention that the tax rate and tax levy increases of the Common Council that significantly exceed my recommended tax rate and tax levy reductions are unnecessary and will be viewed by many of the people of Franklin negatively, especially in this time of economic uncertainty.

I am also vetoing the action of the Common Council because I believe the people of Franklin were not fully informed of the tax increases recommended by the City's Finance Committee to the Council because of little to no press coverage regarding the 2012 Budget. I state the above because I received only four calls on the budget I submitted and zero calls regarding the Finance Committee's recommended budget which signals to me that the general public is not fully aware that the Common Council's budget contains tax rate and tax levy increases above those contained in my recommended budget. I also believe that the general public is not aware that the actions of the Common Council reduce funding for essential services like police and fire while restoring funding to a non-essential position like a Planner. Therefore as the mayor of the city I am using my position to allow the people of Franklin to contact their elected officials regarding the tax rate and tax levy increases that go beyond the budget I recommended to the City's Finance Committee early in the year and that reduce funding to our police and fire departments.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding the information contained in this message, please contact me immediately.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Taylor  
Mayor, City of Franklin