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The Honorable Mayor Dan Devine and Members of the Common Council 7525 W. Greenfield Avenue West Allis WI 53214

Subject:

Publicizing Names of Delinquent Property Taxes, etc.

Dear Mayor Devine and Common Council Members:

Recently, Jeff Warchol, West Allis Assistant City Attorney, provided me information about the City of Brookfield's program of publicizing the names of delinquent personal property taxes in the Brookfield NOW newspaper. It occurred to us that the City of West Allis should consider a similar program.

A West Allis program of this nature could include not only real estate and personal property taxes, but it could also include other unpaid items and accounts. The names listed could be everyone or just the habitual offenders. The list could be maintained on the City's Intranet so it can be accessed by all departments to be kept up to date. Names could be listed in a variety of media formats, including newspapers, the City web site, the City cable channel, the City newsletter, and possibly other targeted listings.

Your consideration and direction in this regard is requested. If you have any questions or desire further information or clarification, please feel free to contact Jeff Warchol or me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Paul M. Ziehler,

City Administrative Officer, Clerk/Treasurer

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