

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
JULY 12, 2005**

Honorable Mayor and Common Council
City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, July 12, 2005, to discuss proposed bills pending before the Wisconsin Legislature.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeannette Bell
Paul Ziehler, City Administrative Officer, City Clerk/Treasurer
Gary Schmid, Manager of Finance

EXCUSED: Jim Sengstock, Common Council President
Scott Post, City Attorney

LEAGUE: 26-27

1. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION

AB509 **LIABILITY OF MUNICIPALITIES FOR DAMAGES CAUSED BY AN INSUFFICIENCY OR WANT OF REPAIR OF A HIGHWAY**
Refer to Scott Post, Paul Ziehler, and Mike Lewis.

AB515 **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING OVER HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**
OPPOSE, because the bill would require 50% of any health care plan change coverage savings to be paid to employees in increased salaries.

AB518 **FACTORS CONSIDERED IN RENDERING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ARBITRATION DECISION**
FAVOR, because the bill would improve the collective bargaining parameters for local governments.

AB519 **DISCLOSURE OF HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIMS EXPERIENCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS**
No position.

1. **REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION Cont'd**

- AB538 **SETOFFS AGAINST INCOME TAX REFUNDS FOR DEBTS RELATED TO PROPERTY TAXES**
FAVOR, because the bill would provide additional opportunities for cities and counties to collect outstanding debts.
- AB543 **COLLECTION OF INFORMATION REGARDING MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS, LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING STANDARDS**
Refer to Dean Puschnig.
- SB249 **ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS**
Refer to Paul Ziehler.
- SB253 **RESTORATION OF A NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE DESTROYED BY VANDALISM OR CERTAIN NATURAL FORCES**
Refer to Scott Post, Ted Atkinson, and John Stibal.
- AB512 **TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AT RAILROAD CROSSINGS AND PROVIDING A PENALTY**
Refer to Mike Lewis.
- AB513 **LEAVE PROVIDED TO EMPLOYEES FOR VOTING ON ELECTION DAY AND GRANTING CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEES A HOLIDAY ON THE DAY OF THE GENERAL ELECTION**
Refer to Paul Ziehler.
- AB514 **AUTHORITY OF THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE**
Refer to Scott Post.

2. **REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION**

- AB482 **APPEALING A DETERMINATION BY THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS**
No position.
- AB472 **ADMISSIBILITY OF DIGITALLY PRODUCED PHOTOGRAPH, FILM, MOTION PICTURE, AUDIO, OR VIDEO**
OPPOSE, because the bill would create unneeded barriers to the admission of digital photos into evidence.
- AB366 **NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS**
No position.

3. OTHER

a.) Outstanding Referrals.
None.

b.) Correspondence.
Mayor Bell sent a letter to Governor Doyle asking for a veto on two \$500,000 brownfield set asides for the City of Madison, which takes money out of the fund in which the City competes.

Jeannette Bell, Mayor