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## City of West Allis Matter Summary

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# LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES FEBRUARY 8, 2005

Honorable Mayor and Common Council City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, February 8, 2005, to discuss proposed bills pending before the Wisconsin Legislature.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeannette Bell

Paul Ziehler, City Administrative Officer, City Clerk/Treasurer

Scott Post, City Attorney

Gary Schmid, Manager of Finance

**EXCUSED:** Jim Sengstock, Common Council President

LEAGUE: 1-5

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

General orientation provided for the benefit of Gary Schmid, new member to Legislative Committee. The Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance legislative service has been discontinued. This will alter/change our processing method for legislative review.

## 2. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION

## SB5 CREATION OF JOINT CMTE ON STATE MANDATES AND REQUIRED FUNDING OF STATE MANDATES

FAVOR, because the bill would require review of state programs with respect to required funding for any state mandates.

#### AB2 ELIMINATE JOINT SURVEY CMTE ON TAX EXEMPTIONS

OPPOSE, because the bill would eliminate the review process for tax exemptions without replacing it with another alternative oversight process.

## AB24 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OR ADJUSTMENT QUORUM

REQUIREMENTS

OPPOSE, because the bill would reduce and weaken the number of votes needed to overrule the Building Inspector's decisions.

## AB35 QUALIFICATIONS OF NEWSPAPERS PERMITTED TO PUBLIC

**LEGAL NOTICES** 

FAVOR, because the bill would give the City more flexibility and save money in meeting its publication requirements.

## AB44/ TAX EXEMPTIONS

AJR10 Hold for further discussion.

## AB45/ COUNTY ORDINANCES REGARDING DRUG PARAPHERNALIA AND

SB21 MARIJUANA POSSESSION

Refer to Dean Puschnig and Scott Post.

### AB52 PAYMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

OPPOSE, because the bill would delay payments of personal property taxes; by extending the time, the City would lose investment earnings and delinquents would be longer to find.

## AB56 ACTIONS INVOLVING FIREARMS

OPPOSE, because the bill would prohibit cities from taking action in this regard if it ever wanted to, thus limiting our home rule authority.

## AB58/ REVENUE LIMITS AND LEVY LIMITS

SB28 OPPOSE, because the bill would limit the City's ability to raise the levy to meet increasing expenses and maintain quality level of services.

#### AB61 RESIDENCY OF ELECTION OFFICIALS

No position.

## AB63/ VOTER ID

SB42 Refer to Paul Ziehler.

### AB68 IMPROVING THE TAX REFUND INTERCEPT PROGRAM

FAVOR, because the bill would expand and enhance the City's ability to secure past due accounts.

## SB34 METHOD OF FILLING VACANCIES IN LOCAL ELECTIVE OFFICES

Refer to Scott Post.

## SB2/ REGIONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM REQUIREMENTS

AB25 Refer to Steve Hook and Dean Puschnig.

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SB3 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR ARTS

OPPOSE, because the bill would further erode tax bases of cities.

AB40 FORFEITURE OF MONEY DERIVED FROM DRUG CRIME

Refer to Dean Puschnig.

AB48 DRUG PARAPHERNALIA

Refer to Dean Puschnig and Scott Post.

AB60 RESIDENCY OF CERTAIN ELECTION OFFICIALS

Refer to Paul Ziehler.

2. REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION

None.

3. OTHER

None.

Jamette Bell, Mayor

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