

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 25, 2007**

Honorable Mayor and Common Council
City of West Allis, Wisconsin

The Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, September 25, 2007, to discuss proposed bills pending before the Wisconsin Legislature.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeannette Bell
Ald. Jim Sengstock
Paul Ziehler, City Administrative Officer, City Clerk/Treasurer
Scott Post, City Attorney
Gary Schmid, Manager of Finance

LEAGUE: 32-33

1. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION

- AB496 LIMITING SEARCHABILITY OF MUNICIPAL WEBSITES**
Refer to Jim Jandovitz and Chuck Ruud.
- SB248 AUTHORIZING CREATION OF LOCAL PARK DISTRICTS**
Refer to Paul Ziehler.
- SB258 ELECTION OF METROPOLITAN SEWAGE COMMISSIONERS**
No position.
- SB265 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**
Refer to Audrey Key.
- SB266 PREEMPTING MUNICIPAL COMMERCIAL BUILDING STANDARDS**
OPPOSE, because the bill would prohibit the City from setting standards for construction repair and maintenance of public buildings, thus making these facilities less safe.
- SB268 COMMUNICATING WITH NEIGHBORHOODS REGARDING GROUP HOMES**
Refer to Scott Post and John Stibal

1. REVIEW OF NEW LEGISLATION Con'td.

**AB500 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST REGARDING LIQUOR LICENSE
ISSUANCE**

Refer to Scott Post.

AB506 SHARED REVENUE FUNDING LEVEL

OPPOSE, because the bill would establish shared revenue funding levels separately from the entire state budget which should be considered as part of the total budget. In addition, the funding level is at the same level and should be modified to include a modest increase.

AB507 LEVY LIMITS

OPPOSE, because the bill would establish a levy limit separate from other municipal budget policies, which should be considered as part of the total package. In addition, the levy limit is at 2%, which should be increased to 3-4% for an older, mature city like West Allis.

**AB498 TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT FOR CERTAIN DRUNKEN DRIVING
OFFENSES AND PROVIDING A PENALTY**

Refer to Dean Puschnig.

SB261 GRAFFITI AND PROVIDING A PENALTY

Refer to Mike Pertmer and Scott Post.

**AB483 ABATEMENT OR REMOVAL OF HUMAN HEALTH HAZARDS,
REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LOCAL HEALTH OFFICERS,
PERSONNEL OF A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, STATE
AGENCY STATUS FOR CERTAIN PHYSICIANS, COMMUNITY
HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLANS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES, REQUIRING THE EXERCISE OF RULE-MAKING
AUTHORITY, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES**

Refer to Terry Brandenburg.

2. REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION

**SB243 PREPARATION TIME AS A MANDATORY SUBJECT OF
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

No position.

2. REVIEW OF REFERRED LEGISLATION Cont'd.

AB452 CREATING A HOMEOWNER'S PROPERTY TAX CREDIT, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOOL PROPERTY INCOME TAX CREDIT, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION
OPPOSE, because the bill would increase the maximum percent for the property tax credit on the income taxes from 12% to 16% only for renters not property owners; these different amounts would not be fair and consistent.

AB485 DISTRIBUTION OF ACCUMULATED ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE WRS
No position.

3. OTHER

- a.) Outstanding Referrals.
 - AB25** Dean Puschnig/Mike Lewis (2/27/07)
 - AB22** Dean Puschnig (2/27/07)
- b.) Correspondence.
 - Letter from Rep. Tony Staskunas acknowledging opposition to AB207/SB107 (Cable Bill).
- c.) Communication from Wisconsin Alliance of Cities requesting the City adopt a resolution on the pending state budget. Legislative Committee to sponsor resolution for introduction by Advisory Committee to the Common Council.

Jeannette Bell, Mayor