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Summary of City Council FY 2010 Budget Ideas

The attached summary of Council budget ideas, as submitted in individual Council memoranda, is provided to facilitate Budget Review Committee discussions. To show commonality of ideas, we have separated them by items that may be considered for the FY 2010 Budget and items that should be studied commencing in FY 2010 for future implementation. Within those two groups, we have categorized them by the following areas:

- FY 2010 Budget Ideas
 - Ideas for FY 2010 Budget
 - Ideas for FY 2010 Budget; Requires Identification of Funding
 - Programs or Policies for Possible Implementation in FY 2010
- Items for Study in FY 2010
 - New Initiatives and Reforms
 - Revenues and Resources

We have also noted the number of times an idea, or a similar idea, was mentioned. Of the fifty-four (54) ideas, twelve (12) were mentioned by two Council members, and one (1) idea received three mentions. The remaining forty-one (41) items were mentioned by a single Council member. Since there was wide disparity in approach to the memoranda, from global reforms to specific line items, the number of times an item was mentioned cannot necessarily be translated to either support, or lack of support, for an item.

The FY 2010 budget development process is on a very tight timetable, which requires final budget modifications to be adopted by Council on June 8, 2009. It is our intent that

collating the information in this way will allow the Budget Review Committee to target top priorities at this hearing and utilizing further time allotted for deliberations on Monday, May 18, 2009. An approach the Budget Review Committee may want to take to the fifty-four (54) ideas is to identify those items of highest priority and with the greatest consensus for consideration in the FY 2010 budget, while requesting additional research of the other items by the Mayor's Office and the IBA to address during the year for potential incorporation at Mid-Year or in FY 2011.

While the IBA is not at this time recommending or discounting any of the ideas contained herein for the FY 2010 Budget, we remind the Committee that our report with final recommendations for the budget will be completed on May 29, 2009 for submission to the Budget Review Committee for a final vote on June 3, 2009.

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