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It's a wonderful relief

Alderman Donovan exploring rebate of city snow and ice fee

Statement from Alderman Bob Donovan

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I applaud Mayor Barrett for using some common sense and lifting the winter parking restrictions through January 1, 2016. And he certainly looked Santa-like in making the announcement yesterday, with his red jacket, red tie and that silver hair.

(To be honest I am disappointed the winter parking move by the mayor still requires those affected by alternate side parking to comply with those requirements, and Santa will still need to check those signs before parking his sleigh!).

But I say there's no need to stop there, as we've just approved charging our beleaguered property owners a hefty annual snow and ice fee – when there's no snow and no signs of ice!

I will be exploring legislation to give city property owners a snow and ice fee rebate – at the very least a percentage rebate – and I'm hoping the mayor will join me in support of this “giving” move.

While the rebate (if it passes) may not come for months, I am certain it will be warmly welcomed by our over-taxed and under-policed homeowners.

I believe the meaning of Christmas isn't about what you do at Christmastime, but rather the Christmastime things you do all year long.

Merry Christmas, Milwaukee, and God bless everyone!

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