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## **Common Council will review arena plan in series of meetings beginning August 31**

With the Governor's signature on the state's funding plan for a new Milwaukee Bucks arena, the Milwaukee Common Council will now undertake a thorough and transparent review of the city's proposed contribution to the project, starting with a **special meeting of the Steering and Rules Committee on August 31**.

"I want to ensure that we are as inclusive as possible at the city level," **Common Council President Michael J. Murphy** said. "To that end, citizens will be given an opportunity to offer their input and views on the plan as it's been proposed, because they haven't yet been afforded any such opportunity."

**The Office of the Comptroller will present its fiscal analysis of the proposal to the Steering and Rules Committee at a special meeting on Monday, August 31 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301-B of City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.** The Department of City Development will also explain the city's proposed contribution in detail. Members of the public are invited to attend, and those who wish will be afforded the opportunity to speak.

"This meeting will stress the importance of digging into the numbers, because this proposal has the potential to impact the city for decades to come," Alderman Murphy said. "I look forward to the comptroller's fiscal impact analysis."

Legislative files regarding the city's proposed contribution to the arena project will be heard at the regular September meetings of the **Finance and Personnel Committee** and the **Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee**.

"Working with President Murphy, Finance and Personnel Committee Chair Nik Kovac and other members of the Council, we will ensure that this process is as accessible and transparent to the residents of this community as possible," said **Alderman Jim Bohl**, chair of the Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee.