Committee to take up resolution in support of equity amid furloughs, budget restrictions

A Common Council resolution directing the Department of Administration – Budget and Management Division to report how each department’s proposed and future cuts and furloughs will impact the equitable impact on services to all neighborhoods, districts, and communities -- and on affected City employees -- will be heard at 9 a.m. TODAY (Wednesday, May 20) by the Finance and Personnel Committee.

Authored by Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs, the legislation (Council file #200057) is co-sponsored by Alderwoman Chantia Lewis, Alderman Khalif J. Rainey, Alderwoman Nikiya Dodd, Alderman Russell W. Stamper, II and Alderman Ashanti Hamilton.

“As drastic measures that include furloughing city workers are underway, it is important to make sure that equity is at the forefront and we do not reduce offerings and impact quality of life at a disproportionate rate in certain areas,” said Alderwoman Coggs, a member of the Finance and Personnel Committee.

“We want to make sure the impact of these furloughs and other cost saving measures are abundantly clear so that we can all be transparent with our constituents on what services will see changes moving forward,” the alderwoman said.

Today’s meeting will be televised live on the City Channel (channel 25 on Spectrum Cable and channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse in the City of Milwaukee) and via streaming video on the city website at city.milwaukee.gov/Channel25.

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