



**PETER BURGELIS**  
ALDERMAN, 11TH DISTRICT

## **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

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- Finance and Personnel Committee
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- Licenses Committee

## **In support of public safety**

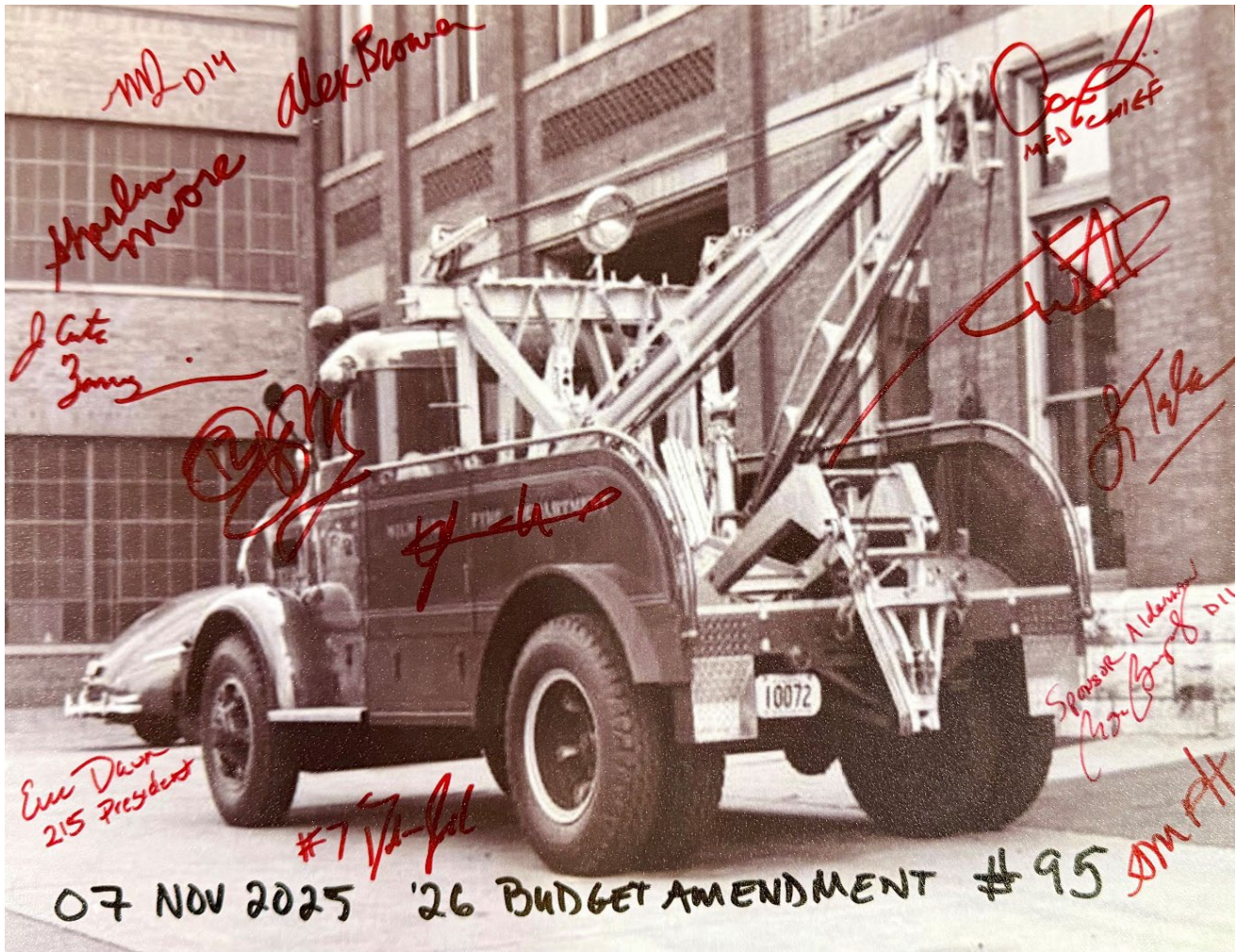
### **Statement of Alderman Peter Burgelis November 7, 2025**

With today's vote, the Common Council made a responsible and necessary investment in public safety. Our firefighters cannot be expected to protect this city with engines and ladder trucks that are well beyond their recommended service life. Replacing aging apparatus is not optional - it is essential to ensuring reliable emergency response in every neighborhood.

This \$10 million allocation adopted today as part of the 2026 City budget gives the Milwaukee Fire Department the resources to put safe, dependable equipment into service, and helps prevent avoidable failures that put both residents and firefighters at risk. We have more work ahead to rebuild a fleet that has been underfunded for years, but today's action is a significant step toward restoring the level of readiness our residents expect and deserve. I'm grateful to my colleagues Alderman Mark Chambers, Jr., Alderman Lamont Westmoreland, Alderwoman Marina Dimitrijevic, Alderwoman Sharlen Moore, Alderperson JoCasta Zamarripa, Alderman DiAndre Jackson, and Alderwoman Larresa Taylor for co-sponsoring this public safety priority.

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The below, undated photo of a Milwaukee Fire Department tow truck is signed by Fire Chief Lipski, Association President Daun, and the 11 Council Members who voted in favor of the amendment.



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