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MEDIA ADVISORY

Common Council To Take Up Mayoral Veto on Firefighter Staffing

The Milwaukee Common Council meets tomorrow (**Wednesday, November 29, 2006**) **at 1:30 p.m.** in a special session to consider the only veto by Mayor Tom Barrett in the 2007 city budget.

At issue is the number of firefighters on fire department ladder trucks. On November 10th, aldermen voted 14-1 to reduce staffing for five of the city's 16 ladder companies from five firefighters to four. Mayor Barrett wanted to reduce staffing levels for half of the companies and vetoed the council decision.

Only 10 votes would be needed to override the veto.

The meeting will be held in the third floor Common Council chamber at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St. **Media coverage is invited.**

This will be the last step in finalizing the 2007 city budget.

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