

## Proposed Budget Amendments

1. Proposed amendment to change the income level for the Municipal Waste and Recycling fee to parallel the Adjusted Home Income limits for ABE area: in effect changing 30,000 to 34,540 at the 10% level and no rebate over 34,451 per below. Should the AHI change in the future, a bill would need to be introduced to make the adjustments. The was sponsored by Councilpersons Gerlach, Mota, Napoli, Hendricks, Zucal and supported by the Administration.

- [i] The total household income from all sources shall not exceed the amounts specified in the table below. The amount of rebate for the payment of the municipal waste and recycling fee will be determined in accordance with the following schedule:

### Percentage of Municipal Waste and Recycling Fee

<u>Household Income</u>	<u>Fee to be Rebated</u>
\$ 0 to 15,000	75%
15,001 to 20,000	50%
20,001 to 25,000	25%
25,001 to <del>30,000</del> <b>34,450</b>	10%
<del>30,001</del> <b>34,451</b> or over	No Rebate

Based off Adjusted Home Income (AHI) limits for Allentown  
Bethlehem Easton Pa. HUD Metro FMR Area.

2. A proposal to amend the Solid Waste Fee by providing a 10% discount for affordable housing run by non-profits. This was sponsored by Councilpersons Gerlach and Zucal.
3. No trash fee increases for landlords that have rental units that did not raise rents. (Councilpersons Gerlach and Santos)
4. A motion to suspend the \$1,500 bonus and educational reimbursements until the new personnel policy manual is developed and adopted. The intent will be to have council review expenditures that are city related training and education in the future. (This was sponsored by Councilpersons Zucal and Hendricks.
5. A motion to increase the pay of the City Solicitor by \$2,500 rather than \$10,000. This was sponsored by Councilpersons Zucal and Hendricks.

6. A motion to add \$25,000 to City Council's Account 40, Civic Expenses from the unappropriated balance to fund civic and cultural events after the development of an internal Council policy on funding such events. (Councilpersons Mota and Napoli)
7. Add \$35,000 to City Council's Account 46 or the Police Chief's budget, set aside for a co-responder program evaluation – (Councilpersons Gerlach and Zucal)
8. Add \$20,000 in CED, Planning and Zoning into Acct. 09 09 02 0001 – 26 Printing for outreach programs for a promotion and education program for the historic districts, the funds taken from the unappropriated. (Councilpersons Napoli and Mota)
9. A motion to set aside \$150,000 for Homeless Service Staff in the Health Bureau – with the request that the mayor come back with a detailed budget no later than January 8<sup>th</sup> for a planned introduction. This is sponsored by Councilpersons Gerlach and Santos; and Mayor Tuerk support for development of a budget.
10. Adoption of Budget Memo – transcription error

Discussion: Department Director Steps