

City of Detroit
CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL PRESIDENT BRENDA JONES

MEMORANDUM

TO: David Massaron, Chief Financial Officer
City of Detroit

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Stephanie Washington, Legislative Liaison

FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BJ*

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: FY 2020-21 Budget Allocation

Please allocate funds in the FY 2020-21 Budget to provide homeowner training to residents to increase awareness on the property tax assessment process, foreclosure rights and responsibilities, appeals and available foreclosure resources.



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RE: Property Tax Foreclosure Study and Budget Amendment

Please issue a request for proposal (RFP) for a property tax assessment study relative to the over-taxed property assessment issue to determine and identify impacted parties, determine the extent of the impact of over taxation, locate federal, state, local and private resources to address over taxation and provide recommendations for corrective solutions.

If necessary, please initiate a budget amendment to fund the study.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Saskia Thompson, Director
Detroit Land Bank Authority

Donald Rencher, Director
Housing and Revitalization Department

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Stephanie Washington, Legislative Liaison

FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BQ*

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: Property Tax Foreclosure Program

Please develop a program to provide residents that loss their homes to foreclosure as a result of over taxation including but not limited to the following stipulations:

1. One dollar (\$1) property sales.
2. Funding access for home rehab.

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TO: Lawrence Garcia, Corporation Counsel
City of Detroit

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
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FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BG*

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: Property Assessment Oversight Ordinance

Please draft an ordinance requiring regular property tax assessments, reporting and penalties to ensure the integrity of property tax assessments.


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DATE: January 22, 2020

RE: Reimbursement Fund Opinion

Please provide a legal opinion on the City of Detroit's ability to create a reimbursement fund that would provide residents that were overtaxed during the years of 2010-2016 annual stipends over an extended period of time.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: David Whitaker, Director
Legislative Policy Division

CC: Honorable Colleagues
Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Stephanie Washington, Legislative Liaison

FROM: Council President Brenda Jones *BJ*

DATE: January 27, 2020

RE: Property Tax Foreclosure Moratorium Resolution

Please draft a resolution urging the Michigan State Legislature to pass legislation enacting a property tax foreclosure (PTF) moratorium for a period of time until the process can be analyzed, corrected and stabilized.

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RE: Property Tax Exemption Resolution

Please draft a resolution urging the State Legislature to draft state legislation creating a new property tax exemption to provide relief and reimbursement to residents that were overtaxed during the years of 2010 until 2016.