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TO: Tyrone Clifton, Director

**Detroit Building Authority** 

FROM: David Whitaker, Director

Legislative Policy Division

DATE: March 8, 2023

SUBJECT: 2023-2024 Budget Analysis

Attached is our budget analysis regarding the Detroit Building Authority's budget for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

Please be prepared to respond to the issues/questions raised in our analysis during your scheduled hearing on **Friday**, **March 10**, **2023**, **at 11:00 a.m.** We would then appreciate a written response to the questions at your earliest convenience before or after your budget hearing. Please forward a copy of your response to the Council Members, the City Clerk's Office, and the Legislative Policy Division.

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding our budget analysis. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

#### Attachments

cc: Council Members

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#### **Detroit Building Authority**

#### FY 2023-2024 Budget Analysis by the Legislative Policy Division

#### **Issues and Questions**

The **Detroit Building Authority** (DBA) is primarily responsible for administering capital projects, as determined by each respective City Department, with identified capital or grant funds. Critical functions include encumbering funds through Contracts of Lease; managing the bid, RFP/RFQ process; issuing contract awards; securing the necessary clearances; advising contractors of City requirements; execution of contract documents; monitor design development and construction for each DBA capital project; review and approve contract invoices; oversee payments to vendors.

In addition, the DBA is responsible for the following:

- Creating and maintaining a database of all City-owned commercial property.
- Maintaining and managing all of the properties within the database.
- Managing the sale of the property, which includes tracking the applications through the process, marketing of properties, obtaining City and Council approvals, and finalizing the sale transaction.
- Managing City leases, which consist of property leased by and from the City, cellular towers and billboard leases.

Page B35-10 In the Non-Departmental Budget, the Mayor has recommended to increase the General Fund Expenditure in cost center 350310 - Detroit Building Authority by \$1.1 million (91.3%) in FY 2024, as illustrated below:

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2024
	Adopted	Recommended	Increase/	Increase/
	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)	(Decrease)
Expenditures	\$1,203,945	\$2,303,226	\$1,099,281	91.3%

Page B35-12 in the Non-Departmental Budget, on the Revenue side, revenue cost center 350310 - Detroit Building Authority, the Mayor has recommended to decrease the General Fund Revenues by \$1.2 million (100%) to zero in FY 2024, as illustrated below:

	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2024	FY 2024	
	Adopted	Recommended	Increase/	Increase/	
	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
Revenues	\$1,199,378	\$0	(\$1,199,378)	(100%)	

Pages B35-16 In FY 2024, the number of FTEs in the Detroit Building Authority remains unchanged by the Mayor at eight (8).

- Please briefly explain the new expense initiatives the Detroit Building Authority (DBA) is planning to implement in FY 2024. Please provide which appropriation/cost center the new initiatives will affect in FY 2024.
- 2) Please briefly explain the new capital funding requests the DBA is planning to implement in FY 2024. Please provide which appropriation/cost center the new requests will affect in FY 2024.
- 3) Please briefly explain the operational reform and savings proposals the DBA is planning to implement in FY 2024. Please provide which appropriation/cost center the new reforms/proposals will affect in FY 2024.

- 4) Please explain why the mayor's recommendation for FY 2024 for the DBA expenditures to increase by \$1.1 million, when there's no increase in FTEs. If the increase is largely in contractual services and/or operating services, please explain the impact on DBA's operations in FY 2024.
- 5) Please briefly explain why the mayor's recommendation for FY 2024 for the DBA revenue is \$0. Please provide which appropriation/cost center reflects the change.
- 6) What are your projected performance metrics for the current fiscal year? What are your target metrics for fiscal year 2024?
- 7) How do you make the public aware of commercial property for sale? Do you partner with any departments or outside agencies? Do you prioritize the sale of property to city residence and minority owned businesses? Do we have enough funds in the budget for public outreach?
- 8) On page 7 of DBA's 2022 annual financial statements, the DBA had a negative net position of (\$6.4 M) as of June 30, 2021, and a negative net position of (\$6.7 M) as of June 30, 2022. Please explain how the DBA look to address the negative net positions.

### CITY OF DETROIT

## BUDGET DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL DETAIL BY DEPARTMENT, FUND, APPROPRIATION, & COST CENTER - EXPENDITURES DEPARTMENT 35 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL

epartment # - Department Name Fund # - Fund Name Appropriation # - Appropriation Name Cost Center # - Cost Center Name	FY2023 Adopted	FY2024 Mayor Proposed	FY2025 Forecast	FY2026 Forecast	FY2027 Forecast
	463,716	463,716	472,990	478,682	484,446
27352 - Community Programs Support	250,000	250,000	255,000	257,550	260,126
350230 - CEC Goal Line	213,716	213,716	217,990	221,132	224,320
350240 - EITC Support		545,278	556,291	563,950	571,557
28351 - Board of Ethics	<b>610,001</b> 610,001	545,278	556,291	563,950	571,557
350165 - Board of Ethics		1,480,094	1,510,156	1,532,509	1,554,518
28352 - Media Services & Communications	1,695,645	601,760	613.988	623,165	632,197
350325 - Communications Services	696,789	878,334	896,168	909,344	922,321
350326 - Media Services	998,856	1,600,000	1,652,852	1,705,944	1,709,244
28354 - Elected Officials Compensation	1,467,680	1,600,000	1,652,852	1,705,944	1,709,244
350007 - Elected Officials' Compensation	1,467,680		53,934,277	55,891,036	56,365,008
29350 - Citywide Overhead	39,491,058	52,723,536	393,960	397,900	401,879
350020 - Dues & Memberships	386,235		12,342,000	12,465,420	12,590,07
350220 - Claims Fund (Insurance Premiums)	12,100,000		2,349,658	2,378,925	2,408,03
350310 - Detroit Building Authority	1,203,945			31,868,284	32,186,96
350800 - Centralized Payments	24,800,878		31,552,757	8,780,507	8,778,05
350980 - Workforce Investments	1,000,000	7,000,000	7,295,902	8,780,307	-
29351 - Pension-Related Payments	108,675,000	-	-		_
350015 - Pension Benefits Administration	-	-	-		
351051 - Retiree Protection Fund	90,000,000	_	-	-	
351052 - Foundations - DIA Pension Contributions	18,675,000		-	2,268,760	2,322,83
3921 - Other Special Revenue Fund	2,113,980		2,215,947		2,322,83
28353 - Cable TV	2,113,980		2,215,947	2,268,760	2,322,83
350324 - P.E.G. Fees	2,113,980	2,164,363	2,215,947	2,268,760	B35 - 10

### CITY OF DETROIT BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

## FINANCIAL DETAIL BY DEPARTMENT, FUND, APPROPRIATION, & COST CENTER - REVENUES DEPARTMENT 35 - NON-DEPARTMENTAL

Department # - Department Name			25		
Fund # - Fund Name	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Appropriation # - Appropriation Name	Adopted	<b>Mayor Proposed</b>	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Cost Center # - Cost Center Name					
35 - Non-Departmental	1,106,796,842	1,108,813,520	1,081,383,163	1,103,259,366	1,124,023,518
1000 - General Fund	1,045,947,862	1,057,413,683	1,079,167,216	1,100,990,606	1,121,700,686
14001 - Non Dept Budget Reserve	67,982,308	-	-	-	-
352101 - Budget Reserve	67,982,308	-	-	=,	-
20255 - Prior Year Activity	8,156,000	-	-	-	
351009 - Prior Year Surplus	8,156,000	-	-	-	-
28353 - Cable TV	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
350510 - Cable Franchise Fees	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
29350 - Citywide Overhead	1,199,378	-	-	-,,	-,,
350310 - Detroit Building Authority	1,199,378	-		-	-
29351 - Pension-Related Payments	.=	-	-	-	
350015 - Pension Benefits Administration		-	-	-	-
29352 - Major Taxes and Other Revenues	961,661,160	1,050,860,190	1,072,613,723	1,094,666,606	1,115,376,686
350350 - Property Tax & Other Related Revenue	128,165,000	145,613,641	151,875,087	156,491,716	161,138,393
350360 - State Shared Taxes	217,753,000	228,180,533	228,885,773	229,598,126	230,317,663
350380 - Investment & Other Interest Earnings	1,100,000	3,270,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
350620 - Income Tax	290,313,833	359,530,889	371,090,771	384,408,669	396,259,324
351020 - Non-Departmental	30,009,327	27,341,204	27,838,029	28,344,790	28,861,686
351050 - Wagering Tax	265,483,000	258,086,728	260,708,862	263,315,951	265,997,193
351056 - Motor City Casino - Municipal Services	9,625,000	9,086,413	9,184,118	9,275,960	9,368,719
351057 - Greektown Casino - Municipal Services	5,316,000	4,001,741	4,038,481	4,078,866	4,119,655
351058 - MGM Grand Casino - Municipal Services	13,896,000	15,749,041	15,992,602	16,152,528	16,314,053
29353 - Debt Repayment	1,949,016	1,553,493	1,553,493	1,324,000	1,324,000
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