

MEMORANDUM TO: All Members of the Metropolitan Council

FROM: Donald W. Jones, Director
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DATE: **June 26, 2007**

RE: **Analysis Report For Adjourned
Council Meeting**

– RESOLUTIONS –

RESOLUTION NOS. RS2007-2052, RS2007-2053 & RS2007-2054 (RYMAN) – These three resolutions adopt new pay plans for employees of Metropolitan Government, with the exception of the board of education. The pay plan currently in effect, which was approved in June 2005, provides for a salary increase of 2% for fiscal year 2008, plus the incremental step increases for qualifying employees. As part of the fiscal year 2008 operating budget, the mayor proposed that the pay plan be modified to provide a 3% across-the-board raise for all Metro employees, but eliminate the incremental step increases for next year. This resolution implements the new pay plan as proposed by the mayor and approved by the civil service commission.

These pay plans may not be amended by the council except by making uniform changes by increasing or decreasing the percentage of pay increases, as the relationship between pay grades must remain the same.

The substitute budget proposed by the chair of the budget and finance committee fully funds the existing pay plan providing for a 2% across-the-board pay raise, plus the incremental step increases. Therefore, these resolutions should not be adopted if the existing pay plan is to be funded in the budget.

Resolution No. RS2007-2052 approves the general pay plan. This resolution also sets the salaries for the mayor, vice mayor, members of council, and members of the board of education, which are to be the same as the current salaries. The salaries for these offices cannot be adjusted during the term of office.

Resolution No. RS2007-2053 approves the pay plan for fire and police departments.

Resolution No. RS2007-2054 approves the pay plan for the board of health.

– BILLS ON THIRD READING –

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1398 (RYMAN & JAMESON) – This ordinance is the operating budget of the Metropolitan Government for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008. The proposed budget filed by the mayor provides for the following proposed funding:

• General Fund of the General Services District	\$ 706,019,800
• Schools Fund of the General Services District	577,998,800
• Schools Debt Service Fund	61,057,900
• Debt Service – General Services District	<u>97,786,900</u>
TOTAL GENERAL SERVICES DISTRICT BUDGET	\$1,442,863,400
• General Fund of the Urban Services District	\$ 106,909,300
• Debt Service – Urban Services District	<u>19,231,400</u>
TOTAL URBAN SERVICES DISTRICT BUDGET	\$ 126,140,700
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,569,004,100

The substitute budget adopted by the council for the current fiscal year is \$1,506,054,500. The mayor’s proposed budget is an increase of \$62,949,600 or 4.2%.

\$5,395,200 is appropriated from the total GSD unappropriated fund balance, compared to a total of \$10,035,900 in the current year’s budget. For the total USD unappropriated fund balance, no funds are appropriated for use, compared to \$8,547,900 in the current year’s budget.

The proposed budget funds a modification to the existing pay plan to provide a 3% across the board pay increase for all Metro employees, but does away with the incremental step raises for employees that are not included as part of the open range classifications. We are currently in the second year of a three-year pay plan. The existing pay plan was to provide a 2% across the board pay raise for Metro employees, plus the incremental step raises. The budget includes \$9,912,500 in the GSD General Fund and \$1,274,400 in the USD General Fund for these pay plan improvements. In order for the modified pay plan to become effective, it must be approved by the civil service commission and the council. The civil service commission approved the mayor’s recommended pay plan amendment on May 29, 2007 by a vote of 3-2. If the pay plan is not approved by the council, approximately \$4.9 million will have to be cut from the budget to offset the additional expenses associated with funding the current pay plan.

The proposed budget also includes negative expenses in order to balance the total budget requirements. The budget provides for a negative expenditure in the amount of \$16,938,500 in the GSD for budget adjustment savings, as compared to \$14,651,000 in the current budget. The USD includes a negative expense of \$2,264,700 for budget adjustment savings, which is the same as the current fiscal year. The budget includes several non-recurring appropriations that are contingent upon revenues at the end of the 2007 fiscal year exceeding the budget requirements by \$5,395,000. These contingent appropriations are as follows:

• NFP Grants	\$1,300,000
• Administration Relocation Expenses	\$215,000
• Audit Consultants	\$500,000
• Park Maintenance	\$1,250,000
• Police Overtime	\$1,065,000

- Fire Overtime \$1,065,000

Internal service fees for the departments of finance, human resources, general services, and information technology are included in this budget as part of the ongoing effort to implement full cost recovery within Metro Government. These fees appear as increased expenditures in the operational budgets of various departments, paid to these four departments in their various internal service funds. This internal service fee structure is consistent with the requirements of Federal OMB Circular A-87. This establishes principles and standards for determining costs for Federal awards carried out through grants, cost reimbursement contracts, and other agreements with State and local governments. The purpose is to establish a process whereby central service costs can be identified and assigned on a reasonable and consistent basis. Increases in some of the internal service fund departments are as follows:

- Employee Safety and Risk Management \$1,514,900, or 8.6%
- Real Property Services \$388,700, or 19%
- 311 Call Center \$735,100, or 93.8%
- Facilities Maintenance and Security \$8,687,200, or 64.7%

The budget includes modest or no gains in the budget for many of the General Fund departments, with a few exceptions. The budget provides significant increases in the police department, fire department, parks department and health department budgets. The proposed budget also includes a substantial increase in the subsidy for the Metro action commission. These improvements are as follows:

- Police Department – Increase of \$13,160,900, or 9.8%. This includes \$1,105,600 for overtime costs, \$1,590,400 for an information technology program, and a \$1,510,100 increase in the facilities maintenance and security internal service charges.
- Fire Department – Increase of \$9,542,200, or 9.3% for the combined GSD and USD functions. This includes the \$1,065,000 overtime contingent appropriation, which is discussed above.
- Parks Department – Increase of \$4,116,600, or 12.9%. This includes the \$1,250,000 contingent appropriation for maintenance expenses, which is discussed above, plus \$1,285,800 to provide an additional 26 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff persons in the community centers, \$589,000 for 12 FTEs in the natural resources program, and \$191,400 for 5 FTEs in the facility admissions program.
- Health Department – Increase of \$3,355,900, or 9.7%. This includes \$1,598,700 for inmate healthcare, \$168,200 for the medical examiner, \$277,100 for the health care access program, and \$230,000 for the clinic services and immunization program.
- Metro Action Commission – Increase of \$1,143,200, or 37.3%.

This budget includes a subsidy of \$49,797,100 for the hospital authority, which is the same as the subsidy for the current fiscal year. The administration has submitted an extension of the due date on the outstanding loan the hospital authority has with the Metropolitan Government in the amount of \$6,748,700. This loan extension is the subject matter of Resolution No. RS2007-2011.

There are several appropriations from the hotel occupancy tax that were not included in the fiscal year 2007 budget. The appropriations are from the portion of the hotel occupancy tax funds designated for tourist related activities. The additional appropriations include:

- Arena subsidy \$4,817,900
- Metropolitan Transit Authority \$1,500,000
- Municipal Auditorium subsidy \$500,000
- Country Music Association grant \$1,000,000
- Arts Commission cultural study \$372,000
- Regional Transportation Authority subsidy \$400,000

The operational support for schools is increased by \$14,768,700 to \$577,998,800 for the Schools General Purpose Fund, which is an increase of 2.6%. This does not include any additional funds the state appropriates as part of the BEP revisions. There is also a separate line in the ordinance appropriating \$8,053,600 for administrative support for Metro schools. The budget provides that these funds are appropriated to pay for general fund administrative activities supporting Metro schools and as compensation to Metro schools for property located at 2233 Winford Avenue for the future construction of a head start center. The council office would caution that any direct reimbursement for internal service costs might be considered a violation of at least the intent of A-87 to assign these costs on a consistent basis.

No money is appropriated from the fund balance of the Schools General Purpose Fund for operational increases in FY07, leaving this fund with a projected balance of \$45,753,300, or 7.9% of the operational budget. According to state law, this balance must remain above 3%.

The budget ordinance is amendable on third reading.

Proposed Substitute Budget

The Chair of Budget and Finance Committee will propose a substitute budget that provides for some changes in appropriations, but no change is being made in the GSD or USD property tax rates. The two primary items being funded in the substitute are a restoration of the increment step raises (along with a 2% across-the-board pay raise) for Metro employees and restoration of cuts to the public libraries. These two items require a total of \$5,707,888 in budget modifications to fund.

In order to fund the original pay plan improvements previously adopted by the council, there is a reduction in the amount of \$4,411,100 in the line item providing administrative support for Metro schools. This account is used to pay for "general fund administrative activities supporting Metro Schools", such as information technology services, and as compensation for property to be used for the construction of a head start facility. This basically means that the schools will be responsible for paying approximately \$4.4 million of their internal service fees instead of the Metropolitan Government covering these costs.

The substitute budget realizes an additional \$13,500,000 in revenue for the schools from the State of Tennessee as part of the revised BEP formula recently adopted by the state legislature. This brings the total appropriation for the schools to \$591,546,200. The school board has the sole authority for determining which priorities should be funded with the additional revenue. The schools will be required to absorb the \$4.4 million reduction in the administrative support line item. However, if the schools desire to utilize part of their unencumbered fund balance to cover these costs, they can request the council to appropriate these funds at a later date. The budget shows an unencumbered fund balance for the schools of \$45,753,300, which is 7.9% of the schools' operating budget. State law requires a minimum balance of 3% in this fund. If the schools elect to use these funds to cover the administrative costs, the unencumbered fund balance would still be 7.1%.

The substitute budget includes a reduction in the unencumbered fund balance of the USD general fund in the amount of \$218,107 to fund the pay plan improvements for the USD function employees.

The substitute budget provides for the following reductions to two contingency accounts for a total of \$190,000:

- \$50,000 – Contingency Account
- \$140,000 – Contingency EMS Collection

The substitute budget also makes a reduction of \$274,300 from the police department and \$664,400 from the parks department. Even with these reductions, these two departments have two of the largest budget increases of all the Metro departments. The reductions are in the following programs, which should not result in a loss of any current positions. A breakdown of the reductions is as follows:

Police

- \$43,500 reduction in the office of professional responsibility cold case overtime. This reduction leaves in place the \$1.1 million for police officer overtime at the various precincts and for special events.
- \$116,400 reduction in the training program P.O.S.T. and ammunition adjustment.
- \$64,400 reduction in the crime analysis program.

Parks

- \$79,400 reduction in the arts and history program.
- \$589,000 reduction in the natural resources program.
- The substitute budget leaves in place the \$1,285,800 budget improvement to provide 26.53 additional full-time equivalent positions for the community centers.

In addition to the pay plan improvements, there are two appropriations that are increases in operational funding totaling \$850,000. These are made to the following departments:

- \$800,000 increase for the Public Library to maintain library staffing and hours of operation at their current levels.
- \$50,000 increase for the Metropolitan Clerk to preserve an existing position.

The substitute budget recognizes \$275,000 in additional state revenue for the district attorney's office, which is appropriated as additional funding for the district attorney.

The substitute budget also modifies several paragraphs pertaining to various authorities granted by the ordinance to the director of finance to require approval of the council by resolution.

The budget ordinance is amendable on third reading. Pursuant to Council Rules, no amendment to the budget may be offered unless it has been submitted to the Budget & Finance Committee for a recommendation. The Budget & Finance Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. this evening, prior to the 7:00 Council meeting to consider the budget on third and final reading.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1399 (RYMAN & JAMESON) – This ordinance adopts the property tax levy for the fiscal year 2007-2008. The Metropolitan Charter requires that the council's next order of business upon adopting the annual operating budget is to adopt a tax levy that fully funds the operating budget. The property tax proposed by the mayor is in assessed value, which represents \$4.04 per \$100 assessed value in the general services district (GSD) and an additional \$0.65 per \$100 assessed value in the urban services district (USD), for a total tax of \$4.69 in the USD.

This proposed property tax levy shifts one cent from the general fund of the GSD to the debt service fund of the GSD. Last year, seven cents were transferred from the debt service fund to the general fund to provide additional funding for the general government operations. This shift is estimated to be the equivalent of \$1.5 million. The overall tax levy, however, is the same as last year.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1444 (RYMAN) – This ordinance approves an increase in the amount per mile to be charged by the division of emergency ambulance and rescue service for the transportation of patients to hospitals. This ordinance is one of several fee increases proposed by the mayor to balance the fiscal year 2008 operating budget. The last increase in the rate charged for patient transportation was in 2004, when the rate increased from \$280.00 to \$650.00, with an additional charge of \$5.00 per mile. This ordinance would increase the transportation fee from \$5.00 to \$13.00 per mile. The basic charge of \$650.00 will remain unchanged.

The council office would point out that these fees are almost entirely paid by private insurance, Medicare, TennCare, and workers compensation programs. At the time the fee was last increased in 2004, individuals were paying less than 10% of the total payments for the service. All persons needing ambulance services are provided such services without regard to their ability to pay.

This ordinance is estimated to generate additional revenue in the amount of \$554,100. If this fee increase is not enacted, the council will be required to reduce general fund expenditures in the substitute budget to offset the lost revenue in order to fulfill the charter requirements of adopting a balanced budget.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1457 (RYMAN & BROWN) – This ordinance amends the Metropolitan Code of Laws regarding water and sewer department charges and fees to implement certain “revenue enhancements” necessary to balance the water department’s fiscal year 2008 budget. The revenue enhancements proposed by the water department and the administration are expected to generate \$14,681,200 in additional revenue, however, not all of the revenue enhancements require council action. Failure to enact these revenue enhancements would require a cut in the water department’s operating budget to offset the lost revenue. Since the bond covenants require the water department to keep the water and sewer system in a proper condition and to maintain a certain level in the extension and replacement fund, any cuts would likely come from the storm water program.

This ordinance increases the tap fees for tapping on to the water and sewer system. These increases are expected to generate \$421,500 in additional revenue. A comparison of the existing fees and proposed fees is as follows:

Water tap fee increases

	Current	Proposed
¾"	\$250	\$430
1"	\$350	\$610
2"	\$450	\$780
3"	\$750	\$1,300
4"	\$1,000	\$1,730
6"	\$1,500	\$2,590
8"	\$2,000	\$3,460
10"	\$3,000	\$5,190
12"	\$4,000	\$6,200

Sewer tap fee increases

	Current	Proposed
4" or 6"	\$500	\$860
8"	\$1,500	\$2,590

10"	\$2,500	\$3,850
12"	\$3,500	\$6,050
15"	\$4,500	\$6,900

This ordinance also establishes a number of new fees that are not currently charged by the water department. These new fees are as follows:

- Late payment charge of \$10.00. This fee is expected to generate \$4,626,500 in additional revenue.
- Vacant property readiness to serve charge of \$10 per month. This fee will be charged to all vacant properties having access to the public sewer system. This fee is expected to generate \$876,000 in additional revenue.
- Capacity charge in the amount of \$1,000 per unit of flow for connections to the water supply system. \$2,000 per unit of flow for new connections to the public sewer system. These capacity charge increases were approved by the council in June 2006 for a one-year basis, and are set to expire on June 30, 2007. These fee increases are expected to generate \$2,900,000 in additional revenue.
- Reconnection charge of \$50.00 if the reconnection is requested and completed on the same day the customer became eligible for reconnection. The reconnection charge would be \$25.00 if reconnected the following day. These new fees are expected to generate \$648,200 in additional revenue.
- New account connection – same day service fee of \$35.00. This fee is expected to generate \$191,000 in additional revenue.
- New water meter installation inspection charge of \$42.00. This fee is expected to generate \$420,000 in additional revenue.
- Grease collection device inspection charge of \$125.00 per year for food service establishments with grease traps. This fee is expected to generate \$250,000 in additional revenue.

In addition to the above new fees, this ordinance authorizes the department of water and sewerage services to establish and implement a number of new charges for certain services provided by the department for which no specific amount is set. Rather, the amounts would be established by the department based upon the actual costs incurred in providing the service. These charges could be increased or decreased by the department at any time to reflect changes in the costs. These new unspecified fees are as follows:

- A monthly "readiness to serve" charge to be charged to all customers with a private fire protection service connection. This fee is expected to generate \$239,100 in additional revenue.
- Plan and permit review charge for services provided in determining service availability, reviewing permit applications, or reviewing plans for proposed new water or sewer service connections for any building other than a single-family residence. There would also be a charge for reviewing and administering permit applications for businesses. The plan review fees are expected to generate \$260,700 in additional revenue.
- Storm water plan and permit review charge for reviewing permit applications, variance requests, or reviewing storm water plans. This fee is expected to generate \$1,000,100 in additional revenue.

The council office would caution the council against delegating the authority to the water department to set fees and to increase these fees without further approval of the council.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1460 (COLE, GILMORE & WALLS) – This ordinance amends Ordinance No. BL2005-582 to transfer the homelessness commission in Nashville from the department of social services to the Metropolitan housing and development agency (MDHA). The homelessness commission was created by the council in May 2005 based upon the recommendations of the homelessness task force’s “Strategic Plan to End Chronic Homelessness in Nashville 2005-2015”. The commission is charged with overseeing the implementation of the strategic plan. The commission consists of the following:

1. Eleven persons appointed by the mayor, three of whom shall have personally experienced homelessness.
2. Four members of Council consisting of a member of the health, hospitals and social services committee, a member of the budget and finance committee, the vice mayor (or designee), and another member of Council chosen by the vice mayor.
3. Seven Metropolitan Government officials including:
 - The mayor (or designee)
 - The director of the social services department (or designee)
 - The director of MDHA (or designee)
 - The director of the health department (or designee)
 - The director of the Nashville career advancement center (or designee)
 - The director of the Metropolitan action commission (or designee)
 - The chief of police (or designee)

The substitute budget includes a provision authorizing the director of finance to transfer the funding for the homelessness commission to MDHA if this ordinance is approved.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1461 (PEPPER) – This ordinance establishes the criminal justice steering committee to address issues affecting the criminal justice system of the Metropolitan Government. In 1990, the United States district court placed an inmate population cap on Metro’s jails as a result of overcrowded conditions in the jails. In 2000, Metro filed a final jail management plan to get out from under the court decree, which included the establishment of a criminal justice steering committee comprised of the mayor, the district attorney, the public defender, the sheriff, the chief of police, the director of law, a general sessions judge, and a criminal court judge. In 2002, the steering committee executed a memorandum of purpose to create a criminal justice planning unit CJPU, which was formally established as a Metro department by the council’s enactment of Ordinance No. BL2005-558.

This ordinance formally establishes the criminal justice steering committee. The members of the committee will be the mayor, a general sessions judge, a criminal court judge, the district attorney, the public defender, the sheriff, the chief of police, and the criminal court clerk. The committee will meet on a monthly basis to address criminal justice policies and procedures. The CJPU will serve as staff to the committee.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1462 (RYMAN & PEPPER) – This ordinance accepts a donation of surveillance camera equipment valued at \$49,701 from the Community Foundation to the Metropolitan Government to be used by the police department.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1463 (RYMAN & PEPPER) – This ordinance approves the annual contract between the Metropolitan Government and the emergency communications district (ECD) relative to operation of the enhanced-911 service for fiscal year 2006-2007. The contract specifies certain services to be provided by the emergency communications center and the department of public works. The department of public works will maintain an updated street and house number system, and the emergency communications center will provide day-to-day staff and support services for operation of the enhanced-911 emergency communications systems. Metro will also train its employees who will operate the system. ECD is to reimburse the Metropolitan Government in the amount of \$42,711 for the services provided in the 2006-2007 fiscal year, plus the reimbursement of training costs.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1464 (WALLACE) – This ordinance adopts the property identification maps for the Metropolitan Government identifying property as of January 1, 2007, as the official maps for the identification of real estate for tax assessment purposes. These maps are adopted on an annual basis.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1466 (SUMMERS, ISABEL & OTHERS) – This ordinance authorizes the director of public property administration to accept an easement for use in the Richland Creek greenway system. This 2.03-acre conservation greenway easement is being donated by H.G. Hill Realty Company, LLC for property located along the CSX railroad tracks and Old White Bridge Road in west Nashville. The property subject to the easement may only be used for greenway purposes, including a bike path.

This ordinance has been approved by the planning commission.

ORDINANCE NOS. BL2007-1467, BL2007-1469, BL2007-1471, and BL2007-1475 through BL2007-1478 – These eight ordinances accept easements to allow for the completion of multiple water, sewer and storm water projects by the department of water and sewerage services. These ordinances have been approved by the planning commission.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1467 (Ryman, Gotto & Brown) authorizes the acquisition of the following easements for a grinder pump relocation project:

- 2209 Seven Points Circle
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- 509 Pauls Trail
- 513 Pauls Trail
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- 3828 Leona Pass
- 2108 Christiana Court
- 2116 Christiana Court
- 2141 Christiana Court
- 305 Rachael's Meadow Court
- 109 Bailey View Court
- 2201 Kayla Avenue

Ordinance No. BL2007-1469 (Forkum, Brown and Ryman) authorizes the acquisition of an easement for property located at 251 Lovell Street for a storm water project.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1471 (Ryman and Brown) authorizes the acquisition of easements for the following properties for storm water projects:

- 3831 Hutson Avenue
- 3837 Hutson Avenue
- 3812 Edwards Avenue
- 3822 Edwards Avenue

Ordinance No. BL2007-1475 (Isabel, Ryman and Brown) authorizes the acquisition of easements for the following properties for storm water projects:

- 3938 Crouch Drive
- 3963 Crouch Drive
- 704 Troy Drive
- 708 Troy Drive
- 712 Troy Drive
- 716 Troy Drive
- 720 Troy Drive

Ordinance No. BL2007-1476 (Gilmore, Whitmore and Others) authorizes the acquisition of easements for the following properties for storm water projects:

- 6016 and 6433 Nolensville Pike
- 823 3rd Avenue North
- 2900 and 1717 Lebanon Road
- 2201 8th Avenue South
- 1105 18th Avenue South
- 4930 Linbar Drive
- 1240 County Hospital Road
- 510 Madison Street
- 303 Oceola Avenue
- 3410 Gallatin Pike
- 613 26th Avenue North
- 167 Lafayette Street
- Fairfield Avenue, unnumbered
- 7450 Old Hickory Boulevard,
- Cooper Lane, unnumbered
- Polk Avenue, unnumbered

Ordinance No. BL2007-1477 (Isabel, Brown and Coleman) authorizes the acquisition of easements for the following properties for storm water projects:

- 5442 and 5444 Edmondson Pike
- Highway 70 South, unnumbered
- 501 28th Avenue North
- 2900 Felicia Street
- 570 Metroplex Drive
- 4715 Andrew Jackson Parkway
- 1527 Compton Avenue
- 1101 Bell Road

- Shiaway Drive, unnumbered
- 901 19th Avenue South
- 3308 John Mallette Drive
- 8th Avenue North & Taylor Street

Ordinance No. BL2007-1478 (Coleman, Isabel and Others) authorizes the acquisition of easements for the following properties for storm water projects:

- 4200 Hillsboro Pike
- 2209 Buena Vista Pike
- 554 Hickory Hills Boulevard
- 5743 Temple Road
- Highway 70 South, unnumbered
- 2022 West End Avenue
- 334 Woodycrest Avenue
- 99 Lester Avenue
- 3474 Dickerson Pike
- 1507 8th Avenue North
- 643 Myatt Drive
- 266 Hermitage Avenue
- 6201 Hickory Valley Road
- 1224 Donelson Street
- McCrory Lane, unnumbered
- 2312 Clifton Avenue
- 718 Murfreesboro Pike
- 431 Old Hickory Boulevard
- 300 5th Avenue South
- 4320 Harding Pike
- 1621 Heil Quaker Boulevard
- 1409 Antioch Pike
- 1624 Rebecca Street
- 5520 Nolensville Pike
- 1200 Broadway
- 5410 Nolensville Pike
- 3809 Bedford Avenue

ORDINANCE NOS. BL2007-1470, and BL2007-1472 through BL2007-1474 – These four ordinances abandon water and sewer lines and easements that are no longer needed by the department of water and sewerage services. These ordinances have been approved by the planning commission.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1470 (Craddock & Brown) abandons a 10-inch sewer line and easement and authorizes the acceptance of a replacement sewer line and easement for the Home Depot project on Gallatin Road.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1472 (Gilmore & Brown) abandons a 20-foot sewer easement located at 5018, 5022, 5102, 5106, 5110, and 5116 Buena Vista Pike.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1473 (Wallace) abandons an 8-inch sewer line, a 6-inch water line, and two fire hydrants located at 63 Hermitage Avenue for the new fire department headquarters facility.

Ordinance No. BL2007-1474 (Toler & Brown) abandons an 8-inch sewer line and easement and authorizes the acceptance of a replacement sewer line and a 6-inch water line for phase 1B, 2 and 3 of The Woodlands subdivision on Woodlands Avenue.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1479 (RYMAN & BROWN) – This ordinance authorizes the conveyance of a water line and associated easement to the Madison Utility District. The water line and easement are for property located at 41-A Edenwold Road and 61 Edenwold Road, adjacent to Myatt Drive. The purpose of the water line and easement is to provide fire protection for the Dry Creek wastewater treatment plant.

This ordinance has been approved by the planning commission.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1480 (WALLS) – This ordinance authorizes Metal Management, LLC to install and maintain a railroad spur encroachment at 1840 Linder Industrial Drive. This encroachment will connect Metal Management’s industrial property to the CSX railroad tracks. Metal Management is required to indemnify the Metropolitan Government for any claims arising out of the installation and maintenance of the encroachment, and is required to maintain a certificate of public liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 naming the Metropolitan Government as an insured party.

This ordinance has been approved by the planning commission.

ORDINANCE NO. BL2007-1481 (SHULMAN) – This ordinance abandons a portion of the unimproved Hilldale Drive right-of-way from Valley Brook Place to a point 300 feet south of Wimbledon Road. This closure has been requested by Councilman Shulman on behalf of the adjacent property owners. There is no future governmental need for these sections of right-of-way since the roadway has been relocated. Consent of the affected property owners is on file with the department of public works. The Metropolitan Government will retain all easements.

This ordinance has been approved by the planning commission.