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TO: Common Council

FROM: Mayor Merkes

SUBJECT: Mayor's Appointments of Aldermen to Committees

DATE: 16 April 2009

Committees and boards are the arena which we explore, research, and weigh the merits of proposals before the community. We are blessed with a very talented pool of committee members and alders with a multitude of experiences and expertise. For the four mayoral appointments this year I'll be asking council members to rotate to a new committee so that they can experience another portions of city government functions. Giving each council member an opportunity to share his/her experiences on various committees throughout their term of office offers both the alders and committees new insight on city operations. New committee members bring new contacts with citizens and businesses that can strengthen the alder, committee, and community.

We have made great strides over the past year with the help of the talented people who serve our community; I look forward to working with all of you over the next year to continue that trend.