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MEMORANDUM

To: Common Council

From: John Weidl, City Manager

Date: 3/9/26

Subject: Potential Policy Concepts

The City received the attached talking points memo from Council Member Brian Schanen outlining several potential policy concepts related to fiscal management and budget practices. At his request, the item has been placed on the agenda for Council discussion.

Several of the concepts identified in the memo may involve policy considerations, statutory review, and potential governance implications. In some cases, implementation may require action through charter ordinance rather than standard ordinance procedures. As a result, staff and the City Attorney would need additional time to review the legal and administrative implications of the concepts presented.

In addition, a number of the items identified in the memo relate to fiscal priorities and policy direction that are typically addressed during the City's annual budget development and adoption process.

The purpose of this agenda item is to allow the Council to discuss the ideas presented and provide initial feedback or direction. Depending on Council interest, further review and analysis could be referred to the Finance Committee for more detailed consideration before any formal policy recommendations are developed.