## **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (51)**

#### AGENCY PLAN: MISSION, GOALS AND BUDGET SUMMARY

#### **MISSION:**

As a quasi-judicial body, the Board's primary role is to hear and rule on appeals for relief or relaxation of the provisions and requirements of the Zoning Ordinance from any person, firm, partnership or corporation, or by any officer, department, commission, board, or bureau of the City aggrieved by a decision of an enforcing officer or any decision made by the Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department, where rigid enforcement could cause the appellant undue hardship or jeopardize equity or prevent proper utilization of property.

#### AGENCY GOALS:

- 1. Make all zoning decisions necessary to assure that City of Detroit land use is congruent with the spirit and intent of the Ordinance through improved Zoning and Land use training.
- 2. Make just decisions as they affect the applicant, the people in the immediate vicinity of the property in question and the general public.
- 3. Respond to City Council and administration referrals.
- 4. Develop recommendations for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance where appropriate and necessary.
- 5. Enhance the quality of services to customers, both citizens and businesses, through improved land use and planning technology.

#### AGENCY FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

2012-13		2011-12	2012-13	Increase
<b>Requested</b>		<u>Budget</u>	Recommended	(Decrease)
<u>\$ 753,920</u>	City Appropriations	<u>\$ 709,723</u>	<u>\$ 606,566</u>	<u>\$ (103,157)</u>
\$ 753,920	<b>Total Appropriations</b>	\$ 709,723	\$ 606,566	\$ (103,157)
<u>\$ 105,000</u>	City Revenues	<u>\$ 105,000</u>	<u>\$ 96,417</u>	\$ -
\$ 105,000	Total Revenues	\$ 105,000	\$ 96,417	\$ -
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\$ 648,920	NET TAX COST:	\$ 604,723	\$ 510,149	\$ (103,157)

#### AGENCY EMPLOYEE STATISTICS:

2012-13		2011-12	04-01-12	2012-13	Increase
Requested		<u>Budget</u>	Actual	<b>Recommended</b>	(Decrease)
<u>4</u>	City Positions	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>(1)</u>
4	<b>Total Positions</b>	4	4	3	(1)

#### ACTIVITIES IN THIS AGENCY:

	2011-12	2012-13	Increase
	<u>Budget</u>	Recommended	(Decrease)
Land Use Controls	\$ 709,723	<u>\$ 606,566</u>	\$ (103,157)
Total Appropriations	\$ 709,723	\$ 606,566	\$ (103,157)

## **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (51)**

### LAND USE CONTROLS ACTIVITY INFORMATION

## ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION: LAND USE CONTROLS

The Board of Zoning Appeals' primary role is to hear and decide appeals and review any order, requirement, decision or determination made in the enforcement of the City of Detroit Zoning Ordinance. The Board has certain discretionary powers in making its decision to comply with the powers granted to it by the local zoning ordinance and State Enabling Act. Any adjustment or reversal must conform to the provisions of the zoning ordinance and provide neighborhood and commercial stabilization.

### GOALS:

- 1. Make all zoning decisions necessary to assure that City of Detroit land use is congruent with the spirit and intent of the ordinance through improved Zoning and Land use training.
- 2. Make just decisions as they affect the applicant, the people in the immediate vicinity of the property in question, and the general public.
- 3. Respond to City Council and administration referrals.
- 4. To adhere and implement the adopted amendments to the new Zoning Ordinance where appropriate and provide workshops and training sessions for Board Members and staff.
- 5. Enhance the quality of services to customers, both citizens and businesses, through improved land use and planning technology.

### MAJOR INITIATIVES FOR FY 2011-12:

The Department is currently working with the City Planning Commission to conclude the comprehensive amendments to the city's new Zoning Ordinance.

The Department is also working to provide additional technical training for both the professional staff and Board Members. The training will enable the department to continue to improve the quality of service to customers, both citizens and businesses, through improved land use and planning technology.

### PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE FOR FY 2012-13, FY 2013-14 and BEYOND:

The department will continually work collectively with the City Planning Commission to work on amendments to the new City of Detroit Zoning Ordinance.

The Department will continually work to provide additional technical training for both the professional staff and Board Members. The training will enable the department to continue to improve the quality of service to customers, both citizens and businesses, through improved land use and planning technology.

# **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS (51)**

Type of Performance Measure:	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
List of Measures	Actual	Actual	Projection	Target
Inputs: Resources Allocated or Service Demands Made				
Cases appealed	105	120	120	100
Outputs: Units of Activity directed toward Goals				
Zoning variance request processing from submission of				
application	30 days	30 days	30 days	30 days
Referrals response time	5-7 days	5-7 days	5-7 days	7-10 days
Efficiency: Program Costs related to Units of Activity				
Percentage completed of computer upgrade	96%	97%	97%	0
Cases per investigator	53	53	53	75
Field hours per case	75	75	75	75
Cost per case including everybody involved	\$2,724	\$ 2,724	\$ 2,724	2,724
Activity Costs	\$797,378	\$774,535	\$709,723	\$606,566

### LAND USE CONTROLS MEASURES AND TARGETS

## **CITY OF DETROIT**

# **Board of Zoning Appeals**

# Financial Detail by Appropriation and Organization

Board of Zoning Appeals Ordinance Admi		2011-12 Redbook		2012-13 Dept Final Request		2012-13 Mayor's Budget Rec	
Land Use Controls	FTE	AMOUNT	FTE	AMOUNT	FTE	AMOUNT	
APPROPRIATION ORGANIZATION							
00183 - Land Use Controls							
510010 - Board of Zoning Appeals Ordinance A	4	\$709,723	4	\$753,920	3	\$606,566	
APPROPRIATION TOTAL	4	\$709,723	4	\$753,920	3	\$606,566	
ACTIVITY TOTAL	<u> </u>	\$709,723	4	\$753,920	3	\$606,566	

# CITY OF DETROIT Budget Development for FY 2012-2013 Appropriations - Summary Objects

	2011-12 Redbook	2012-13 Dept Final Request	2012-13 Mayor's Budget Rec	
AC0551 - Land Use Controls				
A51000 - Board of Zoning Appeals				
SALWAGESL - Salary & Wages	317,882	351,584	234,268	
EMPBENESL - Employee Benef	298,487	318,102	208,803	
PROFSVCSL - Professional/Cor	27,000	17,000	93,178	
OPERSUPSL - Operating Suppli	3,000	3,000	3,000	
OPERSVCSL - Operating Servic	61,974	61,974	65,937	
OTHEXPSSL - Other Expenses	1,380	2,260	1,380	
A51000 - Board of Zoning Appeals	709,723	753,920	606,566	
AC0551 - Land Use Controls	709,723	753,920	606,566	
Grand Total	709,723	753,920	606,566	

# CITY OF DETROIT Budget Development for FY 2012-2013 Appropriation Summary - Revenues

	2010-11 Actuals	2011-12 Redbook	2012-13 Dept Final Request E	2012-13 Mayor's Budget Rec	Variance
A51000 - Board of Zoning Appeals					
00183 - Land Use Controls					
448115 - Other Fees	93,574	105,000	105,000	96,417	(8,583)
00183 - Land Use Controls	93,574	105,000	105,000	96,417	(8,583)
A51000 - Board of Zoning Appeals	93,574	105,000	105,000	96,417	(8,583)
Grand Total	93,574	105,000	105,000	96,417	(8,583)

# CITY OF DETROIT MAYOR'S 2012-2013 RECOMMENDED BUDGET

Appropriation	REDBOOK FY	DEPT REQUEST	MAYORS FY
Organization	2011 2012 FTE	FY 2012 2013 FTE	2012 2013 FTE
Classification			
00183 - Land Use Controls			
510010 - Board of Zoning Appeals Ordinanc			
Director - Board of Zoning App	1	1	1
Asst to the Dir-Zoning Appeals	1	1	0
Zoning Inspector	1	1	1
Executive Secretary III	1	1	1
Total Board of Zoning Appeals Ordinance Ad	4	4	3
Total Land Use Controls	4	4	3
Agency Total	4	4	3

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