



CITY OF DETROIT

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COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

MEMORANDUM

To: David Whitaker, Legislative Policy Division

Through: Mary Sheffield, City Council President

From: Council Member At-Large Mary Waters submitting memorandum relative to

Date: 9/2/2025

RE: Questions RE Outstanding City Tax Abatements Set to Expire

SUMMARY:

- How many city-approved tax abatements are scheduled to expire across Detroit within the next five years? Of those, how many will expire in the upcoming year?
- How many housing development projects currently benefiting from tax abatements exist, and how many commercial development projects are under the same benefit?
 - Among these abated projects, how many are still within their development completion timelines?
- How many privately owned development projects that received tax abatements have not yet broken ground or commenced construction

With best regards,

Mary Waters

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