



CITY OF DETROIT

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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

To: James Ribbron, Director, Board of Zoning Appeals

Through: Budget Finance & Audit Standing Committee

From: Council President Mary Sheffield submitting memorandum relative to

Date: 3/16/2022

RE: Board of Zoning Appeals Budget Hearing Questions for FY22-23

SUMMARY:

- 1) On page B51-3, the expenditures increase from \$599, 871 in FY2022 to \$618, 449 in FY2023, please explain what accounts for this difference.
- 2) On page B51-2, there is a significant increase in net tax cost from FY 2023 to FY 2024, what accounts for this difference?
- 3) The BZA has been conducting their hearings in the Public Safety Head Quarters, please explain any needed media needs to be able conduct appropriate meetings.
- 4) How many appeals came before the BZA from FY21-FY 22?
 - a. Please list all the types of appeals considered
 - b. Please detail how many appeals were granted and denied
- 5) Since the passage of the original marijuana legislation, how many establishments received a variance for a marijuana request?
- 6) On page B51-3, there is a decrease in expenditures for operating supplies and operating services, please explain that accounts for this.
- 7) Has the board had any quorum issues? Please explain, if so.

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