

In City Council December 20, 2012.
Voted unanimously to carry out the
intent of the report.

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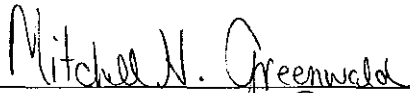
December 13, 2012

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee

SUBJECT: **MEMORANDUM: City Assessor – Property Tax Exemptions and Credits - Veteran, Veteran Surviving Spouse and Disabled Veteran**

On a vote of 5-0, the Finance, Organization and Personnel Committee recommends the City Council retain the amount of the optional Veteran credit at \$225 and make no changes to the veterans surviving spouse and disabled veteran credits, which are already at the maximum allowed by State Statute.



Chairman/Designee

Background:

Mr. Bernaiche stated the next item is in reference to veteran, veteran surviving spouse and disabled veteran credits. At this point staff is recommending no change. He added that in looking at those taxpayers who receive these credits, their tax bill between 2009 and 2012 was essentially unchanged.

Councilor Roberts clarified that three years ago when this matter came before the Committee there was a question of a quorum because there were some councilors who were also veterans. He indicated that he wanted it to be clear that Councilors are able to vote on this issue even though they may be veterans who are eligible for the credits. Attorney Goodwin agreed.

Councilor Roberts made the following motion which was seconded by Councilor Clark:

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