

To: Letter to the Editor
From: Dennis B. Buckley
Date: June 25, 2012

Dear Editor,

I would like to have the following letter placed in this week's edition of the Southside Times.

THE FIRST OF MANY TOUGH DECISIONS

Back in May of 2012 I introduced a General Obligation Bond to the Common Council to purchase a fire engine, an ambulance, make repairs to at least six municipal buildings, proceed with the Federal ADA Act, correct an erosion problem in the creek in Sarah T. Bolton Park, make improvements in our park system and to finally re-construct Main Street. This G.O. Bond replaces one that matured in 2012 and will also replace another G.O. Bond that matures in 2013, so there is little to no affect on the tax rates and little to no affect on the budget, as these figures are already budgeted for. But what I must tell you is that this is the first of many difficult decisions that the Common Council will be making over the next couple of years. This G.O. Bond will help stabilize our investment as a city and hopefully draw new people and business to us as we re-define ourselves. At the Common Council meeting on July 2nd, the Council will hear this proposal on third and final reading and I would encourage its passage. Soon after this I will introduce further legislation to correct matters concerning trash pick up, sanitary sewer flow, storm water retention, smoking and the City's outdated Personnel Manual. All difficult matters that effect each and every one of us of which I will tackle head on. Through all of this, it is imperative that we grow as a city and we are making great strides in promoting our city and hopefully soon, we can welcome new investments and neighbors.

Respectfully, Submitted,

Dennis B. Buckley
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