

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 173 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ALFRED WESSELS**

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3 An ordinance pertaining to the allocation and approval of public funds; amending  
4 Section One (1) (v) of Ordinance 67794, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section  
5 pertaining to the same subject matter pertaining to providing for the annual allocation of  
6 One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) for crime prevention programs and requiring the  
7 affirmative vote of a majority of all members of the Board of Aldermen; amending  
8 Section 8 of Ordinance 67477, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section pertaining to the  
9 same subject matter pertaining to providing for the creation of a special fund to be known  
10 as the Neighborhood Park Fund for the purpose of funding certain park capital  
11 improvements and recreational purposes throughout the city and requiring the affirmative  
12 vote of a majority of all members of the Board of Aldermen; amending Section 9 of  
13 Ordinance 64994, and enacting in lieu thereof a new section pertaining to the same  
14 subject matter pertaining to providing for the creation of a special fund to be known as  
15 the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District Capital Improvements Sales Tax Trust  
16 Fund for the purpose of funding certain park capital improvements and recreational  
17 purposes throughout the city and requiring the affirmative vote of a majority of all  
18 members of the Board of Aldermen; amending Section 5 of Ordinance 65435, and  
19 enacting in lieu thereof a new section pertaining to the same subject matter pertaining to  
20 the use of the Animal Protection Facility Restoration Fund for the purpose of capital  
21 improvements and requiring the affirmative vote of a majority of all members of the  
22 Board of Aldermen containing a severability clause.

23 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

24 **SECTION ONE.** Section One (1) (v) of Ordinance 67794, is hereby amended as  
25 follows:

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1 SECTION ONE: (a) In the event of the approval by the voters of the sales tax submitted  
2 by Ordinance \_\_\_\_ (Board Bill 351, Committee Substitute), the annual proceeds of such  
3 tax shall be initially deposited in a City Public Safety Protection Sales Tax Fund and shall  
4 be dedicated to and used for the following purposes, commencing with the fiscal year  
5 beginning July 1, 2008, and each fiscal year thereafter:

6 (i) Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,500,000) for police pensions,  
7 which shall be deposited in a special account within the City Public Safety Protection  
8 Sales Tax Fund named the Public Safety Pension Trust Sub-Account;

9 (ii) Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$5,500,000) for firefighters'  
10 pensions, which shall be deposited in the Public Safety Pension Trust Sub-Account;

11 (iii) Three Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,400,000), which shall  
12 remain in the City Public Safety Protection Sales Tax Fund and shall be used for salary  
13 increases for firefighters, police and civilian employees of the police department in the  
14 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and shall be used in subsequent fiscal years to  
15 maintain such salaries at such increased levels;

16 (iv) Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,600,000), which amount shall  
17 remain in the City Public Safety Protection Sales Tax Fund and shall be used for a  
18 portion of the costs of compensating and providing benefits, including pension funding  
19 for that number of new police officers, if established by the board of police  
20 commissioners as provided by law, which would result in a police force of approximately  
21 One Thousand Four Hundred (1,400) officers, and in subsequent fiscal years the same  
22 amount for payment of a portion of the cost of compensation and benefits, including  
23 pension funding, for such new police officers or their replacements; and

24 (v) One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) shall be allocated annually for crime  
25 prevention programs to be administered by resolution of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen

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1 with approval of the Public Safety Committee **and the affirmative vote of a majority of**  
2 **all members of the Board of Aldermen** and overseen by the City's public safety  
3 department.

4 **SECTION TWO.** Section 8 of Ordinance 67477, is hereby amended as follows:

5 SECTION EIGHT. The Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry and the Budget  
6 Division are directed to include in the City budget to be prepared for Fiscal Year 2008 the  
7 sum of One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,600,000) from General Revenue,  
8 to be appropriated conditioned on payment by BJH of its initial payment to the BJH  
9 Maintenance Trust, and in every year thereafter in which such BJH payment is made, for  
10 payment to a special fund, hereby created, to be known as the Neighborhood Park Fund.  
11 Moneys in the Neighborhood Park Fund may be expended solely (i) in Fiscal Year 2008,  
12 for the acquisition and improvement of land and facilities for park and recreational use  
13 within a one and one-half mile radius of the Leased Premises; and (ii) in each Fiscal Year  
14 thereafter, as follows" a) One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000)  
15 thereof for park capital improvement projects and recreation purposes throughout the  
16 City with at least Fifty percent (50%) of the One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars  
17 (\$1,200,000) to be spent on parks that are located north of Delmar Boulevard in the City;  
18 b) Three Hundred Thousand dollars (\$300,000) thereof for recreational programs  
19 administered by the Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry for children throughout  
20 the City; c) One Hundred Thousand Dollars for a program to be administered by the  
21 Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry to provide access for low-income children, as  
22 determined by such Director, to fee-based non-public recreational programs selected by  
23 such Director in the City. As part of the annual budget preparation process, the Director  
24 of Parks, Recreation and Forestry shall submit to the Budget Division recommendations  
25 for expenditure of revenues in the Neighborhood Park Fund; provided, said

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1 recommendations shall be approved by resolution of the Parks and Environmental  
2 Matters Committee of the Board of Aldermen **and the affirmative vote of a majority of**  
3 **all members of the Board of Aldermen** prior to their submission to the Budget  
4 Division.

5 **SECTION THREE.** Section 9 of Ordinance 64994, is hereby amended as follows:

6 SECTION NINE. Revenue on deposit in the Neighborhood Parks Capital Improvements  
7 Account shall only be expended for capital improvements projects in public parks owned  
8 by the City of St. Louis and maintained by the City's Department of Parks, Recreation  
9 and Forestry; provided, however, that no revenues in such account shall be expended for  
10 projects in any Major Park. Further, revenues in such account shall not be expended for  
11 more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the cost of any specific capital improvement  
12 project. Matching funds for any such specific capital improvement project shall be  
13 accepted by the Comptroller from any source whatsoever, including, but not limited to: i)  
14 revenues in any Ward Capital Improvements Sub-Account of the Capital Improvements  
15 Sales Tax Trust Fund established by Ordinance 62885; ii) Community Development  
16 Block Grant Funds; and iii) private donations and/or private and public grants on deposit  
17 in the City Treasury in accounts established by the Comptroller for such purpose.

18 In preparing and submitting to the Budget Division his or her annual appropriation  
19 recommendations for Neighborhood Parks, the Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry  
20 shall consider various factors, including, but not limited to: i) the relative capital  
21 improvement needs of the neighborhood parks; ii) the amount of Neighborhood Parks  
22 Capital Improvements Account funds appropriated to specific Wards and neighborhoods  
23 in previous years; iii) the percentage of non-Metro Parks Trust Fund matching funds  
24 available for the project; and iv) that each annual appropriation be balanced to provide  
25 neighborhood park improvements in as many different Wards and neighborhoods as

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1 possible. In addition, said recommendations shall be approved by resolution of the Parks  
2 and Environmental Matters Committee of the Board of Aldermen **and the affirmative**  
3 **vote of a majority of all members of the Board of Aldermen** prior to their submission  
4 to the Budget Division.

5 **SECTION FOUR.** Section 5 of Ordinance 65435, is hereby amended as follows:

6 **SECTION FIVE.** Capital improvements—Use.

7 The Director of Health and Hospitals shall recommend the use of said funds to the Health  
8 and Human Services Committee of the Board of Aldermen which shall determine the  
9 capital improvements for which the funds should be used, which use shall be consistent  
10 with this ordinance, and the Director, upon resolution passed by said Committee **and the**  
11 **affirmative vote of a majority of all members of the Board of Aldermen**, shall have  
12 the authority to prepare the necessary vouchers for such use of funds and the  
13 Comptroller, upon receipt of such voucher, shall draw warrants on the Fund. No part of  
14 such funds shall be used for any general operating purpose or expense, salaries, or  
15 advertising.

16 **SECTION FIVE. Severability Clause.** If any provision, clause, sentence, paragraph or  
17 word of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person, entity or circumstances  
18 shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance  
19 which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end  
20 the provisions of this ordinance are declared severable.