



Media Advisory

June 1, 2009

**City Council Budget Committee to Address
District Attorney Budget Request,
Vehicles for Safety & Permits Enforcement,
And Blighted Properties this Morning**

What: The Budget Committee will meet to discuss the following items:

Audit Matters

- 1) Status Report on 2008 Audit - Joey Richard, Michael Bruno, Derrick Muse, Kim Delarge

Budget Matters

- 1) Capital Projects status reports - Cynthia Sylvain-Lear, William Chrisman
- 2) Budget & Financial Monthly status reports - CAO, Finance
- 3) Ordinances/Motions/Resolutions - CAO
- 4) Sewerage and Water Board bond issue - Robert Jackson
- 5) Safety and Permits inspectors' vehicles - Paul May
- 6) Special Counsel compensation increase - Steven Lane
- 7) ORDA, blighted properties - Norris Butler
- 8) District Attorney budget request - Leon Cannizzaro
- 9) PPP budget concerns - Julie Schwam Harris
- 10) Other matters

To view the Committee Meeting agenda click [here](#).

When: Monday, June 1, 2009
10:00 a.m.

Where: City Council Chamber

Who:Special Guests

- Joey Richard
- Michael Bruno
- Derrick Muse, Deputy Director of Finance
- Kim Delarge
- Cynthia Sylvain-Lear, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
- William Chrisman, Director of Capital Projects
- Robert Jackson, New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board
- Paul May, Department of Safety and Permits
- Steven Lane, Managing Partner of Herman, Herman, Katz & Cotlar
- Norris Butler, Office of Recovery and Development Administration
- District Attorney Leon Cannizzaro
- Julie Schwam Harris, Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Relations

Committee Members

- Chair: District "D" Councilmember Cynthia Hedge-Morrell
- Councilmember-at-Large Arnie Fielkow
- District "B" Councilmember Stacy Head

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New Orleans City Council

The New Orleans City Council is the legislative branch of New Orleans city government. The Council considers and enacts all local laws that govern the City of New Orleans. The Council also approves the operating and capital budgets for the City, as recommended by the mayor, and continually monitors revenues and expenditures for local government operations. The City Council is also the regulatory body for public utilities. It also reviews and has final say on many land use and zoning matters, as well as considers major economic development projects for the City. As a Board of Review for Orleans Parish, the Council examines appeals of property tax assessments for real estate taxes, and certifies tax rolls to the Louisiana Tax Commission. Other responsibilities of the Council include overseeing the operation of the public access television in Orleans Parish.

The City Council is comprised of five districts and two councilmembers-at-large. Council President and Councilmember-at-Large Arnie Fielkow; Council Vice President and Councilmember-at-Large Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson; District "A" Councilmember Shelley Midura; District "B" Councilmember Stacy S. Head; District "C" Councilmember James Carter; District "D" Councilmember Cynthia Hedge-Morrell; and District "E" Councilmember Cynthia Willard-Lewis.