



MARQUETTE CITY COMMISSION  
AGENDA SUPPLEMENT  
February 28, 2011 – Regular Meeting

Public Hearing    Presentation    Consent    ► Unfinished Business    New Business

TO: Mayor and City Commission

SUBJECT: **Prevailing Wage Policy**

RECOMMENDATION: Revise the "Trigger Point" in the City's Prevailing Wage Policy from \$50,000 to \$65,000 to Adjust for Inflation

BACKGROUND: At the January 31, 2011 meeting of the City Commission the Commission direct staff to prepare a brief evaluation of the prevailing wage policy, and this evaluation was presented to the Commission at their meeting of February 14, 2011. At that meeting, the majority of the Commission indicated that they did not see compelling evidence that changing this policy would save the City significant money, and:

*It was moved by Commissioner Ryan, supported by Commissioner DePetro and carried on a five-to-two vote (with Commissioners Schneider and Saint-Onge voting no) to continue with the current City Prevailing Wage Policy and to review the trigger point in the policy to possibly adjust it for inflation.*

*It was then moved by Commissioner Ryan, supported by Commissioner DePetro and carried on a six-to-one vote (with Commissioner Schneider voting no) to direct staff to review the trigger point in the City Prevailing Wage Policy to possibly consider adjusting it for inflation and to make a recommendation to the Commission.*

Gary Simpson, the City's chief financial officer, has indicated that the \$50,000 used in this policy on January 1, 2000 would be worth \$65,231.93 on January 1, 2011.

FISCAL EFFECT: None by this action.

RECOMMENDATION: Revise the "trigger point" in the City's prevailing wage policy from \$50,000 to \$65,000 to adjust for inflation.

ALTERNATIVES: As determined by the Commission.