



Exhibit F

**AGENDA ITEM STAFF ANALYSIS**

**Project/Issue Name:** Bill #07-78, An Ordinance Adopting the 2008 Fiscal Year Budget for the City of Republic.

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**Issue Statement**

Annually, the City under Chapter 67 of the Missouri Statutes must prepare a budget plan for the following year. The budget is a comprehensive operational financial plan which includes:

- Budget message addressing important features of the budget
- Estimated revenues to be received for the year with a comparative statement of actual or estimated revenues for the previous two years
- Proposed expenditures and comparative expenditures for the previous two years
- Amount required for principal and interest
- A general summary

**Discussion and/or Analysis**

During the months of September and October, budget meetings were held to allow each department the opportunity to present requests or needs for 2008. Input has been received and incorporated into this document.

After the budget has been approved and adopted, the City shall not exceed the amount authorized for expenditure unless the governing body approves and adopts the increase. Under no circumstances are the expenditures to exceed the actual revenues to be received plus any unencumbered funds or less any deficits. The budget as presented meets the requirements of the Missouri Statutes and is balanced with the use of unencumbered funds.

For 2008, the estimated revenues are \$14,792,180 with estimated expenses of \$15,522,330 the difference is (\$730,150). The funds to cover the \$730,150 will come from the cash reserves of the General Fund at \$230,000 and the Street Reserves at \$500,150.

**Recommended Action**

The Director of Finance recommends the City Council approve the 2008 budget as presented.