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Council President Cathy Woolard
Members of the Atlanta City Council
City Hall 2nd Floor Suite 2900
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Dear President Woolard and Members of Council:

On March 18, 2002 the Atlanta City Council adopted Ordinance # **02-O-0468** that proposes to require the sunset of all resolutions and ordinances authorizing contracts, contract renewals, and notices to proceed on the 91st day after the date of approval.

The Law Department has advised me that Ordinance # **02-O-0468** as adopted, may create major legal difficulties for the City of Atlanta. A selected/notified contractor may have strong legal recourse against the City if the unexecuted contract is voided on the 91st day after approval.

Ordinance # **02-O-0469**, as adopted, proposes to require the Purchasing Agent to develop a complete list of all contracts that have expired, no later than 90 days from date of approval. Furthermore, Section 3 in this legislation indicates that all contracts expired more than 60 calendar days from the approval of # **02-O-0469** shall be re-bid.

While the timetables required by these ordinances are unattainable at this time, I will provide the City Council with a list of expired contracts, by departments, along with a corrective action plan By May 1, 2002. Forcing immediate implementation may interrupt vital services to the public.