

**Fattah for Mayor
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<p>Tom Knox and Michael Nutter say they want to “reform” government.</p>	<p>Knox Called on People to Join Him and Help Philadelphia Take a Step Towards Meaningful Reform. In 2006, Knox posted on his website, “We can achieve that kind of government. We implemented amazing reforms when I was Deputy Mayor for Management and Productivity under Mayor Rendell. We can do it again, but we need your help. Join me in two weeks, on November 30th, and help Philadelphia take a step towards real change and meaningful reform.” [www.knoxforphilly.com post, 11/19/06]</p> <p>Nutter Called Himself “The Only Real Reform Candidate in this Race.” In a 2007 editorial board interview, Nutter said, “I seriously consider myself the only real reform candidate in this race, and it comes out of the history and body of my work.” [Nutter <u>Inquirer</u> Editorial Board Interview, Spring 2007]</p>

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<p>What's their answer? Massive budget cuts, which would put neighborhood schools and services at risk.</p>	<p>Knox Pledged to Pay for 1,000 New Police Officers by Trimming \$400 Million from Budget. According to a 2007 <u>Inquirer</u> column, “When a voter asks Knox how he's going to pay for his proposed 1,000 new cops, the math whiz brags about how he'll trim \$400 million in fat from the city's bloated budget.” [<u>Philadelphia Inquirer</u>, Kinney Column, 3/18/07]</p> <p>Knox Claimed He Would Find \$400 Million But Could Only Point to \$100 Million in Savings. In 2007, the <u>Philadelphia Inquirer</u> wrote, “Knox claims he can scare up \$400 million by ending corruption and increasing efficiency. (The Mayor’s Chief of Staff Joyce Wilkerson calls this figure ‘beyond the pale.’) Knox has yet to detail how he'd reach this lofty total; a list of ideas produced by his campaign totaled less than \$100 million.” [<u>Philadelphia Inquirer</u>, 4/24/07]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PICA Said Hiring 1,000 New Officers Would Cost \$478 Million Over 5 Years. In a 2007 <u>Daily News</u> Op-Ed, the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority broke down the direct and indirect costs of hiring 1,000 new police officers over 5 years, assuming that 200 new officers were hired each year. They said the total cost of 1,000 new officers would be \$478,379,997. [<u>Daily News</u>, Op-Ed, 5/2/07] <p>Nutter Claims to Have Identified How He Would Pay for All of His Proposals. According to Nutter’s budget plan, “This analysis has identified \$129 Million in revenues available during my first year in office and a total of \$591 Million in new revenues available over five years. The combined cost of the proposals that I have made in this campaign is \$591 Million over five years.” [www.Nutter2007.com]</p>

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	<p data-bbox="646 283 1274 359">Nutter Planned to Cut \$47 Million Per Year in Savings and Efficiency from the City Budget.</p> <p data-bbox="646 363 1365 636">According to Nutter’s budget plan, “I will request a complete review of all City spending and programs, and aggressively seek savings and efficiencies. ... I assume that these savings will produce revenues equal to less than two percent of the overall budget... The amount is assumed to be \$47 million per year.” [www.Nutter2007.com]</p> <p data-bbox="646 680 1177 714">Nutter Planned to Find \$288 Million in “Efficiencies.”</p> <p data-bbox="646 718 1356 913">According to an <u>Inquirer</u> article, Nutter provided a list of how he'd generate the \$591 million through a series of one-year and longer-term moves. Among them are cumulative efficiency savings of \$288 million. [<u>Philadelphia Inquirer</u>, 4/18/07]</p> <p data-bbox="646 957 1258 991">Nutter’s Budget Plan Includes \$50 Million in ‘Surprise’ Revenues.</p> <p data-bbox="646 995 1360 1430">According to Nutter’s budget plan, “Because of the continued manipulation of the City’s estimated annual revenues, the fund balance increased in FY 2006 from an estimated \$201.5 Million to an actual \$254.5 Million. This amount is already reflected in the Five-Year Plan. It is likely that similar surprise revenues will appear in FY2007 as well. While the ‘surprise’ may be even larger, I assume only that revenues will exceed the budgeted projection by \$50 million, as it has in every budget for years.” [www.Nutter2007.com]</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="695 281 1372 856"> <p>PICA Predicts No Such Surprise Revenue. PICA explains that the increase in the FY 06 fund balance was due to growth in the business privilege and real estate transfer taxes, both of which are extremely volatile. Real estate transfer tax collections have begun to slow. After growing by just under 200 percent over the last five years, collections declined during the first quarter of FY07. PICA also points to lower than expected payroll costs in FY06 as a contributing factor but notes that, “The FY07 budget, however, appears to undo some of those controls as it includes over 700 new positions.” [PICA Report, “Translating Philadelphia’s FY06 Fund Balance,” 11/06]</p> <p data-bbox="646 898 1372 1087">Nutter Planned to Hire 500 Additional Police Officers – Estimated Cost at \$130 Million Over 5 Years. According to Nutter’s budget plan, he would hire 500 additional officers over 5 years at a cost to the city of \$130 million. [www.Nutter2007.com]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="695 1136 1372 1640"> <p>PICA Projects Costs of Hiring 500 Police Officers at \$239 Million. In a 2007 <u>Daily News</u> Op-Ed, the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority broke down the direct and indirect costs of hiring 1,000 new police officers over 5 years, assuming that 200 new officers were hired each year. They said the total cost of 1,000 new officers would be \$478,379,997. Cutting this number in half, and assuming 100 new officers were hired each year, would cost \$239,189,998; a substantially higher price than Nutter has estimated. [<u>Daily News</u>, Op-Ed, 5/2/07; www.nutter2007.com]</p>

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	<p>Nutter Was Blamed for \$1.2 Million in Funding Cuts for His Council District. Nutter was blamed by Mayor Street for \$1.2 million in funding cuts for his district. The cuts were in demolition funds for blighted properties. Nutter claimed that the cuts were due to Street’s personal animosity towards him. Street responded that Nutter had refused to work with him to identify properties for demolition. He said, “We can’t just keep money laying around, if we can’t get the district- Council person to cooperate with us,” and added that working with Nutter had “just been an exercise in frustration.” [Philadelphia Daily News, 2/26/04]</p> <p>City Budget Pays for Schools and Essential Services. According to PICA’s Citizen’s Guide to the Budget, 20.9% of the City’s budget will be spent on social services, with another 6% spent on community services for FY08. For FY07, the City will spend \$58 million on education. Additionally, 26,000 children received services from the City’s Department of Human Services in FY06. [PICA Report, “Citizen’s Guide to the Budget”, 4/07]</p>
<p>With one in four of our people living in poverty, that's a plan Philadelphia just can't afford.</p>	<p>24.5% of Individuals in Philadelphia Live Below the Poverty Line. In 2005, 24.5% of individual Philadelphians live below the poverty line. The federal poverty level for an individual in 2005 was an annual income of less than \$9,570. [U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey; www.census.gov]</p>

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<p>My plan offers hope for our city -- seizing illegal guns; improving early learning and literacy; opening after-school programs for every child.</p> <p>I've spent a lifetime transforming young lives.</p> <p>Together, you and I will transform our city.</p>	<p>Fattah's Groceries for Guns Program Has Collected Over 1,000 Guns. In 2007, Fattah's Groceries for Guns program, co-sponsored by Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown collected over 1,000 guns off of Philadelphia's streets. Since January, Fattah and Reynolds Brown have held 5 Groceries for Guns events in neighborhoods throughout the city. [Philadelphia Inquirer, 5/4/07; Fattah Congressional Press Release, 4/28/07]</p> <p>Fattah's Opportunity Agenda Calls for Increased Focus and Investment in Early Learning and Literacy. Fattah's Opportunity Agenda calls for creating a network of early child care and education centers available to all Philadelphians, noting that just 66% of children entering Philadelphia's public school kindergartens had received formal early education. Fattah has also called for expanding teacher training for elementary school teachers to effectively teach literacy, training for parents in teaching literacy to the children and looking for new ways to deliver reading materials to children to make sure more children learn to read at an early age. [Fattah Opportunity Agenda, www.phillyforfattah.com]</p> <p>Fattah Plans to Provide Access to After-School Programs for Every 12 to 16 Year Old. According to the Fattah Plan for After-School, Fattah will commit \$15 million annually in new resources to expand after-school programs so that every child ages 12 to 16 has access to an after-school program. Ultimately, Fattah will seek to expand after school programs for all children. [Fattah Plan for After School, www.phillyforfattah.com]</p>