May 1, 2003

To the Honorable Common Council Public Improvements Committee City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

Attached is File No. 021205 being a substitute resolution adopting a Flood Mitigation Plan for the City of Milwaukee.

This plan was prepared under the terms of an agreement between the City and the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Plan Commission (SEWRPC). The plan catalogues previous flooding problems in the city, describes what is being done about them by the City, MMSD and others, outlines alternatives for additional flood mitigation improvements, and lists actions individual property owners can take to reduce the potential for flood damage to their property. Preparation and adoption of the plan is required by the Federal Emergency Management Administration for the City to be eligible for any future federal flood disaster assistance.

The plan was initially reviewed by the department and requests were made to update the plan to reflect various improvements that have either taken place since 1987 or are currently taking place. A substitute resolution was also prepared that stressed the need to update the city's floodplain maps as soon as possible following the completion of flood mitigation improvements to the various drainage systems affecting the city.

Based on this information, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting of April 28, 2003, recommended that the Common Council approve the attached substitute resolution.

Sincerely,

Julie A. Penman
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

File

Attachment

Cc: Thomas Miller, DPW