

May 20, 2004

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: ETMA/UW-M Bicycle Loan Program

Dear Council Members:

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) has informed the City of Milwaukee that the "ETMA/UW-M Bicycle Loan Program" has been approved for funding under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program. The program consists of continuing the project initiated by the Eastside Transportation Management Association (ETMA) and UW-M Milwaukee that loans bicycles to students for use during the school year. The purpose of the program is to reduce the dependence on automobiles within the commuter impacted neighborhood. UW-M Milwaukee has committed to funding the local share of the project.

The WISDOT has submitted the attached Project Agreement to be executed by the City of Milwaukee for the programming of the subject project with 80 percent CMAQ funds. The remaining 20 percent of the project costs will be UW-M Milwaukee funds.

We have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution which authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the Project Agreement and authorizes and directs the City Comptroller to create the proper accounts for the project.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E.
City Engineer

James P. Purko

Director of Operations

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Attachments

c: W. M. Morics