April 9, 2003

To the Honorable Common Council

Subject: West Highland Boulevard

**CP** Rail Underpass

Dear Council Members:

Common Council Resolution File Number 86-1643, adopted January 13, 1987, authorized and directed the execution of a project agreement with the WISDOT for programming and reconstruction of the West Highland Boulevard Bridge over the CP Rail tracks under the Local Bridge Replacement Program with 80% Federal and/or State aid.

The original project agreement did not include Real Estate work. However, due to the current design, real estate must be acquired for the construction and maintenance of the proposed bridge and roadway approaches. We have requested, and the WISDOT has agreed to add a Real Estate phase to this bridge reconstruction. The real estate will also be eligible for 80% Federal/State aid cost participation.

We have, therefore, prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution authorizing and directing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the Revised Project Agreement.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Mariano A. Schifalacqua Commissioner of Public Works

RB:dle Attachment

c: Alderman Murphy

bc: Structural Design Section

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