

November 5, 2007

To The Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: Permanent Removal of Traffic Control Signal Equipment
West Keefe Avenue (Vacated) and
North 27th Street

Dear Council Members:

Since the traffic signal at the subject intersection is no longer warranted following the cessation of most activity at the Tower Automotive Plant, the Commissioner of Public Works was previously authorized to shut down and cover the traffic control signal at the subject intersection on a trial basis under Council File 061116. This temporary shut down would provide a period of time to fully evaluate traffic operations and safety at the intersection prior to permanent removal of the signal. On February 7, 2007, the traffic control signal at the subject intersection was shut down and covered and sufficient time has passed for an engineering evaluation and safety study to be performed. The results of the engineering evaluation and safety study indicate that permanent removal of the traffic control signal at the subject intersection will not result in reduced safety, and will improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

We have, therefore, prepared the attached resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to permanently remove traffic control signal equipment at West Keefe Avenue (Vacated) and North 27th Street.

Very truly yours,

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City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes
Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment
c: Honorable Willie C. Wade