

August 27, 2001

To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 990879

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 990879, being a request by Water Street Investment LLC for a special privilege to install and maintain 2 metal tree grates, 6 uprights with brackets on street light poles, brick pavers in the sidewalk area and two planters on the sidewalk adjacent to the property at 789 North Water Street.

A subsequent revision in the proposal now defines the proposal as follows: To install and maintain 2 metal tree grates on the west side of North Water Street within the fully concrete paved sidewalk area and to install and maintain 13 uprights with brackets on harp light poles or street light poles on the west side of North Water Street and on the south side of East Wells Street. The proposed sidewalk amenities are to enhance the exterior appearance of the newly constructed building at 789 North Water Street. A requirement of the light attachment is that a "key switch" be mounted for our access and safety in the event that a pole gets knocked down or otherwise needs to temporarily be taken out of service.

We do not believe that the proposed tree grates or uprights will have an adverse effect upon the pedestrian usage of the public rights-of-way in this area. We have, therefore, prepared the attached resolution which, if adopted, would allow the tree grates and uprights to occupy the public rights-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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City Engineer

Mariano A. Schifalacqua
Commissioner of Public Works

Martin G. Collins
Commissioner
Department of Neighborhood Services

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Attachment