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August 1, 2019

Jeff Cheske  
1218 S. 17th Street  
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*mailed  
8/6/19*

Re: Communication from Jeff Cheske  
C.I. File No. 1068-2019-1222

Dear Mr. Cheske:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$609.31, relating to damage to your vehicle on June 14, 2019 when a City tree branch fell onto it while it was parked at 1218 South 17th Street.

The Forestry Section records indicate that on Friday, June 14, 2019 the Call Center received a call for a broken branch down on a car at 1218 South 17th Street. The On-Call Forestry crew was not called by the Call Center. There was no indication of damage when a Forestry crew arrived on Monday, June 17, 2019.

The Section notes that Milwaukee experienced winds averaging 15.9 miles per hour with peak winds speeds of 47 miles per hour on June 14, 2019. They also reviewed their records for the last 5 years at this location for tree-related issues and found 15 requests for service. They responded and handled each properly. The tree appeared sound and healthy. The trees in this area are on a regular pruning schedule and were last pruned in March 2019.


There is no evidence that the City was negligent in this matter. The City would not be liable. Therefore, we are denying your claim.



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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,



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SMC/cdr

c: Ian Brown (Forestry)

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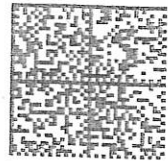
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