

December 20, 2006

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 061077

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 061077, which grants a special privilege to S & P Investments, LLC for a barrier free access ramp in the public right-of-way for the premises at 3147-49 North 5th Street.

The applicant constructed a wooden barrier free access ramp to make the first floor of its duplex accessible. The ramp is designed such that the bottom of the ramp is located in the side yard of the property and extends east to an 11-foot wide platform, which projects 1 foot 6 inches into the west 10-foot wide sidewalk area of North 5th Street. From the platform the ramp turns and extends west back to the front porch of the house. The platform is about 4 feet 6 inches above the adjacent sidewalk grade. It should be noted that the entire ramp and platform is behind the paved public sidewalk and does not restrict pedestrian traffic.

We are not aware that the presence of said barrier free access ramp will have an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached special privilege resolution, which, if adopted, will allow said barrier free access ramp to occupy the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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Commissioner of Public Works

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Commissioner
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Attachment
c: Alderman Michael McGee