February 19, 2003

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: City of Milwaukee Bike Plan Update

Dear Council Members:

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) has informed the City of Milwaukee that the "City of Milwaukee Bike Plan Update" project has been approved for funding under the Local Transportation Enhancement Program. The project consists of updating the current bicycle plan, which was prepared 12 years ago, in conjunction with the Regional Bike Plan, the State Bike Plan, Milwaukee County's Oak Leaf Trail, the Hank Aaron State Trail, and various neighboring community plans. It is our intention to retain a private consultant to undertake this project.

The WISDOT has submitted the attached Project Agreement to be executed by the City of Milwaukee for the programming of the subject project with 80 percent STP-Discretionary funds. The remaining 20 percent of the project costs will be City funds.

We have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution which authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the Project Agreement and authorizes and directs the City Comptroller to create the proper accounts for the project.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Mariano A.Schifalacqua Commissioner of Public Works

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