

May 13, 2008

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: North Humboldt Avenue Bridges  
over Commerce Street and the Milwaukee River

Dear Council Members:

Common Council Resolution File Number 041494, adopted on March 16, 2005, authorized the Commissioner of Public Works to execute project agreements with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) for replacement of the North Humboldt Avenue Bridges over Commerce Street and the Milwaukee River. The project agreements provided funding participation of 80 percent Federal and/or State aid with 20 percent City participation, under the Local Bridge Replacement program.

Since the time of executing the original project agreements, preliminary engineering work has been completed and construction estimates have been further refined and increased. Consequently, we have requested, and the WISDOT has authorized, additional funds for construction associated with the two bridge replacement projects. The amounts are reflected in the attached revised project agreements.

We have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the revised project agreements. The construction funds for these projects will be requested in a separate resolution.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E.  
City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes  
Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment

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Alderman Nik Kovac

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Ms. Cynthia Wisneski  
Ms. Lila Gorney