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**To:** Ald. James Bohl  
**From:** Mary E. Turk, Legislative Fiscal Analyst - Lead  
**Date:** 5/6/10  
**Subject:** Neighborhood Watch Signs

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The following is further information about the program that exists in Wauwatosa for neighborhood watch signs.

Wauwatosa has a Neighborhood Watch Steering Committee which meets monthly. There are several representatives of the Police Department on the committee as well as people who live and/or work in Wauwatosa. One of the members, a Police Captain, is the person who initiated the neighborhood watch sign program. Originally, the cost of the signs was split between the watch groups and the Police Department. Now the Police Department pays the full cost for the signs. A watch group makes the request for a neighborhood watch sign. To have a neighborhood watch sign erected requires that the majority of the block has watch signs in the windows of their homes. Unless an area is already saturated with neighborhood watch signs, requests are always granted.

I hope this information will prove useful to you. Please feel free to contact me at x8680 with any questions or for further information.

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