

March 14, 2006

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 051435

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 051435, being an amendment to a special privilege for change of ownership to Grand Avenue City Mall, LLC for items that were granted permission previously and for permission for a building entry sign to encroach into the public right-of-way for the premises at 275 West Wisconsin Avenue.

New Arcade, a previous owner, petitioned in 2005 under Common Council Resolution File Number 050123 to construct and maintain a building entry sign at the 161 West Wisconsin Avenue entrance for the premises at 275 West Wisconsin Avenue. Common Council Resolution File Number 050123 is being included in the attached resolution for better file management, and is to be placed on file as no longer needed.

The new entry sign to demarcate the West Wisconsin Avenue entrance of the 161 West Wisconsin Avenue building is located in the south 16.5-foot wide sidewalk area of West Wisconsin Avenue. The sign projects approximately 8 feet 6 inches into the public sidewalk area and provides approximately 10 feet 8 inches of clearance.

Two of the four harp lights and both non-governmental flags at 161 West Wisconsin Avenue were removed as a result of the new entry sign installation. The remaining two harp lights are scheduled for removal under the proposed 2006 Wisconsin Avenue Streetscape.

A site visit revealed the presence of two additional tree guards in the existing tree grates within the public right-of-way of North Michigan Street.

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We do not believe that the previously permitted items, new entry sign, and additional tree guards 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 these items to be located within the public right-of-way, will change the name of the grantee, and will place Common Council Resolution File Number 050123 on file.

Very truly yours,

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c: Alderman Robert Bauman

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