

June 27th, 2005

To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: East Wisconsin Avenue

Dear Honorable Members:

The Common Council has previously authorized and directed the Commissioner of Public Works to execute an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) for the programming and construction of pedestrian facilities improvements on East/West Wisconsin Avenue, North Water Street and East/East Kilbourn Avenue, using Federal Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Program Funds (Common Council File Number 981733 and File Number 990806).

The enhancement work will include replacing the existing lighting units with the newly designed street lighting units, replacement of existing traffic control signage and traffic control signals on East Wisconsin Avenue from North Milwaukee Street to the intersection of North Prospect Avenue and East Mason Street. Funding for the installation of street lighting units, traffic control signage, and traffic control signals would be available from WISDOT by means of an Agreed Unit Price (AUP) contract.

The attached resolution authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Public Works to execute an AUP contract with WISDOT that allows City forces to install the new street lighting units, traffic control signage, and traffic control signals along East Wisconsin Avenue from North Milwaukee Street to the intersection of North Prospect Avenue and East Mason Street using CMAQ funds, which will cover 80 percent of the costs. The local share will be funded through the Department of Public Works.

Very truly yours,

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City Engineer

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Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment