December 9, 2011

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: Lapham Park West Land Place, West Reservoir Avenue, North 6th Street and North 7th Street Conduit, Manhole and Cabling Easements

Dear Council Members:

The Housing Authority of the City of Milwaukee (HACM) currently operates a low income housing development known as Lapham Park on the block bounded by West Land Place, West Reservoir Avenue, North 6th Street and North 7th Street. This high-rise development will undergo a renovation paid for with tax credits that an investor has purchased which will give them a majority ownership interest with HACM having a minority ownership interest. With the site no longer under the sole ownership of the HACM, the City needs an easement to allow the underground conduit, manholes and cables to remain in place and continue to serve the communication needs of the site.

Being a HACM development, the site is currently linked into the City's telephone and data network and desires to continue to be connected into this system so these facilities can remain on this property within a designated easement. The easements allow the conduit, manholes and cabling to remain in place and provide permission for the City to maintain and operate the facility as needed within the easement limits to serve the existing buildings.

This resolution authorizes the City to execute the two easements, U.G. 32 and U.G. 33, which grants the City permission to keep and maintain an existing communications conduit, manhole and cabling within the block bounded by West Land Place, West Reservoir Avenue, North 6th Street and North 7th Street.

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It is, therefore, recommended that this resolution be adopted by the Common Council.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

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Attachments

c: Mr. Warren Jones, HACM