

November 1, 2006

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 060684

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File 060684, which amends a special privilege for change of ownership to Milwaukee Fortress, LLC for a backup driveway and grants permission for two sets of concrete steps and a double excess door swing encroachment for the premises at 100 East Pleasant Street, also known as 1718 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

Fred M. Feld and Harry A. Stearns petitioned for a special privilege to keep and maintain a loading space and wood platform in the public right-of-way, which serve as a backup driveway. Permission for said backup driveway was granted in 1959 under Common Council File Number 59-1583. The attached special privilege resolution requires that vehicles using the backup driveway extend no further than 8 feet beyond the curb face and that the grantee provide sufficient traffic control to maintain safe, two-way traffic on North 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

A site visit revealed the presence of two sets of concrete steps and a double excess door swing encroachment located in the north, 15-foot wide sidewalk area of East Pleasant Street. Both sets of concrete steps, which are each 12 feet long, project 1 foot 10 inches in the fully paved sidewalk area. The doors project 1 foot 6 inches into the public way, when fully open, in excess of the 12 inches allowed under Section 245-4-8 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.

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We are not aware that the presence of said items has had 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 change the name of the grantee to Milwaukee Fortress, LLC and will grant permission for two sets of concrete steps and a double excess door swing to encroach in the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment

c: Alderman Michael McGee, Jr.