January 10, 2006

To the Honorable Common Council Public Works Committee City of Milwaukee

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 051170 is a resolution to facilitate housing development in the Metcalfe Park area by declaring the City-owned vacant lots between North 27th and North 38th Streets and West North Avenue to West Center Street surplus to municipal needs and authorizing conveyance of the uncommitted City-owned lots in this area to the Gorman Company for housing development, in the 15th Aldermanic District.

The Gorman Company has proposed to develop single-family, scattered site housing in the Metcalfe Park area by constructing rental homes using Federal affordable housing tax credits and then selling the units to the residents for homeownership. In addition to providing new homeownership opportunities in the City of Milwaukee, this housing will increase the City's tax base.

Since there is no municipal need for these properties, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on January 9, 2006, recommended approval of the subject resolution.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux Executive Secretary City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Real Estate