

LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ITEM 2, FILE 051014

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File #051014 is a substitute resolution authorizing and directing the proper City officials to execute the Miller Park Traffic Control Easement Agreement and authorizing and directing the Commissioner of Public Works to let construction contracts for the Canal Street Miller Park Reversible Lanes/VMS Project.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

1. This substitute resolution directs the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the Miller Park Traffic Control Easement Agreement and to let construction contracts for the Canal Street Miller Park Reversible Lanes/Variable Message Sign (VMS) Project to facilitate two-way traffic and efficient stadium parking lot operations on the Miller Park South Access Road during stadium events with the completion of the Canal Street Extension.
2. DPW has developed a traffic control plan for the Miller Park South (Frederick Miller Way) and East Access (Selig Drive) Roads which includes minor roadway geometric improvements, six overhead sign structures, a variable message sign, static signage, pavement markings, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) equipment for reversible lane operation. A portion of the traffic control plan will be on the Miller Park South and East Access roads, which is under the jurisdiction of the State of Wisconsin Building Commission (State), who leases the lands to the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball Park District (SEWPBPD), who subleases the lands to the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club, limited Partnership (Milwaukee Brewers). The SEWPBPD and the Milwaukee Brewers were involved in the creation of the plan.
3. In the Agreement, the City will furnish and install facilities at the city's expense. The facilities include removals, grading, base course, concrete pavement, concrete curb and gutter, concrete curb ramp and replacement of existing sidewalk adjacent to curb ramp, storm sewer, 6 sign structures, permanent signage, pavement markings, erosion control, and Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) equipment for reversible lane operation. The City owned facilities are the 6 sign structures, ITS equipment and permanent signage. All other facilities will be owned by the State. The City will maintain, repair and replace the facilities, with the cost being shared, 75% by the City and 25% by the Milwaukee Brewers.
4. The construction, including access to easement area, City-owned facilities, maintenance, repair, inspection and replacement, will not interfere with the use of the Access Roads or events.
5. After construction, the reversible lane project will always flow on four lanes of traffic. During normal, non-event times, traffic will flow on 2 lanes eastbound and 2 lanes westbound. Hours prior to an event, the traffic will flow on 3 lanes eastbound and 1 lane westbound. After an event, the traffic will flow on 1 lane eastbound and 3 lanes westbound.
6. The City Attorney's Office and DPW have negotiated the Agreement between the City, State and SEWPBPD and the Milwaukee Brewers. The Agreement allows the City to construct, own, and maintain portions of the traffic control equipment.

7. Common Council File #030453 approved the plat of right-of-way required for the W. Canal Street improvement and Miller Park and for the authorized acquisitions of the lands; and Common Council File #031256 authorized DPW to negotiate and execute agreements necessary for the construction of W. Canal Street.
8. A Federal-State Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant of \$40,000, through the Marquette Interchange traffic mitigation, is provided for the variable message sign component of the traffic control plan, to be located at 25th and W. Canal Street. Other costs associated with the traffic control plan, estimated at \$350,000, \$280,000 for contract costs and \$70,000 for construction engineering were approved in Common Council Files #041405, 041034, 041234, 041466, 041237, 050563 and 040944.

FISCAL IMPACT

1. This resolution approves the execution of the Miller Park Traffic Control Easement Agreement for the construction of the reversible lanes project and the acceptance of the Federal-State CMAQ grant, \$40,000, for the variable message sign component of the traffic control plan.
2. The department indicates that costs associated with the traffic control plan reversible lanes, estimated at \$350,000, \$280,000 for contract costs and \$70,000 for construction engineering, were previously approved in Common Council Files #041405, 041034, 041234, 041466, 041237, 050563 and 040944.

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