

September 9, 2005

To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: IH-94 Freeway Project
Municipal Utility Agreements

Dear Honorable Members:

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) has scheduled the rehabilitation of the IH-94 from North 25th Street/St. Paul Avenue to North 26th Street in the City of Milwaukee. The project is to be constructed in 2006. The Department of Public Works (DPW) has assisted the WISDOT in the design and construction aspects of the project to best meet the needs of the citizens of the City of Milwaukee. The rehabilitation of the project will however result in minor alterations to city water and communications facilities. Wisconsin State Statute 84.295(4m) requires that the city accommodate these types of freeway projects and that the WISDOT pay 90 percent of the cost for alterations to municipal facilities with the remaining 10 percent being the responsibility of the affected municipal jurisdiction.

The total estimated cost for alterations to city water and communications facilities is \$132,606 of which the City of Milwaukee will be responsible for \$13,260.60. In order to be reimbursed for the 90 percent WISDOT share of the work, it is necessary for the City of Milwaukee to enter into utility agreements which define the work and the process for cost sharing on the project. The WISDOT has provided the City of Milwaukee with the necessary agreements for the project.

The DPW has reviewed the estimates and find them to accurately reflect the required utility alterations in conjunction with the project. As such we have prepared the attached resolution which if adopted will approve the utility agreements associated with the IH-94 freeway work and will allow for the City of Milwaukee's participation in the alteration of water and communication facilities as necessary and will provide for 90 percent cost share by the WISDOT. Said resolution will also authorize the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the agreements as well as take action as necessary to accomplish the work and will authorize the City Engineer and the City Comptroller to make periodic payments and billing in accord with established procedures to properly account for the costs associated with said work. We respectfully recommend adoption of the resolution.

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Very truly yours,

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Attachments

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