

July 7, 2009

Re: Proposed Sound Barrier Wall along the 16th Street and Bottsford Ave. area.

Alderman Robert Bauman
Public Works Committee Members
City Hall Room 205
200 E. Wells St.
Milwaukee WI 53202

Dear Alderman Bauman and Members of the Public Works Committee,

We are writing this letter as a follow up to the Public Works Committee Meeting held on June 24, 2009.

At this meeting the Board decided to hold over any action on the Sound Barrier Wall at the S 16th St. and Bottsford Ave. along the I94 and 894 locations until the August meeting. This is not a city project but one being done by the State of Wisconsin as part of the I 94 rebuild from Milwaukee to the State line. Since we did not receive a specific date as to the next meeting we would like to pass on some information to you and your committee members at this time. We ask that all members of your committee get a chance to see this letter since we did not have all of their names so we could send copies to them. Feel free to discuss this matter and come to the neighborhood and see our concerns first hand.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation held a meeting sometime back at the Hospitality Inn on S. 27th St. to inform the public of the wall placements and styles. They asked that you take the paper specific to your neighborhood and choose if you wanted a wall and what type of wall you would prefer or if you didn't want a wall. Those of us who were unable to attend the meeting were asked to take the Blue paper and fill out the information for our area and mail it back to the Department Of Transportation I 94 Project. The tally of these papers would be provided to Alderman Witkowski. The results of that tally were 13 people not in favor of the wall and 9 people in favor of the wall. This is now the 3rd time a vote has been taken in the last 19 years and each time the public has said no to the wall. Alderman Witkowski has decided that we should have the wall built, against what the majority of the people asked for. It is our understanding the majority should rule and be followed after all this is a democracy.

After our meeting at City Hall a number of the neighbors came by to ask how things went and they were told of what Alderman Witkowski proposed and that the next meeting would be sometime in August. One of the individuals asked if a petition could be sent to you and the committee and so one neighbor went door to door asking the neighbors of S 16th St. and W Bottsford Ave if they would be willing to sign it. That petition did not ask if a wall should be installed or not, just if the results from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation survey should be followed and that your committee honor those results. Twenty-seven individuals along S 16th and W Bottsford Ave. signed that petition asking for that consideration. To the best of my knowledge only one individual refused to sign that petition. I have enclosed a copy of that petition and will bring the original to the next meeting.

All we ask is to honor the will of the people and do not allow the wall to be built. We all thank you and the committee members for your time and consideration on this matter and look forward to the next meeting.

Sincerely,



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Robert Paul

Petition to the Public Works Committee City of Milwaukee

To the Public Works Committee City of Milwaukee

We the undersigned residents of the 4300 block of South 16th Street and the 1600 to 1800 blocks of West Bottsford Avenue petition the Public Works Committee to honor the finalized results of the survey submitted to you by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the I94 North-South Freeway Project Noise Barrier.

Name	Address	Phone #	Date
Oliver Bellings	1622 W. Bottsford	(414) 282-7397	6-28-09
ANDREW Bellings	1622 W Bottsford Ave	414-315-4719	6/28/09
Maria L. Sosa	1612 W Bottsford Ave.	414-817-6798	6-26-09
Carlene Lepinich	1631 W. BOTTSFORD	281-4289	6-26-09
Beatrice J. Anderson	1638 W. Bottsford Ave		6-27-09
Marilyn Lindner	4349 S 16 th St		6-28-09
Ploura J. Lute	(414) 828-3511 4359 S. 16. St.		6-28-09
Robt. W. Paul	(414) 281-2504 1639 S. Bottsford St		6/28/09
Justin R. Riedinger	281-8915 1711 W Bottsford		6/28/09
JM R	282-6070 1722 W Bottsford		6/28/09
Corita Palumbo	281-8994-1718 W Bottsford		6/28/09
Roger A. Palumbo	281-8994 1718 W BOTTSFORD		6-28-09
Kelly Gibson	1710 W Bottsford Ave.	414 483-5212	6-28-09
Joe Wynn	1616 W. BOTTSFORD AVE.	414-817-9534	6-28-09
Carlos Evans	4372 S. 16 th ST	414) 231-9272	
Maria A. Fone	4372 S 16TH ST.	(414) 231-9272	
John L. Ames	4364 S. 16 th ST.	(414) 282-3207	
Mary Ann Specha	1619 W. Whitaker		

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Joene Stemp, B.J. 1647 W. Bottsford Ave 414-282-6492 6-28-09

Jackie Adam 1711 W. Bottsford Ave 414-281-8915 6/28/09

Judy Escowski 1637 W. Whitaker Ave. 414-281-6694 6/28/09

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James A Hawak 1727 W. BOTTSFORD AVE 281-5463 6/28/09

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