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September 8, 2021

To the Honorable Common Council  
of the City of Milwaukee  
Room 205 – City Hall

RE: C.I. File No. 1050-2021-581

Communication from: National Subrogation Services by its representative  
Qirong Yan on behalf of  
American Family Insurance and Markeena Gilbert  
100 Crossways Park West, Suite 415  
Woodbury, NY 11797

Dear Council Members:

National Subrogation Services alleges that on December 14, 2019 their clients' insured sustained damages to their property located at 2718 West Melvina Street from a fire at a property owned by the City at 2714 West Melvina Street. Claimed damages total \$14,589.92.

The Milwaukee Fire Department (MFD) indicates that they received a call regarding the fire on December 16, 2019 and responded to it that day. They followed standard procedures. The cause of the fire is undetermined. The Department of City Development (DCD) indicates that they acquired the property at 2714 West Melvina Street in tax foreclosure on August 31, 2018. They followed normal procedures. On December 17, 2019 DCD was notified that the property was involved in a fire. They responded to the site that day and took actions.



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There is no evidence that the City was negligent. The City would not be liable.  
Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

c: Andrew Timm (MFD)  
Amy Turim (DCD)

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