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February 6, 2003

Brad Hoernke  
3092 South Wentworth Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53207

RE: C.I. File No: 03-S-56

Dear Mr. Hoernke:

This office is in receipt of your claim in the amount of \$575.00, relating to costs you incurred when you failed to obtain a building permit for the construction of a porch deck and stairs at the property located at 3202 South Delaware Avenue.

Our investigation reveals that the Department of Neighborhood services records indicate that they issued an order to obtain a building permit for construction of a porch deck and stairs at your property on October 8, 2001. They left a message on your answering machine on November 15, 2001 requesting you to call regarding this. On November 19, 2001 they mailed a warning letter to you advising of the department's re-inspection fee policy for failure to comply with the order. A re-inspection fee letter was mailed to you in December 2001 and January 2002. In February 2002 you contacted them. They explained the permit requirement and you said that you would obtain it within two weeks. No permit was obtained and two more re-inspection fee letters were sent. The department spoke with you in March 2002 and you indicated that you tried to obtain a permit but that the plan examiner needed more information. They advised you that the permit was required, you would have to return to the examiner and that re-inspection fees would continue. Re-inspection fee letters were mailed to you in April, May, June and July, 2002. You finally obtained a permit on July 8, 2002. The fees totaled \$2,075.00. The department assessed fees only through February 2002, the time of your initial conversation. At that time the fees totaled \$575.00. The department acted appropriately and as such, the City would not be liable for your loss. Accordingly, we are denying your claim.

Brad Hoernke  
February 5, 2002  
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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a letter within 21 days of the receipt of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, requesting a hearing.

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Very truly yours,



GRANT F. LANGLEY  
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