

October 13, 2006

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Dear Council Members:

Attached please find a permissory resolution that grants the Washington Heights Neighborhood Association permission to place benches at various bus stops within the neighborhood.

Washington Heights Neighborhood Association is a non-profit organization comprised of area residents working to improve their neighborhood. Currently, the neighborhood association is requesting permission to place and maintain benches in the public right-of-way adjacent to thirteen bus stops. The attached resolution details the proposed locations for the benches, which have been field viewed by Department of Public Works staff. The "bus benches" are being artistically treated by area artists prior to installation.

We are not aware that the presence of the aforementioned bus benches will have an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached permissory resolutions, which, if adopted, will allow Washington Heights Neighborhood Association to install and maintain bus benches in the public right-of-way at various bus stops within the neighborhood subject to approval by the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E.
City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes
Commissioner of Public Works

Attachment

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c: Alderman Michael Murphy