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August 28, 2019

Nasif S. Bowie 2545 N. 15th Milwaukee, WI 53206

RE: C.I. File No. 1029-2019-1144 Communication from Nasif S. Bowie

Dear Mr. Bowie:

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We are in receipt of your claim for damages to your 2002 Infinity in the amount of \$189.72 that resulted from striking a pothole within the time period of April 25. 2019 to May 8, 2019.

Wisconsin municipalities have discretionary immunity from liability for any damages that are due to a defect in a sidewalk or street. The City takes any report of defective streets or sidewalks seriously and upon notice of the defect, the Department of Public Works sends a crew to investigate and or patch, repair, or barricade the hazard. Under discretionary immunity, the City is generally not liable for the damages.

The Infrastructure Services Division (ISD) conducted and concluded their investigation into this matter by reviewing their records along with the records of Public Works Call Center relative to this incident. City records indicated that prior to April 25, 2019 to May 8, 2019 the City had no notice of a road hazard for the 7600, 7700, or 7800 block of West Carmen Avenue, or for the 5700 or 5800 block of North 77th Street. Because of this lack of notice, and the City's discretionary immunity, the City is not liable for your damages. As such, we are denying your claim.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

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