

September 25, 2009

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 090263

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is the Common Council Resolution File Number 090263, amending a special privilege to Hurricane Hannah Corporation for addition of a permanent platform for a sidewalk café and an excess door swing for the premises at 2203 North Prospect Avenue.

Hurricane Hannah Corporation requested permission to install and maintain a covered walk in the public right-of-way and permission for said covered walk was granted in 1999 under Common Council Resolution File Number 990378. Subsequently, the applicant constructed a wooden platform for a sidewalk café in the west, 18-foot wide sidewalk area of North Prospect Avenue.

Presently, the applicant is requesting formal permission to keep said platform in the public right-of-way on a permanent, year-round basis. It should be noted that there is a minimum 5-foot wide clear sidewalk width for pedestrian traffic adjacent to the platform. Additionally, it should be noted that the attached resolution does not eliminate any permit requirements for sidewalk dining facilities, including requirements for the "Sidewalk Area Dining Facility" permit and any permits related to the consumption of alcoholic beverages with the sidewalk café. Finally, a site visit revealed the presence of an excess door swing projection into the west sidewalk area of North Prospect Avenue.

We are not aware that the presence of said items has had an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached special privilege resolution, which, if adopted, will change the name of the grantee and will allow said items to continue to occupy the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment
c: Alderman Nik Kovac