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July 21, 2017

Mr. Geoffrey Jens
4055 N. 70th Street
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RE: C.I. File No. 1068-2017-1276
Communication from Geoffrey Jens

Dear Mr. Jens:

We have received your claim for the amount of \$381.41 in relation to the sidewalk replacement work that occurred in 2015.

Our investigation determined that a street paving project in the area of North 70th Street to West Capitol Drive and West Congress Street was approved by the Common Council on November 12, 2014. The Milwaukee Code of Ordinances requires the Department of Public Works to assess for any sidewalk replacement work when it is done with a regular paving project or an area wide sidewalk replacement project. The cost to property owners is about 50% of the cost of the replacement.

The Forestry Department also reports they received a service request in 2012 reporting that the roots were surfacing in the tree lawn area. At that time, the Urban Forestry manager spoke with you about the sidewalk replacement program handled by the Street Maintenance Division.

It is our view that the City completed the sidewalk replacement work in accordance with the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances; therefore your claim is not compensable as it was not caused through negligence by the City of Milwaukee. Accordingly, 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

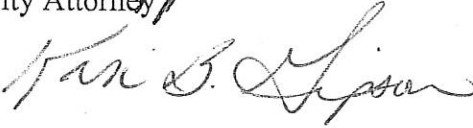


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Very truly yours,


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