

May 17, 2011

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 100995

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 100995, being a resolution to grant a special privilege to Comet Café Inc for a dumpster enclosure, two cigarette butt disposal bins, three moveable planters, and a storm enclosure in the public right-of-way for the premises at 1941-47 North Farwell Avenue.

The applicant is requesting permission to construct and maintain a dumpster enclosure projecting 7 feet 6 inches into the south, 16-foot wide sidewalk area of East Irving Place. Said 17-foot 6-inch long dumpster enclosure, which is constructed out of 6-foot tall chain link fencing, secures and screens from view three, 2-cubic yard dumpsters. A site visit revealed the presence of four 2-foot square recycling carts and a 3-foot long by 2-foot wide vegetable oil recycling container adjacent to the west end of the dumpster enclosure. The 5-foot wide clear path for pedestrian traffic around the dumpster enclosure and recycling containers was confirmed during the site visit to the subject premises. It should be noted that additional recycling carts are stored on private property, however there is not sufficient room on private property to store the recycling containers and dumpsters that are located in the public right-of-way.

In the west, 11-foot wide sidewalk area of North Farwell Avenue, three moveable planters, two cigarette butt disposal bins and a storm enclosure projection were observed. The moveable planters and cigarette butt disposal bins but up to the building and are spaced around the two main entrances. Storm enclosure is located at the south restaurant entrance, approximately 30 feet south of the southline of East Irving Place, and only projects 3 inches into the public way.

We are not aware that the presence of said items will have 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 allow said items to occupy the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment
cc: Alderman Nik Kovac