August 21, 2002

To the Honorable Common Council Of the City of Milwaukee Room 205, City Hall

Re: Communication from Tammy Brown

Tow Number 1121785 Our File No. 01-L-82

Dear Council Members:

We return the enclosed document, which has been filed with the City Clerk, and ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Legislation with the following recommendation.

Claimant, Tammy Brown, 143 South 9th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois 60153 alleges that her vehicle, a 1992 Oldsmobile, was stolen in Chicago, Illinois and destroyed before she was notified that the vehicle had been towed. She believes the value of her vehicle is between \$5600.00 and \$6700.00.

Our investigation reveals that on April 15, 2002, Ms. Brown's vehicle was found abandoned at 2526 North 12th Street in Milwaukee. Section §349.13(4), Stats., gives the City of Milwaukee the authority to tow a vehicle that is disabled. When the vehicle was found, it had no doors, no windows, no seats and no steering wheel. The two front tires were also missing. Because the vehicle was in obvious disrepair it was recycled on May 3, 2002. We recommend that this claim be denied.

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Very truly yours,

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