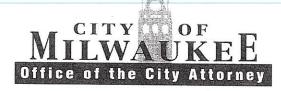
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April 27, 2020

Morris Allen 7061 N. 55th Street Milwaukee, WI 53223-6338

Marked 5/1/2020

RE:

C.I. File No. 1029-2020-363

Communication from Morris Allen

Dear Mr. Allen:

We are in receipt of your claim for damages to your vehicle in the amount of \$512.34 that resulted from striking a pothole in the vicinity of 7234 N. 60th, on January 25, 2020.

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 January 25, 2020, between October 1, 2019 and January 24, 2020 Infrastructure Services received no calls into our call center regarding a road hazard for the 7200 block of North 60th 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



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Very truly yours,

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