January 24, 2002

To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 011359

Dear Honorable Members

Resolution 001076 authorized a maximum budget for construction of seawall improvements and a pedestrian/bicycle trail along City of Milwaukee property adjacent to the Milwaukee Art Museum. This project is funded primarily with a Transportation Enhancement grant with the local match being provided by the City of Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Art Museum. Bids were solicited during the summer of 2001 and the lowest responsible bid significantly exceeded authorized budget levels and, consequently, bids were rejected. Efforts have been made to reduce project costs, however, current cost estimates exceed authorized budget levels.

We have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution amending the budget and authorizing and directing the Commissioner of Public Works to let construction contracts.

This resolution also authorizes and directs the City Comptroller to transfer funds to project subaccounts for estimated design and construction costs.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Mariano A. Schifalacqua Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment

c: Mr. W. M. Morics

bc: Mr. Thomas Miller (w/attachs.)