

April 25, 2008

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 071661

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 071661, which grants a special privilege to Rubin 224 East Chicago, LLC for a concrete platform with ramp and decorative concrete wall and moveable planters in the public right-of-way for the premises at 224 East Chicago Street.

The applicant is in the process of renovating its building and wants to improve accessibility to its building. To this end, the applicant is requesting permission to construct a barrier free access ramp with a decorative concrete wall serving as a handrail. The barrier free access ramp with decorative concrete wall will be located in the north, 15-foot wide sidewalk area of East Chicago Street and will allow for more than the minimum 5-foot clear sidewalk width for pedestrians.

A site visit revealed the presence of three concrete moveable planters in the north 15-foot wide sidewalk area of East Chicago Street. Said planters are 2 feet tall and 4 feet in diameter.

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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Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment
c: Alderman Robert Bauman