

September 4, 2002

To the Public Improvements Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 020481

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 020481, being a petition submitted by Hotel Pharmacy Inc. d/b/a Brady Street Pharmacy, for an amendment to a special privilege granted for use of the public right-of-way to place and maintain in-ground planters, tree box-outs with grates and guards and a structural encroachment adjacent to the property at 1696 North Astor Street.

The existing special privilege, Common Council Resolution File Number 830900, granted permission to install and maintain five 4-foot square tree box-outs with grates and tree guards, seven in-ground planter boxes with footings and a structural encroachment consisting of a protective overhang supported by two sidewalls, on the east sidewalk area of North Astor Street and the south sidewalk area of East Brady Street.

The present request is to keep the aforementioned items and be granted permission for a bench to be placed on the sidewalk in the public right-of-way of North Astor Street. It is intended to sit on top of an existing tree grate surrounding the tree guard. It is to be cast iron pieces that are welded together.

We are not aware that the existing aforementioned items will have or has had an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way nor do we believe the bench will have an adverse impact on the use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached special privilege resolution that, if adopted, would allow the bench and other items to encroach into the public right-of-way.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment