

March 16, 2007

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: West Wisconsin Avenue
North 2nd Street to the Milwaukee River

Dear Council Members:

The Common Council has previously authorized the Commissioner of Public Works to execute an agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) for the programming and construction of pedestrian facilities improvements on East/West Wisconsin Avenue, North Water Street and East/West Kilbourn Avenue, using Federal Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Program Funds.

The enhancement work will include replacing the existing lighting units with the newly designed street lighting units, replacement of existing traffic control signage and traffic control signals on West Wisconsin Avenue from North 2nd Street to the Milwaukee River. The total estimated cost of the project is \$258,356.45. Eighty percent of the participating project costs, or \$206,685.16, is reimbursable from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT). Twenty percent of the participating costs, or \$51,671.29 will be funded by the City.

We have, therefore, prepared the attached resolution which authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works and Comptroller to enter into a funding agreement with WISDOT for the installation of street lighting, traffic control signage, and traffic control signal facilities in conjunction with the streetscaping improvements to West Wisconsin Avenue from North 2nd Street to the Milwaukee River based on a predetermined estimate prepared under the Federal/State aided highway program.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E.
City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes
Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment

c: Alderman Robert Bauman