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May 17, 2007

To the Honorable Common Council Of the City of Milwaukee Room 205 – City Hall

Re: Resolution relating to the Claim of Brion Huntley

C.I. File No. 07-L-28

Dear Council Members:

We return the enclosed document which has been filed with the City Clerk and ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation with the following recommendation.

Claimant, Brion Huntley, 1628 South Pearl Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204 alleges that his sewer lateral failed and that the City is responsible for its repair. Mr. Huntley claims damages in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Our investigation reveals that the Infrastructure Services Division-Underground Operations (UO) investigated a cave-in at the subject address on June 1, 2005. The sewer main appeared to be in good condition. In a letter dated June 10, 2005 from UO to Mr. Huntley, he was advised to repair his sewer lateral. Pursuant to charter ordinance 12.15, Milwaukee code of ordinances, the building sewer and lateral is the property owner's responsibility to maintain. Since the City was not negligent in this matter, we recommend denial of this claim

Very truly yours,

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MGT:beg Enclosure

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