

Department of City Development
City Plan Commission
Redevelopment Authority of the City of Milwaukee

Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation

Lafayette L. Crump Commissioner

Vanessa L. Koster Deputy Commissioner

June 27, 2023

To the Honorable Members of the Public Works Committee City of Milwaukee City Hall, Room 301-B

Dear Committee Members:

File number 230046 refers to the vacation of North Cass Street between East Mason Street north to East Wells Street, in the 4th Aldermanic District.

This substitute resolution vacates the above public right-of-way in accordance with vacation proceedings under power granted to the City of Milwaukee by Section 62.73, Wisconsin Statutes, and Section 308-28, Milwaukee Code of Ordinances. This vacation was requested by Northwestern Mutual to facilitate the renovation and expansion of the new north office building.

The City Plan Commission heard this item at its regular meeting on Monday, June 26, 2023. At the time, DCD staff, DCD Commissioner Crump, and representatives from Northwestern Mutual and its design team presented details and background on the project that necessitated this vacation. A representative from the City of Milwaukee's Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee voiced concern for the lack of continuous street access for cyclists. Others testified in support, including local developers and the CEO of the Downtown BID #21, commenting on the benefits of keeping workers and activity in the downtown area. At its regular meeting on Monday, June 26, 2023, the City Plan Commission recommended approval of the subject file.

Sincerely,

for

Lafayette L. Crump Executive Secretary City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

Cc: Ald. Bauman

