June 4, 2003

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

Re: Communication from Terry Embach C.I. File No. 03-L-69

Dear Council Members:

We return the closed 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, Terry Embach, 4175 North Colgate Circle, Milwaukee, WI 53222 on his own behalf alleges that on March 10, 2003 he suffered a loss when he placed 2 boxes containing personal items next to the back door of his residence while he was in the process of moving and a City garbage crew took them. He claims damages in the amount of \$5,462.50.

Our investigation reveals that sanitation crews are instructed to take items that are placed near the garbage carts. This is why the crew disposed of the property the claimant left

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outside of his home. The sanitation crew followed normal and customary procedures, and as such, the City cannot accept liability. Accordingly, we recommend that this claim be denied

Very truly yours,

GRANT F. LANGLEY City Attorney

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MGT:beg Enclosure 1058-2003-1572:68333