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July 22, 2003

To: The Honorable, The Common Council

Subject: Resolution to apply, accept and fund a digital cadastral mapping grant

**Dear Members:** 

I am asking for your approval of a resolution that will allow the Information and Technology Management Division (ITMD) of the Department of Administration to continue to receive grant funds that will allow ITMD to complete a cadastral mapping project of the City of Milwaukee. The resolution will provide for additional Wisconsin Land Information Board (WLIB) 2002 grant distributions of \$200,368.00 to be used to update, correct electronically, and improve our digital cadastral mapping product. This grant will be added to similar grant applications submitted and approved for WLIB grant distributions in 1999, 2000, and 2001. The cadastral maps which show recording property boundaries, subdivision lines, taxkeys, lot numbers and other related details currently do not meet National Map Accuracy standards. This grant will provide the funding and resources needed to improve our map products and to provide a base map that all City departments will use far into the future.

The grantor has requested that the City expedite completion of this mapping project. To support this request, they have increased the funding amount for the final phase of the project by approximately 100 percent over amounts in each prior year. In response, ITMD proposes to use existing staff to assist in the mapping project. For this reason, the grant request for 2004 includes 50 percent funding for four positions in ITMD. Use of personnel from the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) section of ITMD will allow for completion of the mapping project within the time allotted. Thank you for your support of this request.

Sincerely,

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