August 24, 2015

To the Public Works Committee

Subject: Common Council Resolution File Number 140646

Dear Honorable Members:

Returned herewith is Common Council Resolution File Number 140646, being a resolution to amend a special privilege to Downer Delaware LLC for addition of a barrier free access ramp and cigarette butt disposal bins in the public right-of-way for the premises at 2551-2597 North Downer Avenue.

Previously, the applicant had requested permission to keep and maintain several private items in the public right-of-way adjacent to the subject premises. These items include a balcony structure, two gate swings, a concrete step, several moveable planters, a covered walk and three benches. The current request is to construct a barrier free access ramp with handrails under the aforementioned balcony structure. It should be noted that there is a 5-foot wide clear sidewalk width between the balcony supports and the access ramp. A site visit revealed the presence of two cigarette disposal bins in the public way and the removal of the benches and moveable planters from the public way.

We are not aware that the presence of said items will have an adverse effect on the general use of the public right-of-way. We have, therefore, prepared the attached special privilege resolution, which, if adopted, will allow said items to occupy the public right-of-way.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Ghassan Korban Commissioner of Public Works

Art Dahlberg Commissioner Department of Neighborhood Services

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Attachment

c: Alderman Nik Kovac