September 29, 2008

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: West County Line Structure over the Little Menomonee River

Dear Council Members:

The West County Line Structure over the Little Menomonee River was constructed in 1917 and is in need of replacement as a result of advanced structural deterioration. The structure replacement is included in the Department of Public Works Capital Bridge Program.

The City's of Milwaukee and Mequon share jurisdictional ownership of the structure and will share the preliminary engineering and construction costs at a 50/50 share. The City of Milwaukee will be the lead agency of the project design and construction.

We have prepared a project agreement titled "Cost Sharing Agreement Between the City of Milwaukee and the City of Mequon" for the cost sharing of the preliminary engineering and construction for the replacement of the West County Line Road structure over the Little Menomonee River. The City of Mequon Common Council adopted Resolution 2815 authorizing signing of the proposed Cost Sharing Agreement with the City of Milwaukee and funding their share of the preliminary engineering. This project is programmed for construction starting in 2010 and funding for the construction phase of the project will be included in a future resolution.

We have prepared the attached resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the project agreement with the City of Mequon for cost sharing of the preliminary engineering and construction of the replacement of the West County Line Structure over the Little Menomonee River. This resolution also directs the City Comptroller to transfer funds and establish the necessary sub accounts for the preliminary engineering work for this project.

Very truly yours,

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Jeffrey J. Mantes Commissioner of Public Works

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