

February 2, 2010

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Subject: South Howell Avenue Bridge over Union Pacific Railroad

Dear Council Members:

Common Council Resolution File Number 060882, adopted on November 14, 2006, authorized the Commissioner of Public Works to execute a project agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) for rehabilitation of the South Howell Avenue Bridge over Union Pacific Railroad. The project agreement provided funding participation of 80 percent Federal and/or State aid with 20 percent City participation, under the Local Bridge Replacement program.

Since the time of executing the original project agreement, preliminary engineering work has been completed and construction estimates have been further refined and increased. Consequently, we have requested, and the WISDOT has authorized, additional funds for construction associated with the bridge rehabilitation. The amounts are reflected in the attached revised project agreement.

We have prepared and recommend adoption of the attached resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to execute the revised project agreement. The construction funds for this project will be requested in a separate resolution.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey S. Polenske, P.E. City Engineer

Jeffrey J. Mantes Commissioner of Public Works

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Attachment c: Alderman Tony Zielinski bc: Ms. Lois Gresl Ms. Cynthia Wisneski Ms. Lila Gorney