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June 16, 2021

Ms. Sunday Troupe 3745 North 58th Blvd. Milwaukee, WI 53216 Mailed 6-23-2021

RE:

Communications from Sunday Troupe

C.I. File No. 1068-2021-565

Dear Ms. Troupe:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$1,545.58 from a loss on May 1, 2021.

The Forestry Section records indicate that on May 1, 2021 around 3:00 p.m. a service request was entered for a broken branch on a house. An after-hours emergency crew responded and found one third of the Norway Maple street tree at 3745 North 58th Boulevard had fallen across the tree border into the street. There was no vehicle, and the crew did not speak with anyone at the scene. Due to the extent of damage to the tree, it will be completely removed late this summer.

After their crew responded the Section contacted you, and you stated that you moved the vehicle in anticipation of the crew needing room to work. You also provided pictures of the tree branch on or near the vehicle. These pictures showed that the tree was healthy with no visible decay evident.

The Section notes that Milwaukee experienced a rain event with trace amounts of water and peak wind speeds of 49 miles per hour on May 1, 2021. They also reviewed their records for the last 6 years at this location for tree-related issues and found, prior to this request, no other requests for service. The trees in this area were on a 10 year pruning schedule and were last pruned in May 2019.

There is no evidence that the City was negligent. Therefore, we are denying your claim.



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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

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