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TO: Public Infrastructure Committee

FROM: Greg Minikel, PE, Engineering Division Manager

DATE: May 30, 2025

RE: Proposed Reconstruction of Michigan Ave. from N. 13th to N. 18th St.

Members of the Public Infrastructure Committee:

Michigan Ave. from N. 13th to N. 18th St. is planned to be included in the 2026 Capital Improvement Plan as this is one of the streets that was included in the Council's Approved 6-Year plan last fall.

We have design issues and questions that we would like to bring to light now, so that we do not have the same issues we had last winter with the Fleetwood Drive Island discussions. Just trying to get a head of the issues this time.

The existing street width between N. 13th and the Alley (about 160 feet west of N. 13th St.) is 36 feet between the curbs. The existing street width from this Alley to N. 18th St. is 34 feet between the curbs. The Right-of-Way (ROW) width is only 66 feet.

This street is functionally classified by the Wisconsin DOT as a Minor Arterial Street.

Ideally, since this is a minor arterial, it would be nice to have the entire street be 36 feet wide, however, there are numerous trees, poles and telephone pedestals that would make this difficult. In addition, the existing terrace is fairly narrow already.

There are about 10 trees plus or minus that will have to be removed if we reconstruct the street to the same existing width. If we remove trees, we will certainly plan to replace them with new trees and have our Forester develop a tree replacement plan.

We believe that the only way to save these 10 trees would be to narrow up the street and eliminate the parking on one or both sides. We do not think that the property owners will be in favor of eliminating the parking. We also do not feel that narrowing this street is a good option due to its functional classification as a minor arterial.

How does the Committee want to address this moving forward?? Do we invite the property owners to an upcoming meeting later this summer to get their input on these issues and concerns??