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Michael May

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Subject:

FW: Zoo Interchange - West Allis Property Impacts

Hi Paul,

Can we have this included on the Council Agenda as a communication from me to the Zoo Interchange team? I don't think we'll get a formal response by the end of next week, but if we do we can include that too.

Thanks! ~Mike

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Good Afternoon, Mr. Gutierrez,

I hope you are well, and thank you for chatting with me over the phone last week regarding the Zoo Interchange. I am writing to petition WisDOT and ATC to co-host a public information meeting (PIM) to discuss property impacts to West Allis homeowners due to the Zoo Interchange.

A PIM was hosted in the basement of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at 6:30pm on Tuesday, January 29th. The meeting notice indicated that the PIM was being hosted to discuss noise barriers along the future IH 894/USH 45 corridor from Greenfield Avenue to the Zoo Interchange. Thank you for hosting this meeting, as it was very well attended and informative. Unfortunately, the meeting notice did not indicate that property impacts would be discussed, though the formal presentation at the meeting did include such discussion.

A number of homeowners at the January 29th meeting indicated to me their desire to have WisDOT and ATC host a separate, properly noticed PIM to discuss the project's impacts to properties along 98th Street. I have received calls from other homeowners not in attendance at the January 29th meeting 1) indicating that they would have attended that meeting if they knew property impacts would be discussed and 2) requesting a separate PIM. Note that a frustration of homeowners is that, until just recently, they had been informed by the Zoo Interchange team that their would be no impacts to their properties. They have not had an opportunity to express their concerns and work with WisDOT and ATC in a public forum like other property owners in the area have had. Some have alternative ideas that may be mutually beneficial.

To help our West Allis homeowners understand the property impacts of the interchange, and to help locally elected officials understand the impacts to our community, I respectfully request WisDOT and ATC co-host a PIM. The PIM should be hosted for, at minimum, the owners of properties located along the west side of 98th Street, and any that may be impacted along 100th Street, from Greenfield Avenue to the north City Limit due to the Zoo Interchange plan. The meeting should be hosted in a timely manner so-as to afford homeowners the opportunity to voice their opinions and for WisDOT and ATC to consider possible design modifications that may further minimize property and other impacts.

Thank you for your time and your consideration, and for your willingness to work with us during the planning, design and construction of this very complex project.

Sincerely,

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