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Mayor Dan Devine
Common Council Members
City of West Allis
7525 W. Greenfield Ave
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Dear Mayor Devine and Council Members,

This letter is to request the City to temporarily restrict parking along the north side of Greenfield Avenue from 84th Street to 92nd Street. The proposed restriction would occur from 3:00-6:00pm on Mondays through Fridays from October 1, 2014 until October 31, 2017. This request is in conjunction with proposed improvements along Greenfield Avenue from 84th Street to 92nd Street as part of the Zoo Interchange project's local street traffic management plan.

Greenfield Avenue is an important parallel state route and alternate to I-94 and the Zoo Interchange. The Zoo project team is proactively managing safety and operations on Greenfield Avenue during reconstruction of the interchange and freeway. From March 2015 until October 2017, we anticipate added traffic volumes along Greenfield Avenue due to the closing of the I-94 Westbound to I-894 Southbound Ramp in the Zoo Interchange.

To maintain safe and efficient traffic flow along Greenfield Avenue, the Zoo team proposes improving the traffic signals at 84th Street and 92nd Street, upgrading the School Crossing at 87th Street and adding pavement marking to create an additional temporary westbound through lane from 84th Street to 92nd Street. This upgrade will require the removal of parking along westbound Greenfield Avenue from 84th Street to 92nd Street and this work is anticipated to start in September 2014. Since there is an existing lane of westbound traffic, we are only requesting the parking restriction during the afternoon rush when we anticipate westbound traffic to be at its peak.

In addition, once the Zoo Interchange and freeway construction is complete, the Department will resurface Greenfield Avenue from 84th Street to 92nd Street. This will include a mill and overlay of the entire pavement, including the parking lanes, new pavement markings and a proposed bicycle lane. This work will be funded as part of the Zoo Interchange Project.

We fully understand that this temporary parking removal is an impact to local residents and we appreciate your cooperation with this issue. Thank you for your ongoing partnership with the Zoo Interchange Reconstruction Project.

Sincerely,

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