



# Memorandum

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TO: Gary Barczak, Chair, Board of Public Works  
Michael Czaplewski, First District  
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Daniel Roadt, Fourth District  
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FROM: Michael Lewis, City Engineer

DATE: January 29, 2009

RE: **Communication from City Engineer Regarding Parking Restrictions along 60<sup>th</sup> Street from north city limits to Mineral Street**

There is no parking anytime along the west side of 60<sup>th</sup> Street from the north city limits to Mineral Street. South of Mineral Street, it's only no parking during afternoon rush hour. We can't think of a reason for the no parking anytime other than because Sam's Club was once in the area, but there is no traffic engineering reason for it now

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is insisting that parking be restricted only during "rush hour" or from 3-6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This, they believe, would accommodate bikes for most of the day. We may be able to fight this, but it would definitely delay the project into 2011.

Along with this demand, they are insisting on painting parking "T's" from the north city limits to Mineral Street. They believe that the "T's" encourage drivers to park closer to the curb and therefore, allow more room for the bikes. This portion of 60<sup>th</sup> Street is important for bikes because it connects the City's proposed Mineral Street bike route with the proposed extension of Hank Aaron's bike trail along the vacated railroad right-of-way. The attached picture shows what it would look like like:



We are asking that you approve this proposal.

Cc: Mayor Dan Devine  
Alderman Vince Vitale, 1<sup>st</sup> District  
Paul Ziehler, CAO

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the name of the City Engineer, Michael G. Lewis.