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City of West Allis Matter Summary

7525 W. Greenfield Ave.
West Allis, WI 53214

File Number	Title	Status
2009-0726	Communication	Introduced
Communication from City Engineer regarding the Zoo Interchange Project and Potential Impact on 76th Street.		
Introduced: 11/3/2009		Controlling Body: Public Works Committee

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION Place on File

ACTION DATE:	MOVER	SECONDER		AYE	NO	PRESENT	EXCUSED
<u>11/3/2009</u>			Barczak	✓			
			Czaplewski	✓			
			Kopplin				
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			Narlock				
			Reinke				
		✓	Roadt		✓		
			Sengstock		✓		
			Vitale				
			Weigel		✓		
		TOTAL		5			

SIGNATURE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

[Signature] _____
 Chair Vice-Chair Member

COMMON COUNCIL ACTION **PLACE ON FILE**

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Memorandum



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TO: Gary Barczak, Chair, Board of Public Works
Michael Czaplewski, First District
Martin Weigel, Second District
Daniel Roadt, Fourth District
James Sengstock, Fifth District

FROM: Michael Lewis, City Engineer

DATE: October 30, 2009

RE: Communication from City Engineer regarding the Zoo Interchange Project and Potential Impact on 76th Street

WisDOT is in the planning process for the reconstruction of the Zoo Interchange. One option they have is closing the 84th Street off ramp and building a "Texas U-Turn" to 84th Street with an opening onto 76th Street. Even though we have repeatedly asked for traffic projections, we have not received any traffic numbers for 76th Street using this option. We feel the traffic impacts will be great because many drivers will not use the "Texas U-Turn" to get back to 84th Street, but use 76th Street instead.

One reason WisDOT is considering this option is it avoids buying an office building just west of 84th Street on the north side of I-94 to the tune of \$25 million.

We have applied for WisDOT funding for the resurfacing of 76th Street. Even though WisDOT has claimed they have not made a final decision, we don't really believe them. One reason is that they recently told us to consider a 4 lane 76th Street and I think they will push it because they have basically decided what they want to do.

My question to the Board is should we fight this starting now. We feel that the traffic should stay on 84th Street, which is a State Trunk Highway.

Cc: Common Council
Mayor Dan Devine
Paul Ziehler, CAO

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Attachment