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# City of West Allis Matter Summary

7525 W. Greenfield Ave.  
West Allis, WI 53214

File Number	Title	Status
R-2009-0173	Resolution	Introduced
	Resolution of support for Avalon Rail to be considered by Talgo, Inc. for new rail assembly and maintenance facilities.	
	Introduced: 8/4/2009	Controlling Body: Safety & Development Committee
		Sponsor(s): Safety & Development Committee

### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION ADOPT

ACTION DATE:	MOVER	SECONDER		AYE	NO	PRESENT	EXCUSED
<u>8/4/09</u>			Barczak				
			Czaplewski				
			Kopplin	✓			
			Lajsic	✓			
			Narlock				✓
		✓	Reinke	✓			
			Roadt				
			Sengstock				
	✓		Vitale	✓			
			Weigel				
			TOTAL	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>1</u>

### SIGNATURE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

Chair

Vice-Chair

Member

### COMMON COUNCIL ACTION ADOPT

ACTION DATE:	MOVER	SECONDER		AYE	NO	PRESENT	EXCUSED
<u>AUG 04 2009</u>			Barczak				✓
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## Resolution

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**Final Action:**

**Sponsor(s):** Safety & Development Committee

**AUG 04 2009**

Resolution of support for Avalon Rail to be considered by Talgo, Inc. for new rail assembly and maintenance facilities.

WHEREAS, Avalon Rail has established a successful 60,000 sq. ft. West Allis facility located at 6600 West Washington Street for the construction, design, and maintenance for commuter and passenger trains; and,

WHEREAS, Talgo, Inc., a manufacture of high speed passenger trains, announced that the company is searing for a assembly and maintenance facility in Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, Avalon Rail's dedicated professional team and skilled workforce would be an asset to Talgo, Inc. expansion plan; and,

WHEREAS, the facility operated by Avalon Rail has direct rail service to the facility and necessary for modern manufacturing capacities; and,

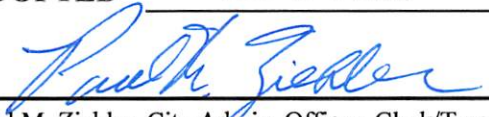
WHEREAS, Avalon Rail is located in a City with a strong tradition of heavy manufacturing providing the necessary infrastructure, relationships with technical schools and engineering campuses, and skilled workforce.

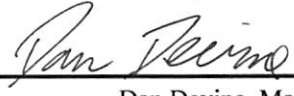
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS supports Avalon Rail's effort to be considered by Talgo, Inc. for a new rail assembly and maintenance facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS directs staff to provide the necessary technical support to facilitate the attraction of Talgo, Inc. to the City of West Allis.

DEV-R-560-8-4-09

cc: Department of Development

**ADOPTED**           AUG 04 2009            
  
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Paul M. Ziehler, City Admin. Officer, Clerk/Treas.

**APPROVED**           8/4/09            
  
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Dan Devine, Mayor



# WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

P. O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

July 24, 2009

Mr. Antonio Perez, President & CEO  
Talgo, Inc.  
505 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 630  
Seattle, WA 98104

Dear Mr. Perez,

We were thrilled to learn that Talgo will establish new assembly and maintenance facilities in Wisconsin. Wisconsin has a strong history in manufacturing, and ample opportunity for regional transportation growth. As you consider where to locate your facilities, we urge you to consider Avalon Rail in West Allis, Wisconsin.

Avalon Rail is a passenger rail facility that specializes in the construction, design and maintenance of commuter trains. Its 60,000-square-foot indoor, climate controlled facility has the capabilities necessary to build the trains, as well as complete their interiors. Avalon Rail's staff has decades of passenger rail experience working with Class I railroads such as Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern, and it has established a strong relationship with Amtrak and its system of inspectors. It has a solid reputation of completing projects on time and on budget.

Avalon Rail is ideally located near the downtown Milwaukee Hiawatha line and has direct rail service established at its facility. There would be no need to invest in track infrastructure, as the plant both receives and ships out its finished product on existing rail lines.

Avalon Rail is located in West Allis, a city with a strong tradition of heavy manufacturing industries. Numerous industries have located in West Allis over the past 100 years because of the city's access to rail lines, as well as its skilled workforce that is the result of the numerous technical schools and engineering campuses located in the greater Milwaukee Metro Area.

Again, we are delighted that Talgo will be expanding into Wisconsin, and we encourage you to strongly consider partnering with Avalon Rail. If you have any questions regarding Avalon Rail, or the City of West Allis, we would be more than willing to assist you in any way possible.

Sincerely,

Senator Jim Sullivan  
5<sup>th</sup> Senate District

Representative Tony Staskunas  
15<sup>th</sup> Assembly District

Mayor Dan Devine  
City of West Allis