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City of West Allis Matter Summary

7525 W. Greenfield Ave.
West Allis, WI 53214

File Number	Title	Status
2009-0426	Communication	Introduced
Communication from City Engineer Regarding 60th Street Reconstruction Project-Traffic Signals at Mineral and Lapham Streets.		
Introduced: 6/16/2009		Controlling Body: Public Works Committee

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION Approve

ACTION DATE:	MOVER	SECONDER		AYE	NO	PRESENT	EXCUSED
<u>6-16-09</u>			Barczak				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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			Vitale				
			Weigel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
			TOTAL	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>

SIGNATURE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

[Signature] _____
 Chair Vice-Chair Member

COMMON COUNCIL ACTION approval

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			TOTAL	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>1</u>



Memorandum



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FROM: Michael Lewis, City Engineer

DATE: June 11, 2009

RE: **Communication from City Engineer Regarding 60th Street
Reconstruction Project-Traffic Signals at Mineral and Lapham
Streets**

I believe this is the last remaining design decision for this project. The traffic study showed that the traffic signals at Mineral and Lapham Streets do not meet any signal warrants. Therefore, they are not needed now or within the next twenty years (see attached portions of the traffic study).

Installing unnecessary signals causes a number of problems besides additional costs. It restricts and delays traffic flow for cyclists and drivers alike, increases air pollution and increases accidents like rear-end collisions. It also encourages people to run yellow and red lights.

Accidents decreased after the traffic signals were removed on 72nd and 74th Street along National Avenue.

West Allis' share of reinstalling the signals is about \$26,000. Since this is a 80%-20% WisDOT-West Allis project, the total cost is around \$120,000 for both signals. Considering current and future costs, there is no traffic engineering reason for these signals and we are recommending that they be removed.