



File Number

R-2006-0140

**City of West Allis Matter Summary** 

Status

In Committee

7525 W. Greenfield Ave. West Allis, WI 53214

Resolution

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I hereby certify that this resolution is in force upon the failure of the Mayor to approve or disapprove within five (5) days after submission pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Section 62.09(8)(c).

Paul M. Ziehler

City Administrative Officer

Clerk/Treasurer

Dated: May 26, 2006



## **City of West Allis**

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**Final Action:** 

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Sponsor(s):

Michael J. Czaplewski

Resolution stating the City of West Allis' position of opposition to Milwaukee County being responsible for the local funding and operation of the proposed Milwaukee Connector.

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Connector Study is being directed by the Wisconsin Center District, in cooperation with the City of Milwaukee, County of Milwaukee, and the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Milwaukee Connector is a guided street tram system using rubber tired vehicles that are guided by an overhead electric track; and,

WHEREAS, the thirteen (13) mile system consists of three (3) routes, none of which serve the City of West Allis; and,

WHEREAS, this proposed Milwaukee Connector is estimated to cost at least \$300 million; and,

WHEREAS, \$57 million of the \$300 million cost would be required to be raised locally, with the larger amount being funded by federal dollars; and,

WHEREAS, the \$57 million of local funding will result in some form of higher local taxes; and,

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County is likely to be responsible for the local funding and the operation of the proposed Milwaukee Connector.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West Allis that the City does hereby state its opposition to Milwaukee County being responsible for the local funding and the operation of the proposed Milwaukee Connector.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Administrative Officer, Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to provide copies of this resolution to all parties involved.

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APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

Jeannette Bell, Mayor

Paul M. Ziehler, City Admin. Officer, Clerk/Treas.

## APPROVED:

Notwithstanding the decision of Mayor Bell not to sign.

Approved May 26, 2006 without signature of Mayor pursuant to 52.09(8)(c), Wis. Stats.

## Dear Alderpersons,

I have chosen not to sign Resolution R-2006-0140 regarding Milwaukee County funding for the Milwaukee connecter.

While I understand that this is a special case because of the large costs, I am opposed to interfering in other community's requests for funding for projects from the County. In the past, and hopefully in the future, West Allis has sought County funding for economic development projects. I would not like the precedent set that in those cases Milwaukee would feel free to object to our projects and block them at the county level. I understand that the resolution will still be positively acted upon without my signature, but I felt my principle about not interfering in other community's matters prevented me from adding my name to the resolution.