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RE: Request for Fiscal Impact Analysis of Wisconsin State Fair Park

Mayor Devine & Honorable Fellow Council Members,

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I respectfully request a fiscal impact analysis be prepared for Wisconsin State Fair Park to better understand the unmitigated costs our City of West Allis taxpayers pay for services provided to the State of Wisconsin.

While an avid fan of Wisconsin State Fair and many events hosted at the Park, I am also aware that the State of Wisconsin may reimburse only a portion of the expense the City of West Allis pays for the police, fire, engineering, public works, and other costs associated with public safety, crowd control, parking management, etc. Contrary to popular belief, the State does not pay property tax to the City, nor does the City collect sales tax. As a result, the unreimbursed costs of the State's activities fall unfairly on City of West Allis property taxpayers. The goal of a fiscal impact analysis is to understand those unreimbursed costs funded by our taxpayers for the benefit of the State, and to work with the State in exploring ways to mitigate their burden.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Michael P. May
Alderman, West Allis District 3