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## **MEMORANDUM**

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FROM:

Peter C. Daniels, P.E., Interim City Engineer

DATE:

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RE:

Communication from Interim City Engineer regarding the Resurfacing of

Wisconsin State Highway 100 in 2021

The State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation has announced in the attached letter that instead of reconstructing WIS 100, they will instead be **resurfacing WIS 100** in the year **2021**. While the proposed resurfacing project in 2021 will still be very inconvenient for motorists and residents and businesses along WIS 100, it is a relief from the potential damage that could have occurred if WisDOT had reconstructed the roadway.

The original WisDOT long range Vision Study produced in 2012 recommended widening WIS 100 to provide additional traffic lanes throughout West Allis that would have necessitated the razing of 20 to 45 buildings and would have further impacted 205 to 245 other properties. The loss in taxable real estate would have been measured in the millions of dollars and the loss in tax revenue to the City would have been measured in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The City of West Allis Engineering Department is still evaluating whether we need to make improvements to our own water mains, sanitary sewers and street lighting along WIS 100 before the resurfacing work begins in 2021.