

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
**INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

**DATE:** June 12, 2012

**TO:** Marina Dimitrijevic, Milwaukee County Board Chairwoman

**FROM:** Frank Busalacchi, Director, Department of Transportation

**SUBJECT:** Agreements for Purchase from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) to acquire the needed property interests from Milwaukee County owned properties as part of the Zoo Freeway Interchange Reconstruction Project.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

WisDOT has been legislatively authorized to reconstruct the Zoo Freeway Interchange by the State of Wisconsin and by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under various state and federal statutes and codes. Milwaukee County Board approval will be required to convey County owned property to WisDOT that is needed for the reconstruction project. Chapter 32.05 of the Wisconsin Statutes defines the eminent domain process for acquiring land for transportation use.

**BACKGROUND:**

The County's Director of Transportation received two Agreements for Purchase (Agreements) from WisDOT to acquire the needed property interests from two County-owned properties. The WisDOT offers within the Agreements for the required property interests are as follows:

A Permanent Limited Easement of 0.143 acres located near the northwest corner of North Mayfair Road and West Watertown Plank Road in the City of Wauwatosa. This easement is needed for drainage purposes.


A Temporary Limited Easement of 0.007 acres located at 10457 Innovation Drive, in the City of Wauwatosa. This easement is for sloping and will expire upon completion of the reconstruction project.

A copy of the WisDOT Agreements and exhibits depicting the properties and needed property interests are attached.

The final offer from WisDOT for the acquisition of the Permanent Limited Easement is \$8,500 and the Temporary Limited Easement is \$1,500. The values were derived from appraisals and direct negotiations with WisDOT.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests that the Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee recommend to the County Board of Supervisors acceptance of the above-described Agreements from the WisDOT in the amounts of \$8,500 and \$1,500.

  
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Frank Busalacchi, Director,  
Department of Transportation

Meeting Date: July 11, 2012  
Attachments

cc: Chris Abele, County Executive  
Supervisor Jim Luigi Schmitt, District 6  
Kimberly Walker, Corporation Counsel  
Patrick Farley, Director, Department of Administrative Services (DAS)  
Brian Taffora, Director of Economic Development (DAS)  
Sue Black, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC)  
James Keegan, Chief of Planning and Development (DPRC)  
Greg High, Director, AE & ES (DAS)  
James Martin, Fiscal Management Analyst