

Mr. Chairman and Supervisors,

I am introducing this resolution to cancel the interest and penalties on the delinquent property taxes for 7030 West National Avenue in West Allis.

The City of West Allis has found a developer who is looking to redevelop this site, which has sat vacant for years. Dr. Max Meinerz of Ascendent Health intends to acquire the property and develop a two-story brick medical complex including a dental office and other medical office tenants. The City of West Allis estimates that the project's total value should be about \$2.6-2.7 million. This medical complex will also bring well-paying, family-supporting jobs to the area which may otherwise go to Waukesha County.

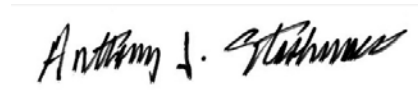
This building was a former automobile repair facility. Milwaukee County has declined to foreclose on this property because of its former use and known environmental contamination. The City of West Allis has, to date, incurred costs of \$45,000 for environmental investigation, \$170,000 in environmental remediation and demolition and will be providing a loan to the new property owner for development of the lot, as well as \$173,000 in special charges due to demolition and delinquent utility costs. This medical complex will take what was once an eyesore in the neighborhood and turn it into a brand new, tax generating property.

In 2016, the County Board adopted a very similar resolution, approving the waiver of a portion of the delinquent property taxes for this same property to be developed by Expert Car Care, Inc., however, that development was never completed.

Under this resolution, all outstanding principle due on these back taxes, in the amount of \$157,161.74, will still be paid in full. This resolution would only forgive the interest and penalties on these property taxes.

I believe that this will greatly benefit Milwaukee County by bringing jobs to the county, restoring the appearance and activity along a main thoroughfare in West Allis, and putting a former brownfield site back on the tax rolls.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Anthony J. Staskunas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Anthony Staskunas

Milwaukee County Supervisor

District 17