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June 27, 2005

Transportation and Public Works Committee
Minneapolis City Council
City Hall Room 307
350 South Fifth Street
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Dear Members of the Transportation and Public Works Committee,

The Marcy-Holmes Neighborhood Association is pleased to send its support for the pedestrian level lighting project on 15th Ave SE, from 5th St. SE to Como Ave. SE. In cooperation with SECIA, the U of MN, Minneapolis Park & Recreation Department and students from the U of Mn, we have obtained the 65% property owner support to enable the project to go forward. We have also approved using \$5,000 of our NRP funds for the increased lighting. Because the conduit lines were put into place last summer, we are confident that the project can be completed in this year's construction season.

As you may know, many university students and staff, as well as neighborhood residents including children, rely on 15th Ave SE as a convenient thoroughfare connecting to campus, Dinkytown and beyond - on foot and on bicycles. The improved lighting will increase visibility on this busy street and make it safer for all.

We urge you to approve the 15th Ave Lighting project and we look forward to its completion before school starts in the fall.

Sincerely,

Brian Biele MCB

Brian Biele
President, MHNA

cc: CM Paul Zerby
CM Natalie Johnson Lee
Beverly Warmke



June 23, 2005

Council Member Zerby
City of Minneapolis
350 South 5th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Dear Council Member Zerby;

This letter is to confirm the commitment made by Commissioner Dziejic that he will obtain approval to include \$20,000 in the 2006 budget to pay for the lighting at Van Cleve Park. Our understanding is that payment will not be required until 2006.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

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Sincerely,

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September 20, 2004

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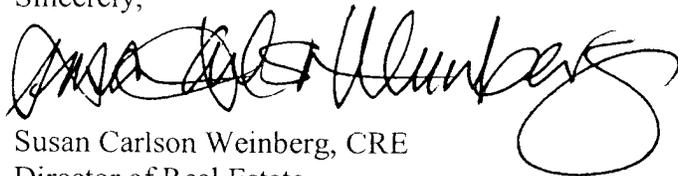
Re: Ornamental Lighting Along 15th Avenue SE, 5th Street SE to Como Avenue
(Your September 13, 2004 Letter)

Dear Ms. Warmka:

Pursuant to our telephone discussion on Friday, September 17, 2004, this will confirm that the University will make a voluntary payment in lieu of special assessment in the amount of \$75,000 for the subject project if the City of Minneapolis proceeds with the installation of ornamental lighting along both sides of 15th Avenue SE between 5th Street SE and Como Avenue. As we discussed, \$75,000 represents approximately 1/3 of the estimated project cost; the University owns approximately 1/3 of the total lineal feet along this section of 15th Avenue SE that would be improved with the ornamental lighting.

Please feel free to call me at 612/625-4539 if you have any questions regarding the above or if I can provide any additional assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,



Susan Carlson Weinberg, CRE
Director of Real Estate

cc: Jan Morlock