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**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 8, 2003**

PRESENT: Alds. Becker, Ecks, Heins, Herzog, Kopischke, Krol, Sullivan, Treis -8

ALSO

PRESENT: N. Welch, Community Dev. Dir.

Ald. Heins in the Chair called the meeting to order at 8:23 p.m.

**Land Combination – 7111 W. Center Street**

Ms. Welch reported that the Wauwatosa Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) acquired four parcels of land in the 7100 block of W. Center Street and would now like to combine them to accommodate development of a retail center on the site.

Ald. Sullivan said that this property, which is around the corner from his home, has been a blighted property for quite some time. WEDC did a wonderful job there, and he would very much like to see the lots combined for the purpose of future development.

Moved by Ald. Sullivan, seconded by Ald. Kopischke to recommend to Council approval of the land combination as requested. Ayes: 8

**CDBG Funds Allocated to Wil-O-Way Underwood Recreation Center**

Ms. Welch reported on a request for reconsideration of the CDBG funds allocated to Wil-O-Way Underwood Recreation Center that were held by the Common Council pending resolution of county grounds issues. The Block Grant Committee had recommended allocating \$75,000, but the Common Council voted to hold that allocation along with funds for Jacobus Park and for rehabilitation of the Eschweiler buildings on the county grounds. The Jacobus Park funds have since been released.

Bridget Bannon, Community Recreation Coordinator for the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities, and Jan Kirchoff of Goodwill Industries were present. In her letter of March 4, 2003, Ms. Bannon outlined some of the programs and services Wil-O-Way offers to elders and people with disabilities. She indicated that the funds would be used for capital improvements to the facility, most specifically air conditioning to accommodate health and comfort needs.

Ald. Kopischke felt that the Council has now made its point and there is no reason to keep innocent agencies waiting for their funds. He requested that the matter of releasing the Eschweiler funding be placed on the next committee agenda.

Moved by Ald. Kopischke, seconded by Ald. Ecks to release the CDBG funds allocated to Wil-O-Way Underwood Recreation Center --

Ald. Ecks said that Ms. Bannon's request was viewed very favorably when she appeared before the Block Grant Committee. The organization will be a fine steward of the funds.

Ald. Sullivan apologized for withholding the funds, noting that the action was not meant as any kind of slight to Wil-O-Way for which he has the greatest respect. The Chair reiterated those comments.

Vote on the motion, Ayes: 8

**Proposed Ordinance – Maintenance of Water Mains for Fire Prevention**

The committee reviewed the proposed ordinance amending Section 14.20 of the Code pertaining to maintenance of water mains for fire prevention.

Moved by Ald. Treis, seconded by Ald. Krol to recommend to Council adoption of the ordinance. Ayes: 8

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk  
Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

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