

## **MEMORANDUM**

**Date**: 9/22/24

To: Municipal Services Committee

From: Pete Neuberger, Deputy Director of Public Works

Mark Lahay, Assistant City Engineer

Subject: Approve Utility Easement Release of Rights for Richmond St/I-41

The Department of Public Works is requesting approval of the Utility Easement Release of Rights for Richmond St/I-41. Once approved, City Staff intend to sign and return to WisDOT the DT2245 Sewer, and DT2245 Water documents, as requested by WisDOT to keep the I-41 project on its current schedule.

This is in connection with the Richmond Street / I-41 interchange project which is scheduled for 2026 construction.

WisDOT guidance states: "Pursuant to Wisconsin Guide to Utility Coordination 11.4 and 11.5, when a utility company has an interest in the land being acquired for a highway, it will be necessary to acquire that land interest to provide clear title and ownership of the highway. This will be accomplished by the release of rights document(s). The interests conveyed will be only the areas defined by the Transportation Project Plat and legal descriptions provided."