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TO:

Utilities Committee

FROM:

Paula Vandehey, Director of Public Works

DATE:

December 3, 2015

SUBJECT:

Request from Mark Fogarty to relocate the existing fire hydrant at 2825 E.

Incline Way at property owner expense.

As stated in Mark Fogarty's letter and shown on the attached drawing, Mr. Fogarty is requesting that the City of Appleton relocate an existing fire hydrant due to the joining of two lots and its location to the entrance of the planned home. The existing location is based on our attempt to have even spacing of approximately 400 feet between fire hydrants to provide consistency for optimal fire response.

The City of Appleton receives many requests each year to relocate fire hydrants and sign posts because property owners do not wish to maintain around them and/or do not like the aesthetics of the hydrant/post. Our current procedure is to deny these types of requests and allow property owners to appeal through the committee process.

If this request is approved by the Utilities Committee and Common Council, we request that it be contingent upon the following conditions:

- 1. Fire Department agrees to new location and irregular spacing (Fire Department has confirmed they are ok with the proposed new hydrant location)
- 2. Neighboring property owner is notified of new location and agrees to it
- 3. Requesting property owner pays 100% of relocation costs (estimated at \$2,500 \$3,000)

Mark & Christina Fogarty 512 E. Tallgrass Drive Appleton, WI 54913

1 December 2015

Ms. Paula Vandehey Director of Public Works City of Appleton 100 North Appleton St. Appleton, WI 54911

Re: Request to move fire hydrant from in front of 2825 E. Incline Way

Dear Ms. Vandehey,

I would like to submit a request to move a fire hydrant located at 2825 E. Incline Way for consideration by the Utilities Committee at its meeting on December 8th. The hydrant is located at what was formerly the lot line between Lots 83 and 84 in Apple Hill Farms II subdivision. Earlier this year, those lots were combined into one lot under Certified Survey Map 7046 ("Lot 1"). I propose moving the hydrant to either the west or east adjacent lot line, depending upon the determination of the City.

We are currently in the process of finalizing plans for a single family home on Lot 1. Due to the steep terrain of the Lot, and conservation easements situated thereon, the only reasonable building site on the property straddles the previous lot line between former Lots 83 and 84. This results in the current utility structures, including the fire hydrant and electrical, cable and telephone service boxes, being located directly in front of the entrance to the planned home. (I am submitting similar requests to move the other utility structures to the relevant owners.)

In making this request, I undertake to reimburse the City for the costs associated with moving the hydrant and will obtain and submit written permission from the adjacent landowner to place the utility on the lot line selected by the City (or absent permission, will grant an easement to place the hydrant on my property immediately inside of the lot line).

Please let me know if you would like any other information to support my request.

Sincerely,

Mark P. Fogarty

c: John Houlihan

