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To: Common Council

From: Mayor Reilly

Re: Re-Establishing an Ad-Hoc Parking Committee

I would like to re-establish the Parking Committee that was active from 2004 to 2007 to meet and discuss options for parking in the downtown area. In the City's recently completed survey on downtown, business owners listed parking as the top obstacle facing downtown businesses. In the broader city-wide portion of the survey, residents agreed by listing parking as the top disadvantage to shopping in downtown Waukesha.

Not having adequate parking downtown is a common complaint and was a main focus of the previous Parking Committee. This parking committee would be tasked with proposing options to alleviate the parking concerns to the Buildings and Grounds Committee. The committee will represent a variety of interests including downtown business owners, members of the Common Council and City staff to propose solutions that will truly meet the needs of those who either own a business or visit the downtown area.

I would like to appoint the following individuals to the Committee:

- Ald. Eric Helgestad
- Ald. Eric Payne
- Ald. Cassie Rodriguez
- Katie Jelacic, City Project Engineer
- Fred Ripley, City Parking Supervisor
- Jennifer Andrews, City Community Development Director
- Joette Barta, Nice Ash Cigar Bar
- Tom Hockel, Spring City Wine House
- Laazar Konda, Meli Bar and Restaurant
- Meg Lesnick, Hydro-Thermal
- *Possible addition of one City parking agent*

I look forward to working with this committee and coming up with solutions for the future of parking downtown.

Thank you.