

Purchasing Department

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Honorable Mayor Gary Becker and the
Members of the Common Council
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

On November 13, 2006, the Finance and Personnel Committee directed the Purchasing Agent to "investigate appraisal service cost, to include Mr. Wayne E. Stark and any others, for the two Civil War cannons located at Mound Cemetery and West Racine and to report back to the Finance & Personnel Committee". (File 06-2773)

A somewhat lengthy investigation has determined that Mr. Stark is deceased. The American Society of Appraisers lists exactly one accredited person in the field of Antique Firearms, Armor & Militaria:

Paul Golubovs, ASA
Accredited Senior Appraiser

AA&A Appraisal Service
9974 Scripps Ranch Blvd. #33
San Diego, CA 92131-1020

I contacted Mr. Golubovs who advised me that the appraisal could be accomplished via mail for about \$1,500.00. He would require detailed photographs, measurements, and a copy of the BATF registration along with any notes pertaining to the method of the possible deactivation of the weapons, and information pertaining to any known repairs or restoration.

Respectfully Submitted,


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