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City of Racine Common Council Mayor John Dickert City Hall 730 Washington Avenue Racine, Wisconsin 53403 AUG 2 4 2010 CITY LIVEER

REF: Request to remove sidewalk

**Greetings to the Mayor and Common Council:** 

Batten International Airport currently owns the lot at 2822 Diane Avenue in the City of Racine. The house on this lot has been selected to be removed within the next 60 days. The sidewalk in front of this house is in bad condition and the Airport has received notices to repair or replace the sidewalk. The Airport originally planned to replace the sidewalk after removing the house as the heavy equipment used to remove the house may damage the sidewalk further.

The Airport received a phone call from Mr. Dale Seianas who resides at 2828 Diane Avenue; Phone 262-939-7714. Mr Seianas knew that the Airport was going to remove the home next door to him and he asked that the Airport request to remove the sidewalk at 2822 and 2828 as he was the last house and really did not want the sidewalk in front of his residence. He also has received notice to repair or replace the sidewalk. Additionally, the airport will probably purchase this home in the future anyway. A letter to the council from Mr. Seianas is attached to this request.

In 2008, the airport had eight full time employees and twenty-two part time employees. Due to the economy and cut backs in hours, we now have four full time and three part time employees. During snow storms, the airport uses every available employee to keep the airport open and safe for arriving and departing aircraft. This makes it extremely difficult to find the time and personnel to go clear these sidewalks in a timely manner. The airport would appreciate your consideration on this matter.

If the Airport is allowed to remove the sidewalks, they will be removed with the home at 2822 Diane Avenue. If the City decides that the sidewalks should be replaced, the Airport requests a thirty (30) day extension on the notice to repair or replace. The reason for the request is that



the equipment removing the house will probably damage the sidewalk further and the Airport would like to wait until the house is completely removed and the lot graded before replacing the sidewalk.

Best Regards,

**David Mann** 

Vice President and General Manager

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AUGUST 17, 2010

RACINE CITY COUNCIL 730 WASHINGTON AVE. RACINE, WI. 53403

DEAR CITY COUNCIL:

MY NAME IS DALE SEIANAS AND I RESIDE AT 2828 DIANE AVE., RACINE, WI. 53404

I'M WRITING YOU REQUESTING PERMISSION TO REMOVE THE ENTIRE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF MY HOME, RATHER THAN REPLACE THE SECTIONS THAT HAVE RECENTLY BEEN MARKED BY THE CITY FOR REPLACEMENT.

MY HOME IS THE NORTHERN MOST HOME WEST SIDE OF DIANE AVENUE AND THERE IS NO CONTINUAL SIDEWALK GOING TO THE NORTH OF MY ADDRESS.

PLEASE ADVISE AS TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE NEEDED FROM ME TO SATISFY MY REQUEST.

SINCERELY,

DALE SEIANAS

2828 DIANE AVE.

RACINE, WI. 53404

PHONE: 262-939-7714

