

June 8, 2017

Honorable Mayor and **Common Council**

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council,

I would like to request a change to the fire department 2017 CIP regarding the Port Security Grant Match.

For 2017, the fire department has budgeted \$12,000 in the capital improvement plan for the 2017 Port Security Grant match. Originally this grant match was to provide the fire department with an underwater Sector Scan Sonar at an estimated cost of \$74,000 through the 2016 City of Milwaukee Port Security Grant program. After extensive research and demonstrations by the company that provides the hardware necessary for the underwater Sector Scan Sonar the fire department has determined this underwater Sector Scan Sonar will not meet the needs of the fire department. Further, we are working closely and successfully with the Milwaukee Fire Department dive team to utilize their underwater Sector Scan Sonar when appropriate.

The fire department is requesting to reallocate the \$12,000 from the Port Security Grant Match to Interspiro Dive Equipment repairs and upgrades. This will allow us to perform required maintenance on existing dive team equipment and cover the cost of required parts and equipment associated with the fire department dive team.

\$12,000 is currently allocated in the 2017 CIP and no additional funds are required.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief