

**REPORT OF:** City Traffic Engineer

**Presented** July 20, 2010

For Approving Plans and Specifications and  
Assessing Improvement Cost for The Installation  
of Street Lights in

**Referred**

**Todd Drive Streetlighting Assessment District**

**Reported Back**

**Adopt**

**Rules Suspended**

**Re-Referred**

Filed in the Office of the City Traffic Engineer  
**June 1, 2010**

**Placed on File**

Filed in the City Clerks Office:

**I.D. NUMBER**

**Date Council Action Required:** July 20, 2010

**TO THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL:**

The Common Council having ordained that the full cost, including inspection and supervision, of the initial installation of street lights shall be assessed to the abutting properties and that assessment for street lights shall be in accordance with Section 66.0701 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Section 10.39 of the Madison General Ordinances, has directed that when the City Traffic Engineer proposes the installation of street lights assessed to the abutting properties, he shall prepare a report listing the street lights to be installed, their location and schedule of assessments.

Now, therefore, in compliance with said instruction, the City Traffic Engineer reports as follows:

1. That street lights are proposed to be installed and assessed to abutting properties listed on Exhibits A and B attached hereto, said listing including the locations of street lights to be installed, and a schedule of assessments.
2. That pursuant to such listing, the entire cost of the work improvement will be **\$ 15,000.**
3. After having carefully viewed and examined the entire territory and the said several parcels of land or real estate affected by said improvement, and having first viewed, examined and considered severally and separately each parcel of real estate in said territory, the City Traffic Engineer has found and determined and do hereby so find and determine that the City of Madison should pay the sum of **\$ -0-** as the cost properly chargeable to the City and covered by said improvement.

NOTE: Special assessment notices and hearings have been waived.  
(See attached signed waivers)

DATED: June 1, 2010

**David C. Dryer, P.E.**  
City Traffic Engineer

## REGARDING THE CRITERIA OF REASONABLENESS AND BENEFIT

This report was prepared and submitted to satisfy the requirements that the City is required to show that the assessments will benefit the properties assessed in the **Todd Drive Streetlighting Assessment District** as per a recent Wisconsin State Supreme Court Decision (*Berkvam vs. The City of Glendale, 79 Wis, 2d 279.255 NW 251 (1979)*).

### **Criteria of Reasonableness**

It is the opinion of this office that the assessments are, in fact, reasonable. The assessments have been calculated in accordance with the Madison General Ordinances Section 4.09 for assessing costs for street improvements. The cost of the improvements have been assessed to the various parcels based on lot size and zoning.

### **The Properties Against which the Assessments are proposed are Benefited as follows:**

This improvement consists of the installation of street lights, which will promote and enhance the general welfare and safety of people and property in this neighborhood.