Madison Water Utility



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City of Madison Plan Commission 215 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Room LL-110 Madison, WI 53701

Re: Conditional Use and Demolition Permit 2829 Prairie Road

The City of Madison Water Utility hereby applies for a conditional use and demolition permit to remove our existing 100,000 gallon water tower and replace it with a new 400,000 gallon water tower at our property at 2829 Prairie Road in the City of Madison.

The existing water tower was damaged by fire in May 2010 and has never been returned to service. Due to the excessive cost to repair the tower and due to the need for improved fire protection in this part of the City, as identified in the most recent Madison Water Utility Master Plan Study, the Utility made the decision to demolish the existing tower and replace with a larger tower.

In addition to the demolition permit for the existing tower, we are applying for a conditional use permit because the property is zoned R-1 and water pumping stations and water reservoirs are listed as a conditional use in this district.

The legal description of the property is Lot 1078 Hill View Addition to Meadowood.

The existing tower will be completely demolished including the foundation and the new tower will be constructed in the exact same location as the old tower. This is necessary to take advantage of the existing piping arrangement on the site and also due to the difficult topography at the site.

Various cell company facilities on the site were forced onto temporary poles after the fire, and these temporary poles will be removed and facilities remounted on the new tower upon completion.

It is the intent of the Water Utility to award a City of Madison Public Works Contract so demolition can begin in the Summer of 2011, erection of the new tower can then start in the Fall of 2011 with completion in the Spring of 2012.

Alder Steve King has been informed of the schedule for this project and on February 17, 2011 a meeting was held with the neighborhood to advise them of the status of the project. No objections have been received for this project and in fact the neighbors are anxious for the project top move forward so the temporary cell company poles on the site can be removed.

The Madison Water Utility has retained the consulting firm of Baxter & Woodman, Inc. to prepare plans and technical specifications for this project. Contact for Baxter Woodman is Gerald D. Groth P.E. (608) 277-1230. At this time a contractor has not been selected.

Thank you for consideration of this application.

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