

Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Common Council Meeting

Meeting Date: March 4, 2025

Item Title: Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the City of Columbus and the

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Regarding Changes in Access to STH 73 in the City of Columbus between Avalon Road and Tower Drive.

Submitted By: Michael Kornmann, Director of Community and Economic Development

Detailed Description of Subject Matter: The Department of Transportation has expressed concern regarding the spacing of O'Brien Court between Faith Drive and Avalon Road. The crash rate currently for this section of highway is about one-third of the state average. And given the low traffic volumes on Faith Drive, City staff is not concerned about traffic or safety issues. The DOT is requesting the MOA in the rare case that the crash rate meets or exceeds the state-wide average. In the case of an elevated crash rate, then DOT would require a study to determine potential solutions. Outside of Cardinal Heights, there will be no more development in the "access corridor" between Faith and Avalon, so the likely need for a study is very low.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

Memorandum of Agreement

Action Requested of Council: Approve MOA between the City of Columbus and the Wisconsin DOT regarding changes in access to STH 73 between Avalon Road and Tower Drive.