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Skyway Meeting

06/26/17

The saint paul skyways are all public, an the easements go through all of the buildings connected to the skyway. when you're in the skyway take note of how great and beautiful the system is. a person can travel all the way from the excel energy center to the saint paul depot, and many locations in between. its a feature that no other city has. by allowing closing hours to different at different ends of the skyway it is detrimental to the convenience of the system and the people that use it.

some questions that have to be answered about the skyways

- 1. why shouldn't the skyway be open 24 hours a day. the skyway is a indoor sidewalk. How many sidewalks get closed at an arbitrary time??**
- 2. The owner of the buildings say there is rampant crime, is that true?**
- 3. Between what hours are these claimed crimes most prevalent ?**
- 4. Is the worst time between 12:00 and 2:00 AM?**
- 5. What police documentation is there of these crimes at all. When did they occur?**
- 6. What does the ADA, Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota building code, and the Saint Paul city ordinance say?**

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Messers: Mayor Larry Cohen
Police Chief Rowan

Re: Skyway Security

Gentlemen:

I would like to extend my thanks to both of you as not only the president of the Downtown Council but as a private citizen for your very quick response to our security problems within the skyway.

The businesses in downtown recognize that it is not so easy to pull a man off his other duties to accomodate a situation regardless of how important it is.

I can say that since Patrolman Jim Mann has been on duty that our problem has definitely lessened. Patrolman Mann's presence, the way he carries himself, and the respect he has been able to develop speaks most highly of Jim. We believe that Jim has provided an outstanding image for our police department and in turn a representative of our city. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you Mr. Mayor, Police Chief Rowan, and Patrolman Mann.

Very truly yours,


Gene Rancone

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cc: Arlene McKinney
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