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Dear City Planning Commissioners,

I am reaching out to share 15 comments from Milwaukee residents who oppose the Midtown proposal (agenda items 6&7). They just learned about the project this weekend and were not able to attend the hearing today, but their voice deserves to be heard on a project of this scale which will directly impact them.

I will also bring printed copies to the hearing today. Please reach out with any questions.

Thank you,

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1.

Name: Sherry Watson

Address: 3137 N 51st Blvd Milwaukee, WI 53216

Email: swatson3137@att.net

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I'm opposed to a Data Center in Midtown re-development project which includes a data center, storage facility, and other community resources? My opposition includes but not limited to the following concerns: Decrease in Pollution & Air Quality to Our Community; Increase in Water & Electric Usage by the Data Center; Increase in Electrical expenses to Residents, Lack of Transparency & Decrease of overall Quality of Life for ALL RESIDENT'S.

2.

Name: Sherry Scott

Address: 2973 N 55th St

Email: sscott1008@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

More info, time & transparency is needed. I also oppose changes to the DIZ conditions!

3.

Name: Rose Scott

Address: 2971 N 55th St

Email: drms89scott@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

Pls pass a moratorium on these type of data/computer centers. Also I oppose the changea to the DIZ

4.

Name: Brian Todd

Address: 1920 N 58th St

Email: brirtodd@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I am writing to oppose the Midtown data center. Something of this nature first of all should have been brought to us way before now. From my understanding the safety and other regulations that the city needs to have in place have not been done. The city has the responsibility to us to demonstrate that this proposal will not bring harm to our residents and the environment. A moratorium is the minimum I expect from the elected officials who are elected to serve us not a non transparent corporate agreement. Unfortunately I don't think in the end that the city will be able to demonstrate the benefit to the city and therefore should oppose the project. I understand to get to that point may involve a process and the hurried nature of approving this project appears deceptive. Especially placing this in the inner city of Milwaukee the city needs to prove the benefit.

Sincerely ,

Brian_Todd brirtodd@gmail.com

5.

Name: Grace Sherer

Address: 1714 N Prospect Ave

Email: mgsherer@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I am very concerned about the development of this project without adequate public hearing and with so little transparency. There is not enough data presented regarding water usage, waste water treatment, energy needs and usage, how much taxpayers will be on the hook, the fact that this company will not pay property taxes, little consideration to environmental impact - flood plain problems, pollution of air, water, land, noise.

6.

Name: Rev. Dr. Timothy R Perkins

Address: 3245 N. 52nd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53216

Email: perkdrews@aol.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I'm writing — at this time — in opposition to the proposed data center at the Midtown Center with concerns about the lack of transparency related to the company behind the project and the purpose of the data center. I am in favor of a moratorium on data centers in the city of Milwaukee, until safe guards are in place and a study has been done related to the environmental impact. With that in mind, I have concerns about energy use, water use, air, water, and noise pollution. My hope at the very least is that there will be pause on this proposed project until answers related to the questions that I've posed can be answered.

7.

Name: Grace Moone

Address: 3325 N 58th Street Milwaukee 53216

Email: Gmoone@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

Two of the proposed uses for the MidTown Center (storage & data center) do not meet the requirements of the DIZ. Do not allow an exception for these uses! There are more than enough allowable uses. There should a moratorium on data center development until legislation can be written .

8.

Name: Geri Aurora

Address: W160S7131 Daisy Dr, Muskego WI 53150

Email: gmaurora07@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

Data centers need to be regulated! We cannot exchange our health for a billion dollar companies profit. We need to support transparency. We need to support green spaces that benefit our environment. We need green spaces that help reduce air pollution. We do not need companies that pollute our air, water, night sky and our recreational spaces. It is unethical of these companies to force NDA and target at risk communities.

9.

Name: Kiante Shields

Address: 2439 N 46th St

Email: itsallincommunity0913@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I am strongly against this data center. It does not benefit the community. It is a data center. It will impact our energy cost, water consumption, pollution...amongst other negative impacts.

10.

Name: LaDette Austin

Address: 3624 North 49th Street

Email: laustin529@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I am opposed to the Data Center being constructed at the Midtown location. There are too many issues with a center being in the middle of the City with no concern for the residents in the surrounding areas. The City has a habit of placing items on the agenda at the last minute so the residents cannot respond or be in attendance.

11.

Name: Brenda Ward

Address: 1336 W Garfield Avenue

Email: bjward6@icloud.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I am opposed to MidTown Data Center because it adds to the pathological issues that the inner city of Milwaukee already faces and data Centers does nothing to decrease these issues. In fact they add to the further demise of persons lively hood who live near and far of Midtown Center. I am oppose also because of Tax exemption afforded data center by the state of Wisconsin, PFA's are known to kill and destroy so why do you want to kill and destroy, none disclosure agreement (NDA) is an overt way to indicate persons who are supporting, navigating and proposing and building this data center know the harmful effects of data centers and will not be held accountable to the people and I am seriously opposed because of lack of regulation of data centers. So, for these reasons, I am opposed to Data Center in or near Midtown.

12.

Name: Deborah Pasha

Address: 3015 N. 61st St., Milwaukee, WI 5320

Email: deborahpasha@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

The northwest and central city of Milwaukee are still recovering from the historic industrial and chemical degradation and loss of jobs in this corridor, which have caused worse health and social outcomes as compared with adjacent areas and in some cases, worse than third world countries. Our community has on an ongoing basis asked for healthier environments and the return of jobs to sustain the residents, neither of which would be provided by the proposed use of this property for a data center and storage facility. It may even introduce more of the same harm and pollution to this already struggling population, and be a burden to the greater community. This proposal is not transparent and in fact contains

inconsistencies that warrant investigation. We need to begin by completely researching and understanding the environmental impacts of such a proposal, and ensuring that accountability for utility use and environmental pollution is completely assumed by the corporation. We should expect any property owner or business operating in the City, actually further contributes positively to benefit and protect the community. I ask that the City approve a moratorium barring approval of data centers and storage units while the true facts and impacts of this and similar proposals can be thoroughly discovered and vetted with the community. I am opposed to the siting of this scale of data center and storage facility in this mostly residential area, and opposed to rezoning the area to accommodate heavier industrial operations than have been previously permitted.

13.

Name: Alex Sell

Address: 5612 Berry Court, Greendale, WI, 53129

Email: Alextpham18@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

My name is Alex Sell, a local healthcare worker in Greendale, WI. I'm here today to oppose the Midtown data center proposal.

This project is concerning to me because of the threat to the local environment, including land, water, animals, air, and people. Data centers pose threats to our natural environment and the communities that live in them. I want to pause all considerations and actions for a data center here.

Please fulfill your obligation to protect the public by denying the Midtown data center proposal. Thank you.

14.

Name: Barbara Gruenwald

Address: 3363 N 45th Street Milwaukee, WI 53216

Email: bcgruenwald@gmail.com

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

I have 2 major issues with the proposed Midtown Data Center.

The first is that the City of Milwaukee has not established an Ordinance which outlines the requirements and restrictions to operate a Data Center our City. It is my understanding that this will not even be discussed until July 20.

An Ordinance must be in place before the Midtown Center is allowed to proceed.

Second, Data Centers must be required to provide their own renewable energy. WE Energies continually raises the rates for consumers. The residence of Milwaukee can not be burdened with higher rates to ease those of a data center. The building at Midtown has a large flat roof with no trees blocking the sun. It is an excellent location for Solar panels.

Milwaukee must stand up for it's communities, not lie down to the whims of corporations.

15.

Name: Kay Weisman

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Email: k_weisman@sbcglobal.net

Stance: Oppose

Comment:

Dear City Planning Commission Members,

I am writing to strongly urge you to place a moratorium on the development of ANY data centers, most particularly the one in Midtown Center, until a well thought out policy has been adopted.

My main objection is that at least two of the uses for the former Walmart site are large areas of “lights-out” operations – data center – or non-productive uses – self storage. Considering that MidTown is or was a busy shopping area, these don’t appear to add anything attractive to the remaining stores, or to generate more traffic to the area.

I’m also concerned about water and electricity usage of a data center and its effects on what is basically a dense residential area. It doesn’t seem wise to add any more large water customers until we get Deep Tunnel fixed and/or enlarged. In fact, improving MMSD water holding and treatment would be the best thing you could do if you want to Grow MKE.

We have too many unanswered questions to be plunging headlong into this controversial development. Let’s get some regulations set up first. If this is such a “small” data center, are they planning to put solar panels on their roof and supply their own power? How much tax revenue is the City setting forth in a written contract? Who will repair the roads after construction?

I’m not concerned about “losing out” – we’ll still be attractive later, primarily because of our fresh water supply. But there are no do-overs if we mess up our water. So please, a moratorium. Let’s be careful.

Sincerely yours,

Kay Weisman

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