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To Whom It May Concern,

The proposal of a data center in the Sherman Park neighborhood near Center and 60th is reprehensible, irresponsible, and just plain tone deaf. It is not what this city needs to thrive, and will negatively impact not only Sherman Park but the entire city and community at large.

Sherman Park has historically been an underserved neighborhood. We are already one of the most segregated cities in the United States, which frankly looks like an apartheid to those who don't live here and the proposal of the data center is going to further that divide and that perception as it drives energy prices up for Sherman Park, could potentially cause rolling blackouts, and create an enormous disturbance in lights and noise for the neighborhood and surrounding areas. WE Energies has already increased energy prices by well over 8% in the past few years and is proposing another hike of 14%. We cannot further contribute to this. It is unsustainable and unethical.

We do not need data centers. We need a robust educational system, improvement of city infrastructure, better public transportation, and lawmakers who have the people's best interest at heart. A data center is the opposite of that.

Shame on Milwaukee City officials and shame on Wisconsin lawmakers for even entertaining this.

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