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Dear City Plan Commission,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposal to build a data center at the site of the old Midtown Center.

As a concerned member of the community, I urge the Commission to consider the long-term negative impacts such a facility would have on the surrounding neighborhoods. My primary concerns include:

- **Environmental and Health Risks:** Data centers require massive amounts of energy and water for cooling, which places an undue burden on our local power grid and resources. Additionally, the resulting air pollution and carbon footprint are contrary to our city's environmental goals.
- **Noise and Quality of Life:** The constant humming of industrial cooling fans creates significant noise pollution that would be disruptive to the working-class families and residents living nearby.
- **Lack of Community Benefit:** Unlike a shopping district or community space, data centers provide very few local jobs once construction is finished, while permanently altering the landscape of the neighborhood for the worse.

While I understand the agenda item for the May 18th meeting has been pulled, I want my opposition to be a matter of public record. I ask that the City Plan Commission prioritize the health and well-being of Milwaukee residents over "big tech" expansion and reject any future proposals for a data center at this location.

Thank you for your time and for your service to our city.

Sincerely,

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