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From: Owczarski, Jim
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For the file.

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Subject: Opposition to the Juvenile Facility Slated for 7930 W. Clinton Ave

Dear Common Council Members,

I would like to submit my objection to the proposed site of the Juvenile Detention Center that has been proposed for 7930 W. Clinton Avenue.

As a resident of the 9th Aldermanic (a district without representation on the Council at this time), it is alarming that residents have not been notified of this project in advance and have only learned of this through the publication of articles in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel and Urban Milwaukee.

It is alarming that residents and business owners have not been engaged in the planning process. What will this facility look like? What are the security measures? What will the traffic measures and precautions be? How will the state address capacity issues? Stating that the facility will be a 32 bed facility with 70 employees is quite vague!

It is alarming that all of you who do not reside in this district are rushing to vote on a matter just because the State and the governor thinks it's a "good location." The 9th District has been working hard to attract new businesses (Taco John's at the old Yen Ching, new investors for the Pick N' Save building). All while still battling the 20-year blight that has taken over the Northridge area. A juvenile detention facility for the worst offenders may impact the momentum we are building in this district and drive new business away.

I implore the Council to slow down and engage the residents and business owners on this issue before this matter is voted upon.

A new building will not erase the problems that have gone on for years at Lincoln Hills.

Sincerely,

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