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Alderman Scott Spiker
City of Milwaukee, District 13
200 E. Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Alderman Spiker,

Please see the below in response to your questions in preparation for the Public Safety and Health Committee Meeting:

1. What role is MCSO able to play, by way of supporting MPD in its efforts to deal with street takeovers/side shows?

The MCSO has and will continue to support MPD through mutual aid requests to deal with street takeovers. Over the summer, both agencies have assisted one another in providing resources to deal with these incidents as some of these incidents have begun in county parks and down at the lakefront. MCSO will continue to assist with intelligence gathering and enforcement operations in conjunction with MPD efforts.

2. More specifically, what resources does MCSO have available to assist with the booking of arrestees on scene at these events? (I believe you have one(?) mobile booking unit.)

If requested by MPD, MCSO can assist by providing our mobile booking unit if the environment is safe to do so. Additionally, MCSO has resources available to aid in intelligence gathering that could assist with the identification of the vehicles engaged in unsafe vehicle operation.

3. What resources does MCSO have available to assist with the towing of vehicles participating in these events (e.g., tow trucks)?

MCSO contracts with several towing companies. MCSO will only tow vehicles in compliance with state law and county ordinances.

Sincerely,

Brian M. Barkow, Chief Deputy