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MLK BID #8 EXPANSION OBJECTION & PETITION NOTIFICATION

July 27, 2020

Dear Neighbors:

We have all recently received letters notifying us of the proposed expansion of the nearby Martin Luther King Jr. BID (Business Improvement District) No. 8 into our area. This is not a certainty and is still in need of our approval, but I am not in support of this expansion into our cozy corner of this community.

As the circulated letter states, our taxes will go up at the very minimum \$1,500.00 per commercial parcel depending on the assessment of the parcel. I cannot speak for others, but my taxes are high enough and raising them only leads to further the expansion of the gentrification that has taken place on the southern end of MLK with areas like Brewers Hill and now Halyard Park, causing long-standing residents and businesses to be displaced. I also feel as if our businesses in this area are thriving and successful because of our own sweat and ingenuity. We don't need to be forced to pay into the BID as that money can be self-placed immediately into our businesses, benefitting our cozy corner of this community directly and earnestly.

Please join me in opposing the expansion of the MLK BID No. 8. You may participate virtually in the Public Hearing for this expansion on Monday, August 17, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. using the webinar information below and/or sign the included objection petition letter and return to 5 Points Art Gallery & Studios in the provided pre-stamped envelope to be presented on your behalf during the hearing. If you don't have a computer, you may also call the Plan Administration staff at (414) 286-5726 or send text messages to (414) 708-0626 for submit objections, comments, and additional questions. Don't let technology limitations prevent you from protecting your assets, community and future. Please let us know how we can help you be present.

To Access Webinar Link: go to <https://city.milwaukee.gov/CPC> and register to receive a GoToWebinar link

We don't need the BID and are thriving without it. Our neighbors don't need to suffer from increased taxes because we willingly allow ours to go up via the acceptance of this expansion.

Sincerely,

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Incl: Petition Letter and Pre-Stamped Envelope

MLK BID #8 EXPANSION PETITION

I stand in solidarity with my neighbors to petition against the expansion of the Martin Luther King Jr. Business Improvement District No. 8 in our neighborhood.

Signed: _____

Printed Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Milwaukee, WI 53212

Date: _____

Please use the pre-stamped envelope to return this petition letter to:

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