

PETITION FOR DIRECT LEGISLATION

I, the undersigned, a qualified elector of the City of Milwaukee request that the proposed ordinance below, without alteration, either be adopted by the common council or referred to a vote of the electors pursuant to the provisions of §.9.20, Wis. Stats.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Prior to the start of any physical construction of any municipally financed (in whole or in part) rail transit system requiring a capital expenditure of \$20 million or more in municipal funds or funds guaranteed by or supported by an express or implicit promise of the City, whether or not such promise is legally enforceable, the Common Council shall submit to the electorate a binding referendum for approval of the construction of the system. Failure of the referendum shall preclude the City from proceeding with or otherwise permitting construction of such system or any part thereof using any City funds or revenues. The wording of the referendum shall provide the specific purpose, location, and the total estimated construction costs of the system, including an estimate of the costs to be funded directly or indirectly by the City. Nothing in this section shall be construed to preclude the City from exercising its role in the engineering, planning or design of an urban rail transit system.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS WHEN DIFFERENT THAN MUNICIPALITY IS NOT SUFFICIENT. THE NAME OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE MUST ALWAYS BE LISTED.				
SIGNATURE	PRINTED NAME	STREET AND NUMBER	MUNICIPALITY	DATE
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Certification of Circulator

I, _____, certify: I reside at _____
(Print name of circulator) (Circulator's residence - Include number, street, and municipality)

I further certify I am either a qualified elector of Wisconsin, or a U.S. citizen, age 18 or older who, if I were a resident of this state, would not be disqualified from voting under Wis. Stat. § 6.03. I personally circulated this petition for direct legislation and personally obtained each of the signatures on this petition. I know that the signers are electors of the municipality listed above. I know that each person signed the paper with full knowledge of its content on the date indicated opposite his or her name. I know their respective residences given. I intend to support this petition. I am aware that falsifying this certification is punishable under §.12.13(3)(a), Wis. Stats.

(Date)

(Signature of circulator)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREPARING PETITION FOR DIRECT LEGISLATION

Use the following instructions as a guide to completing and returning petitions forms.

All information on the petition concerning the signing electors and the circulator must be completed in full, as described below, before they can be submitted for filing. This form may be reproduced in any way prior to obtaining signatures on them. The Government Accountability Board has determined that no disclaimer or other attribution statement is required on this form.

Eligible Signers: Signers of this petition **MUST** be eligible to vote in the City of Milwaukee. It is not required that you are registered to vote, only that you would be eligible to vote if registered (i.e. persons at least 18 years of age, living in the City of Milwaukee, who have not had their voting privileges suspended). Note that you must live within the City of Milwaukee city limits, not simply within Milwaukee County. Residents in suburban cities and villages are not eligible to sign this petition. However, any eligible U.S. voter may circulate this petition (i.e. collect the signatures of eligible voters).

Signatures: A signature does not need to be legible as long as it is the legal signature of the signer. For example, even an "X" is valid if it is considered the legal signature of the signer.

Printed Names: Although signatures need not be legible, each signer must legibly print their name.

Address: Each signer must legibly list their address, including any street name or number, rural route, box or fire number along with their municipality of residence (i.e. Milwaukee). The circulator may add any missing or illegible address information before the papers are filed with the filing officer. The address listed for each signer must clearly identify where the signer's voting residence is located. A post office box number alone does not show where the signer actually resides.

Signature of Circulator: A circulator is the person who presents the petition for signers to sign (anyone can circulate a petition, even persons not residing in the City of Milwaukee). If you qualify as an eligible signer (i.e. an eligible voter residing in the City of Milwaukee), you may sign a petition as both a signer and as a circulator (i.e. you may sign the petition then list yourself as the circulator). All circulators should carefully read the language of the Certification of Circulator at the bottom of the petition. The circulator must personally present the petition to each signer and witness the signature. **PETITIONS MAY NOT BE LEFT UNATTENDED ON COUNTERS OR POSTED ON BULLETIN BOARDS.** The circulator's complete address (including municipality of residence) must be listed in the certification section. After obtaining signatures of electors, the circulator must sign and date the certification. The date listed by the circulator must be on or later than the latest date of any petition signer.

Other Instructions

The goal is to collect a minimum of 35,000 signatures (30,800 required plus a "margin of error" for disallowed signatures). The date for filing petitions is subject to change. The latest proposed filing date can be found on the CRG Network website (www.crgnetwork.com). Petitions for Direct Legislation must be in the physical custody of CRG Network no later than the day prior to the filing date so they can be prepared for filing the next day. Petitions must bear the original signatures of the signers. **Copies received by fax, e-mail, or other means CANNOT be submitted.** Blank petitions can be downloaded from the CRG Network website or picked up at locations listed on the CRG Network website. Completed petitions can be dropped off at locations listed on the CRG Network website or mailed to:

CRG Network
PO Box 371086
Milwaukee, WI 53237

If you have questions you can call the CRG hotline at 414-801-0800, e-mail CRG Network at crg@crgnetwork.com, or refer to the online instructions found at www.crgnetwork.com.