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City Could Have New Hope for Downtown UWM College of Engineering and Applied Sciences

Philanthropist Cudahy's Change of Heart Could Open up Possible Downtown Locations

Philanthropist Michael Cudahy's decision to withdraw his pledge to help fund the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's plans for a new College of Engineering and Applied Sciences in Wauwatosa could help the City of Milwaukee's efforts to convince the university to consider possible downtown locations, **Alderman Robert J. Bauman** said today.

News of Cudahy's reversal was the subject of media reports today, and Alderman Bauman said he's optimistic it could mean that possible downtown locations for the college could be brought forward for discussion. "It will be very difficult for UWM to replace the funding that Mr. Cudahy would be able to provide, and I sense that that could help us get a serious look at downtown locations that are nine miles closer to the UWM campus than the one in Wauwatosa," he said.

Earlier this year the County Board approved selling 89 acres to a UWM Foundation affiliate, with a selling price of more than \$13 million.