Public Comment Deadline on USPS Stations is Today and Wednesday

Public comments and advisory petitions opposing the closings or consolidations of inner city Milwaukee U.S. Postal Service (USPS) stations must be submitted by today (Tuesday, December 6) for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Teutonia stations, and by tomorrow (Wednesday, December 7) for the Hampton, Mid City, and Parklawn stations, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs reminded residents today.

Completed petitions – which have been made available for several weeks by Alderwoman Coggs and some of her Common Council colleagues – can be turned in to: District Discontinuance Coordinator, 350 W. Saint Paul Ave. Suite 650, Milwaukee, WI 53203-3009.

The signed petitions will be made part of the public comment record for Patrick Donahoe, U.S. Postmaster General, and elected representatives. Again, the USPS is studying for possible closure or consolidation: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. station - 2650 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Dr.; Hampton station - 6501 W. Fond du Lac Ave.; Mid City station - 3421 W. Vliet St.; Parklawn station - 3931 N. 35th St.; and the Teutonia station - 2656 N. Teutonia Ave.

The USPS earlier mailed out surveys to people who live within the service area of each station to ask about how often people use the station, and which products/services they typically use. Many of the neighborhoods that would be affected by the possible post office closures have already had delivery stoppages because of crime and public safety concerns, and USPS mailboxes in many of them have been removed or relocated.

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Earlier this fall the Common Council adopted legislation – file # 110539 – introduced by Alderwoman Coggs urging the U.S. Postmaster General and the U.S. Postal Regulatory Commission “to maintain affordable, secure and dependable postal services in the city.”

People wanting to voice their opposition to possible closings of the stations can call USPS Consumer Affairs at 414 287-2530, and/or can send an email to Paul Nistler at paul.t.nistler@usps.gov.

Petition forms can still be found by going to any of the following Council member web pages:

- www.milwaukee.gov/district2
- www.milwaukee.gov/district6
- www.milwaukee.gov/district7
- www.milwaukee.gov/district15

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