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FOR INFORMATION CALL

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Referendum push will be key focus at tonight's anti-streetcar project rally at Serb Hall

Alderman Donovan will introduce related measure at Tuesday's Council meeting

Alderman Bob Donovan will introduce an item for immediate adoption at Tuesday's full Common Council meeting that (if approved) would require city employees to cease and desist from performing any tasks related to the downtown streetcar project until a majority of Milwaukee voters approve a referendum question asking whether they support construction of the massive public project.

The proposal from Alderman Donovan will be front and center during a **rally today (Tuesday, September 18) at American Serb Hall**, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave. The event will include special guest speakers and representatives of **Americans for Prosperity Wisconsin** and will take place from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. **It is free and open to the public.**

An online petition option unveiled last month called "**A Streetcar named Disaster**" has helped to boost the total number of anti-streetcar signatures garnered to date to more than 7,000, Alderman Donovan said. The online petition was announced by Alderman Donovan during a news conference that included **Brett Healy** of the John K. MacIver Institute of Public Policy, and **Luke Hilgeman** from Americans for Prosperity Wisconsin.

Alderman Donovan has touted the efforts and support of Americans for Prosperity Wisconsin, and said he welcomes others – no matter their political or philosophical allegiances – to join his "common sense effort to stop a ridiculous and wasteful public project during a time of great economic distress."

What: Rally against streetcar project

When: 5 – 7 p.m. TODAY, Tuesday, Sept. 18

Where: Serb Hall, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave.