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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### Letter to Mayor: Alderman Donovan urges streetcar project hold, asks for public vote

In a letter sent to Mayor Barrett today (**attached**), **Alderman Bob Donovan** urges the mayor to put the downtown streetcar project on hold because of uncertainty connected with the upcoming gubernatorial recall election.

In the letter, Alderman Donovan states: “Very specifically, Mr. Mayor, I would like to know if you win the upcoming gubernatorial recall election, will you allocate state money to help subsidize the streetcar’s yearly operational costs? If your answer is “no,” then I strongly suggest that you put the entire project on hold, as the new mayor of Milwaukee may be opposed to the streetcar project (and especially to its ongoing hefty operational costs!).”

“If we get a new mayor, he or she may actually listen to the people of Milwaukee on this issue.”

In the letter Alderman Donovan again asks for a public referendum on the streetcar project, stating that he is convinced that 70% of city residents don’t support the project, which he said will “affect generations of city residents for decades to come.”

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