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City creates employee safety email account

Action is related to fatal March shooting of city DNS inspector

The City of Milwaukee's Department of Employee Relations has created an email account (Safety1st@milwaukee.gov) for employees to use to pass along safety concerns and suggestions, according to **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs**.

Alderwoman Coggs, chair of the Finance and Personnel Committee, said the email account was created in the wake of the fatal March 22 on-duty shooting of Department of Neighborhood Services special enforcement inspector Gregory "Ziggy" Zyszkiewicz. The Department of Employee Relations completed a comprehensive review of departmental policies and practices related to city employees working in the field, including collecting and analyzing information about field safety practices from departments, assessing the needs and priorities of the departments based on employee feedback and exploring the availability of resources to address those concerns. Specific recommendations stemming from that review were presented at the April 13, 2017 meeting of the Finance and Personnel Committee.

"I strongly encourage any city employee who has safety suggestions or concerns to make use of the Safety1st@milwaukee.gov email account," Alderwoman Coggs said. "When sending from a non-city email account, the information you provide is confidential and could end up helping to protect the safety and welfare of you and/or your coworkers."

The Department of Employee Relations has created a webpage with important employee safety information. Please go to city.milwaukee.gov/Safety for additional information.

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