Council action paves way for Komatsu Mining Corp. Move to Harbor District

Statement of Alderman José G. Pérez
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I am pleased that today the Common Council overwhelmingly supported my legislation for the sale of city land at 401 E. Greenfield Ave. in the 12th District to allow Komatsu Mining Corp. to move its mining division headquarters from West Milwaukee to the City of Milwaukee. Once completed in 2022 the $285 million Komatsu South Harbor Campus project will bring nearly 600 workers to our booming Harbor District!

The move will include city financing and improvements that include a new section of RiverWalk that will be accessible to the public. The site includes 13 acres of city land that will be combined with a 46-acre brownfield site owned by We Energies (underused and vacant for many years, known as the Solvay Coke site).

Again, the Komatsu project brings a world leader in mining equipment into the City of Milwaukee’s Harbor District and makes better-than-expected use of land that has been underused and dormant for many years. This is a major win for Milwaukee and the 12th District!

I would like to say “Thank you!” to President Ashanti Hamilton and my Common Council colleagues for their support, and to our Harbor District partners for their advocacy on the project.

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