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Hateful displays ban on worksites moves forward

A resolution prohibiting certain offensive or hostile displays on City infrastructure job sites has been recommended for approval by the Public Works Committee.

Alderman Tony Zielinski, who sponsored the legislation, said the resolution directs the Department of Public Works to include a clause in all contracts **prohibiting certain displays** on City job sites that are **offensive or show hostility** toward a protected group.

The measure comes after a subcontractor brought a Ku Klux Klan sticker to a City worksite. Zielinski worked with the City Attorney's Office in drafting the resolution aimed at preventing similar incidents from occurring.

"Displaying hateful symbols by an independent contractor or its employees is unacceptable and an affront to the very neighborhoods where this work is taking place," said Zielinski. **"It's contrary to the values of the City and its diverse population."**

The resolution prohibits the display or discussion of any written or electronic material that is offensive or shows hostility to certain groups based on but not limited to sex, age, race, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, religion, arrest record or military service.

The legislation will now go before the full Common Council when it meets at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, March 27 in the third floor Common Council Chamber at City Hall, 200 E. Wells St.

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