



# Alderman Joe Dudzik

## 11th District

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### Town Hall Meeting

A town hall meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 28th, 2007** at Hamilton High School, 6215 W. Wauwamont Ave. This is a great opportunity to meet with and hear from Alderman Dudzik and learn more about the water pressure program and upcoming election and polling issues. Ald. Dudzik will also be hosting the new fire chief, Doug Holton. If chosen by this date, Ald. Dudzik will also invite the new Police Chief to attend and meet the residents of District 11.

### Get License Application Info Via E-Notify

Are you concerned about reports that a new tavern may be moving into the neighborhood? Ald. Dudzik wants you to know that you can now receive electronic notification of any City of Milwaukee licensing applications in your area, thanks to a new initiative of the Common Council and Office of the City Clerk.

Simply register a valid e-mail address and password at the City of Milwaukee's "E-Notify" link, and you'll be notified whenever a license application is submitted within 600, 1,000 or 2,640 feet from the registered address. Go to [www.milwaukee.gov/enotify](http://www.milwaukee.gov/enotify) to sign up.

In addition to licensing information, users also have the ability to use the E-Notify system to receive informational city updates and news releases in a wide array of subject and department categories.

### Dear Friends & Neighbors:

**W**e Milwaukeeans know the sure signs of winter on its way, so in this newsletter, I am reminding you of a few key changes in city operations that take place over the holidays. You'll learn about the garbage collection changes into the New Year and new election information for our district. Please note, two polling locations in our district have changed and with both April and November 2008 elections on their way, I want to be sure you know where to go to let your voice be heard.

**Milwaukee itself has gone through some recent changes, including new Fire Chief Doug Holton's appointment.** In this newsletter, you'll hear more about a town hall meeting I'm hosting in November to give you all the chance to meet and talk with the new chief. With candidates approved and the interview processes underway, the city may have a new police chief soon, who I also hope to see at our town hall forum.

Other things you'll read about here will be new information I want to share with you, including information on the new sex offender registry website, E-Notify options from the city, and speed abatement issues. We all need to slow down to stay safe, especially as we approach icy winter months.

I want to take this opportunity to tell you that I really enjoy working for you and for our district. As I walk through the district and knock on your doors, I take pleasure in meeting and talking with you, hearing your concerns and finding ways to help. I am eager to see you at the upcoming town hall meeting where you can meet our newly appointed city officials and hear about the water pressure improvement plan that will affect us over the next few years. **As always, please call my office if you have any concerns about our district and our neighborhoods. I wish you Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday season.**

Sincerely,

**Joe Dudzik**  
Alderman, 11th District



### District Development

**Ald. Dudzik welcomes Gifts From the Heart, another new small business open in District 11. The store at 3224 S. 92nd St. offers crafts and other unique or hard to find gift items.**



## Food Safety Inspections Available Online

A new City of Milwaukee web site is offering the first-of-its-kind system that lets visitors review inspection records of city restaurants, food stores and other outlets that serve food. The Food Establishment Inspection Reporting System, available at [www.milwaukee.gov/fi](http://www.milwaukee.gov/fi), provides timely information on the current city codes compliance of any restaurant, tavern or food store in the 11th District or anywhere in the city.

The search capabilities of the Food Establishment Inspection Reporting System are very flexible.

### For example, one may search by:

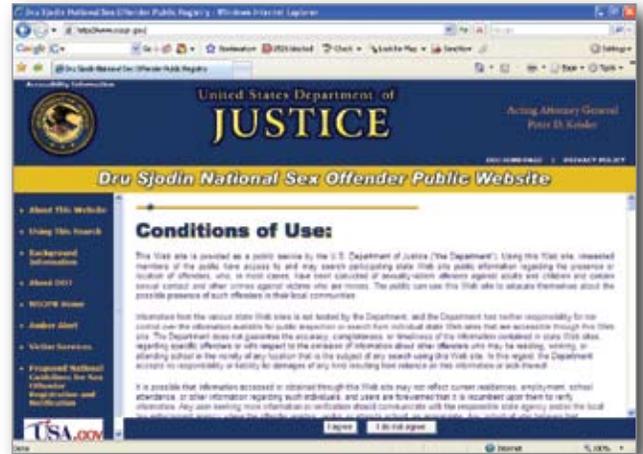
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- ZIP code
- Establishment name
- Establishment street address

Inspection reports currently go back to January 2007 with special inspections starting June 2007. New records are added daily.

"The Health Department conducts routine and special inspections of all food establishments, and citizens can file a complaint directly with the department at 286-3674," Ald. Dudzik said.

## National Sex Offender Registry is Online

Ald. Dudzik would like to remind you that information regarding registered sex offenders can be obtained by visiting [www.nsopr.gov](http://www.nsopr.gov), the National Sex Offender Public Registry. According to the website, "The Department of Justice is committed to working with our state and local partners to keep our communities safe from sexual predators. As part of this initiative, the Department has launched a nationwide, Internet-based, searchable **Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Public Registry** website. The silent sex offender can be just as dangerous as notorious neighborhood gang members, and because of this we must keep parents and communities informed and engaged."



The website is named for Dru Sjodin, a 22-year-old student at the University of North Dakota who was found dead in 2004. Her mother has since become an activist speaking out against sexual violence and worked to support a congressional proposal that created the national sex offender database and streamline state laws involving sex offenders. The proposal, known as Dru's Law, also increases the maximum penalties for such crimes.

Ald. Dudzik reminds you that you can search the database to learn more about registered sex offenders in your neighborhood.

## Learn Effective Property Management

Landlords can learn to screen new tenants and how to deal with nuisance properties by enrolling in the City of Milwaukee's **free Landlord Training Program**. You'll receive 5 hours of training and a 100-page manual describing professional property management guidelines. For information or to register call Program Coordinator Karin Long at 286-2954.

## One Call That's All...286-CITY

That one number can connect you with 21 departments, 8,800 employees and 100s of city services, ranging from building permits to parking permission, library hours to garbage pickups.

Ald. Dudzik says the city continues to seek ways to improve communications with residents, and this one-stop number for city services makes it even easier to find the right department and person to handle your complaint or request. Residents will still call 911 for emergencies but can use the new number for any other calls. Of course, you can always call Ald. Dudzik's office at 286-3768.

## Street Improvements

Road construction on S. 76th St. from W. Oklahoma Ave. to W. Waterford Ave. kept the streets torn up this summer, but as you read this newsletter, the final stages of completion are underway.



# City Hall Milwaukee



## Take Ownership Of Your Neighborhood

There are many challenges facing the city, and it's important that everyone who lives in the community takes ownership of their neighborhoods. Ald. Dudzik wants to remind you that one very important way you can do that is by forming or joining a Block Watch neighborhood organization. **Block Watch is a free, community-based, crime prevention program administered by the Community Services Division of the Milwaukee Police Department.**

The goal is to help residents organize their neighborhoods to prevent crime in the community. Nobody knows a neighborhood better than the people who live in that neighborhood. Participants watch out for their neighbor's property and report suspicious activities to the police. Block Watch is a great way to get to know your neighbors, and by collaborating with police make our neighborhoods safer.

For information on starting or joining a Block Watch, contact the 6th District Community Liaison Officer Jesus Gloria at 935-7268 or at [jglori@milwaukee.gov](mailto:jglori@milwaukee.gov). You may also contact the chairperson for the 6th District Block Watch, Robyn Krimke at [rbkrimke@aol.com](mailto:rbkrimke@aol.com).



## Meet Your Community Liaison Officer

The Milwaukee Police Department's first fully bilingual community liaison officer, **Jesus Gloria** (left) worked as an interpreter for Kenosha County Courts prior to joining the MPD in April 2004. Officer

Gloria graduated from Mary D. Bradford High School in Kenosha and went on to receive his associate's degree in Criminal Justice.

Officer Gloria, who is married and has two children, says his basic approach to his work is that he tries "to provide people with accurate information, with answers to their questions, and I try to return their calls in a timely manner." Gloria says he takes business owners and their concerns very seriously and works to get to know them and their workers. Believing that crime prevention is the smartest move, Gloria reminds members of the district to attend crime analysis meetings and meet the local police captains and lieutenants. **The District 6 police station is located at 3006 S. 27th St. and the meetings are held the last Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.** Getting to know your officers and CLOs is key to Gloria. He says he gets to know his community and helps citizens by "guiding them on preventing crime while being safe at the same time."

## Help Milwaukee Vote – Be A Poll Worker

The City of Milwaukee Election Commission has recently launched "Help Milwaukee Vote," a poll worker recruitment campaign to ensure that Milwaukee's voting sites have sufficient staff during the busy 2008 elections. The Election Commission relies on the participation of more than 2,000 poll workers to provide coverage at the city's 198 voting sites.

"We need strong public support of our local elections so that our polling sites run efficiently and with accuracy," said Sue Edman, Election Commission executive director. Ald. Dudzik encourages the many civic-minded people in Milwaukee to consider dedicating time to supporting the importance of elections.

Election dates in 2008 are **February 19** (Spring Primary/Presidential Preference), **April 1** (Spring General Election), **September 9** (Fall Primary), and **November 4** (Fall General/Presidential Election). Available shifts include a full day from 6:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., or a split shift from 6:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Poll workers receive \$15 for attending a two-hour mandatory training class, and \$84.15 for working a full day, or \$42.08 for a split shift. Poll workers are usually assigned to a site within their Aldermanic District.

## New Polling Locations

It's possible that some residents may see changes in the location where they vote. If you used to vote in Ward 190 at Wedgewood Park Pavilion, 7201 W. Wedgewood Dr. you will now be voting at Zion United Church of Christ, 3301 S. 76th St. If you used to vote in Ward 191, formerly located at Engine 29 firehouse, 3529 S. 84th St., you will also be voting at Zion United Church of Christ.

Call 286-3491 for additional information or visit the Election Commission website at [www.milwaukee.gov/elections](http://www.milwaukee.gov/elections).

# Improved Water Pressure Planned For District

The Milwaukee Water Works will be improving water pressure in an area of the 11th Aldermanic District during the next six years. The affected area in the district includes **S. 51st St. to S. 60th St., from W. Cold Spring Rd. to W. Eden Pl.**, according to Ald. Dudzik.

“The safety of the drinking water will not be compromised at any time during this project, so residents can be assured that they can safely consume, cook with and bathe in the water at all times,” said Ald. Dudzik.

**When finished the effort should bring stronger shower spray to bathrooms, and stronger flow at faucets.**

The Water Works will replace some of the older water mains prior to increasing the pressure. This should greatly reduce the number of main breaks as the water pressure increases. Also, because of the large size of the area, the Water Works will construct the new water mains in three phases (see Phase 1 map below). Prior to each planned pressure increase, Water Works personnel will go door-to-door to talk with customers and leave informational door hangers.

## Here is the schedule:

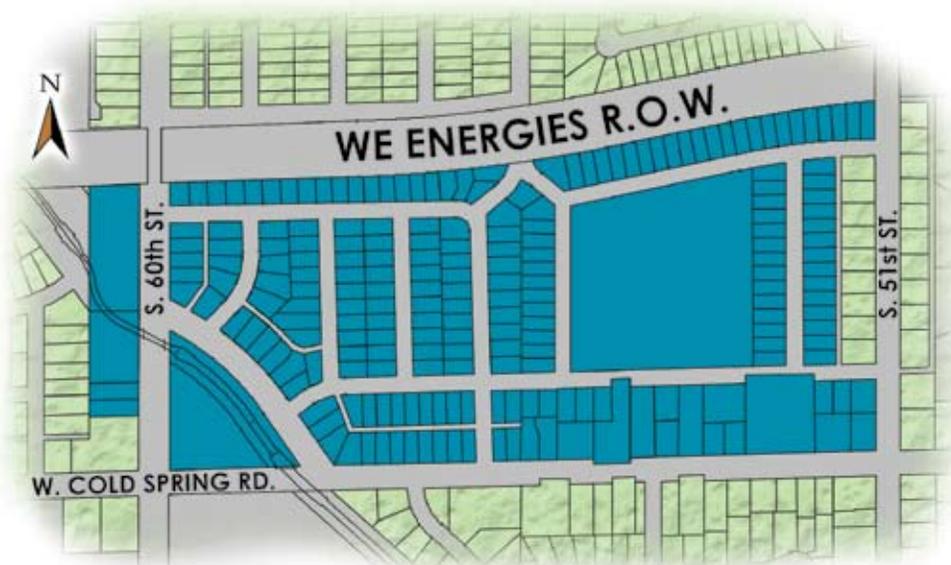
**Phase I:** S. 51st St. to S. 60th St., and W. Cold Spring Rd. to the We Energies right-of-way: Construct water mains in 2008 with water pressure increase in 2009.

**Phase II:** S. 43rd St. to S. 60th St., and the We Energies right-of-way to W. Howard Ave.: Construct water mains in 2010 with water pressure increase in 2011.

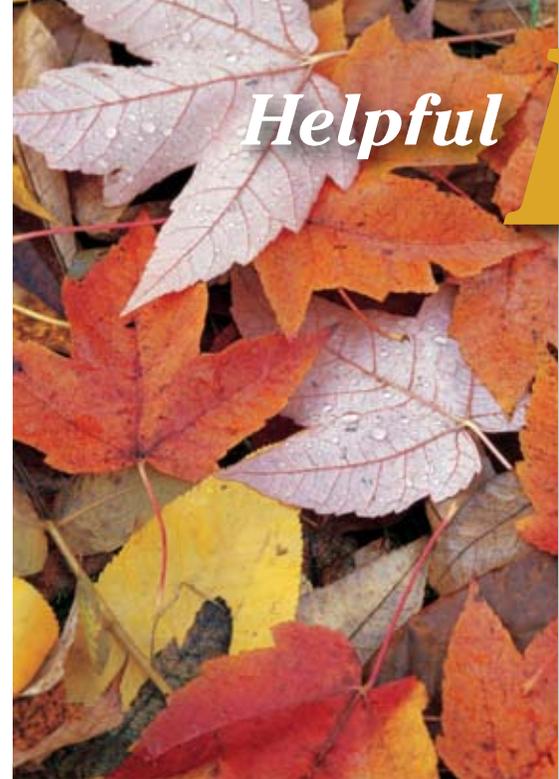
**Phase III:** S. 54th St. to S. 63rd St., and W. Howard Ave. to W. Eden Pl.: Construct water mains in 2012 with water pressure increase in 2013.

In each phase, engineering design will take place the year before water main construction. Once the new mains are in service, the Water Works will test them prior to increasing water pressure, and also notify residents. Homes, apartments, and businesses with older plumbing or existing leaks in their internal plumbing may see additional water dripping due to this raise in pressure.

*Phase II and III maps will be made available at the next Town Hall meeting and as the project moves forward.*



**Blue areas on map show Phase I of the water main replacement for 2008.**



# Helpful

## Fall Leaf Collection

**Residents are asked to rake leaves into the street at the curb for collection by Department of Public Works Sanitation crews through November 15.** After November 15, sanitation crews will still pick up remaining leaf piles as long as weather permits. Residents are asked to please note the date when collection crews will be operating on your block – and to make sure vehicles are not parked so as to hinder or prevent collection efforts (if you are unsure about your collection date, call 286-8282).

Leaves you have bagged can be taken to the Self-Help Center, 3879 W. Lincoln Ave. for disposal. Ald. Dudzik urges residents not to put Halloween pumpkins, brush or branches on the leaf pile, and to keep the leaves away from fire hydrants, sewer grates and storm drains in the street.

## Holiday Tree Disposal

**Garbage collection crews will pick up the tree if it is placed where the garbage is collected.** If your collection is in an alley, trees must be placed at the alley line for collection, not on the street. Only residents whose garbage is collected from the street may place their tree at the curb to be picked up.

Trees may also be taken to a Self-Help Center where they will be composted or turned into mulch. The nearest Self-Help Center is located at 3879 W. Lincoln Ave.

# Fall & Winter tips

## Not Too Late To Make Plans For Winter

While still a few months away, winter will arrive in Milwaukee, and that means we can expect some snow emergencies. Ald. Dudzik wants to remind all residents of some of the requirements during snow and ice control operations.

Remember that **public safety is the first priority** during snow and ice control on the city's 1,400 miles of city streets. Streets are prioritized based on traffic volume, public transportation routes, access to emergency services and schools.

## The Response Depends On The Storm

The Department of Public Works will use only one or two salt trucks to tackle intermittent salting of isolated slippery spots, but a full scale plowing for a big storm will use over 360 pieces of equipment, supplemented by private contractors. **The most common operation is a General Ice Control in which 90 salt trucks are sent out citywide.**

During a major storm, a General Plowing is called and may take 12 to 18 hours to complete the initial plowing followed by several more days cleaning up after parked cars, touching up intersections and widening streets. "Sometimes plows must make four to six passes down a street to clear it curb to curb," said Ald. Dudzik, "and while the city tries to do this at one time, it's best to wait, if possible, until the plows finish before shoveling out your driveway approach."

## Please Shovel Sidewalks

A reminder that property owners and occupants are required by city law to clear sidewalks abutting their property of snow or ice within 24 hours after the snow and ice have stopped falling. Failure to do so could result in the city doing it and charging you.

## "Hardship" Assistance Can Help

Is shoveling your sidewalk after a big Milwaukee snowstorm a "mission impossible" because of age or disability?

Ald. Dudzik wants you to know that city sanitation workers may be able to give you a helping hand.

If you are a senior citizen or disabled and living in a single-family, owner-occupied home, and physically unable to do the shoveling, you may be eligible for "hardship" assistance.

### Eligibility requirements:

- Resident must own the home
- Others in home must also be unable to shovel
- Only the public sidewalk is cleared, no driveways
- Shoveling done only when city plows streets
- \$3.00 for 100 feet, \$0.02 additional foot put on tax bill
- Call Sanitation Division at 286-3345 for application

## Move Your Car To Help Snow Removal

The single biggest problem during major snowstorms is parked and abandoned cars. The plows try to get as close to the curb as they can but those "snowbirds" get in the way and prevent them from completing the job.

Ald. Dudzik asks that you move your vehicles so plows can clear the streets curb to curb. **Remember it is illegal to park in one place for more than 24 hours.**

The Milwaukee Public Schools make a number of school playgrounds available for overnight parking during snow emergencies. Call the **DPW Information Center at 286-8282** for the location of a playground nearest your home.

## Winter Garbage Cart Collection

Because sanitation crews who collect garbage and recyclables also plow snow, collection days may change during the winter, especially after a heavy snowstorm or especially frigid temperatures.

- **Thanksgiving:** No garbage or recycling collection on Thursday, Nov. 22 and Friday, Nov. 23, 2007.
- **Christmas:** No garbage or recycling collection on Monday, Dec. 24 and Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007.
- **New Year's:** No garbage or recycling collection on Monday, Dec. 31, 2007 and Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008.
- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:** No garbage or recycling collection on Monday, Jan. 21, 2008.

After these holidays, the day of garbage collection moves one day later in the week. There is no change in the collection of recyclables after the holiday. **NOTE: All garbage collection dates from Dec. through April are tentative because of possible inclement weather.**

Remember that summer curbside collection of garbage carts for households without alleys ends November 30, 2007. Sanitation crews will collect the carts from their storage areas. Households with alleys are not required to change their procedures since they are emptied at the alley line.





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## Call For Action

Additional copies of the 2005-2006 "Call For Action" Governmental Phone Directory can be obtained by contacting my office. The popular telephone directory is arranged alphabetically by specific problems and topics. If you would like additional copies please send me an e-mail at [J.Dudzik@milwaukee.gov](mailto:J.Dudzik@milwaukee.gov) or call me at 286-3768. You may also call after normal business hours and leave a voice mail message.

Remember the city also has a special "one-stop" spot to request services if you have a computer and Internet access. The online request form allows citizens to request a service without knowing which city department would provide the service. Go to "**E-Service Request**" at [www.milwaukee.gov/eservices](http://www.milwaukee.gov/eservices) and your request will be sent automatically to the appropriate city department.

## Take An Active Role In Slowing Speeding

Speeding drivers on residential streets is one of the most common complaints received by Ald. Dudzik and the Milwaukee Police Department. Residents can take the first step toward taking ownership of their neighborhoods by becoming involved in addressing this problem through the city's Neighborhood Speed Watch Program. Part of Milwaukee's new Neighborhood Traffic Management Program.

Neighborhood Speed Watch is a public awareness program in which concerned citizens can take an active role in solving

the problem of speeders in their own neighborhoods. City residents record speeds and license numbers of cars traveling in excess of speed designations on neighborhood streets. Notification is then sent from the city to the registered owners of those vehicles.

A minimum of two volunteers is required at all times during the speed watch. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older to participate. Volunteers under the age of 21 must be accompanied by an adult 21 years or older. This allows high school and college students to participate in the program.

If you are interested in this program, contact David Schlabowske, Milwaukee Department of Public Works, 841 N. Broadway, Room 918, Milwaukee, WI 53202 via letter, phone 286-3144 or e-mail at [dschla@mpw.net](mailto:dschla@mpw.net).

"Speeding and other traffic violations have been a problem for far too long," said Ald. Dudzik, "and I encourage residents to look into the Speed Watch Program as a way to improve their quality of life and safety."

## District Development

Generating new small businesses in a district is one of the toughest development challenges a community faces. The True Value at 3939 S. 76th St. overcame that hurdle when the store opened earlier this year. Other new small businesses are slated to open in the area of S. 60th St. and W. Forest Home Ave. early next year. Ald. Dudzik is pictured here with True Value staff member Sarah Sibley.

