Common Council Members Request Public’s Help In Catching Rapist

A series of sexual assaults have plagued the central city of Milwaukee since January, with the latest victim, a 14-year-old girl, assaulted on Tuesday (November 13) at the corner of N. 40th St. and W. North Ave. The majority of these incidents have occurred “between 6:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. in the area bounded by N. 27th and N. 40th Streets and W. Garfield to W. Juneau Avenues,” according to the Milwaukee Police Department.

The MPD Public Relations Office describes the key suspect as a light-skinned black male, 20 to 27 years old, 5’6” to 5’9” tall, about 160 lbs. with a medium build. He has a light complexion and black hair worn short with slight facial hair. He is said to have green or hazel eyes. Other officers have told aldermen that he has bright yellow teeth and a mole on the lower part of his face.

The suspect has been described with two possible vehicle descriptions: an older two-door midsize care with possible green and purple strips, or a white/gray Crown Victoria.

Aldermen Willie L. Hines Jr. of the 15th District and Robert J. Bauman of the 4th District represent the residents that have been victimized. They are calling on individuals to take extra precautions and to ensure that all young women are with friends or family at all times until the perpetrator is in custody.

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“It is absolutely critical that we do all we can to protect our young women at this time,” said Common Council President Hines. “They should not be waiting at bus stops or on corners alone. The police are doing all that they can to catch this monstrous individual, but residents need to do all that they can as well.”

Ald. Bauman said residents who think they might have information – no matter how small – that might help in the investigation should contact Milwaukee police immediately. “Sometimes cases are solved because police were given a name or a specific description or detail, and each year an untold number of cases are solved simply because police were called about a suspicious vehicle,” he said.

In addition, Ald. Bob Donovan, Public Safety Chair for the City of Milwaukee, has joined Hines and Bauman in working to help the MPD coordinate its efforts with residents and all community-based organizations in the area.

“When there’s a predator on the loose attacking and victimizing Milwaukee citizens, we must mobilize the thousands of neighborhood residents who can provide the eyes and ears needed to help police bring this person to justice,” Ald. Donovan said.

Any person with possible information about these crimes is encouraged to call the Milwaukee Police Department Sensitive Crimes Division at 414-935-7207.

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