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Ald. McGee Claims Irregularities At Polling Locations

Irregularities at several 6th Aldermanic District polling locations are likely “just the tip of the iceberg” of problems affecting Milwaukee voters during today’s spring primary election, according to Ald. Mike McGee, Jr.

Going further, Ald. McGee said he believes today’s problems indicate that city Election Commission workers are, in his opinion, “not just passive observers but actually complicit participants in voter fraud.”

Ald. McGee said a female poll watcher who said she was trained by Election Commission personnel approached him inside St. James United Methodist Church at N. 24th St. and W. Keefe Ave. and asked him and other prospective voters if they wanted to vote for Municipal Court judge candidate Jeffrey Norman, whose name was kept off the ballot because he was late in filing a required ethics report with the State Elections Board.

“She walked up and said ‘Hi, would you like to write in Jeffrey Norman for Municipal Court judge?’” the alderman said of the St. James encounter. “I was shocked, so I asked her who told her she could do that, and she said ‘I was told to do that in the training given by the Election Commission.’”

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Polling Place Irregularities/ADD ONE

At the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. branch public library, 310 W. Locust St., witnesses saw stickers bearing Jeffrey Norman's name left inside the polling location and easily accessible to prospective voters, Ald. McGee said. When informed by a witness that having the stickers clearly accessible was a violation of election regulations, a poll worker placed a U.S. Rep. Gwen Moore flyer over the stickers to conceal them from view, he said.

Also, the alderman said it appears the Election Commission allowed poll workers to use sample ballots that include Jeffrey Norman's name in a manner meant to show how a write-in vote should be properly cast. "Why would you allow workers to have these sample ballots (with Norman's name on them) at polling locations unless you were soliciting votes for Jeffrey Norman?" Ald. McGee said, noting that such ballots were seen at several polling locations, including Ben Franklin School, 2308 W. Nash St., ML King, 3275 N. 3rd St., and Green Bay Avenue School, 3872 N. 8th St.

Ald. McGee said he would like authorities to look into the source of the sample ballots bearing Norman's name. "I certainly hope Milwaukee taxpayers' dollars weren't used to print and disseminate sample ballots that actually have Jeffrey Norman's name printed on them," he said.

Ald. McGee said he spoke about the irregularities with Milwaukee County District Attorney John Chisholm, who expressed immediate concern and vowed to have investigators look into the issues.

"If these problems are any indication of how the Election Commission is handling this primary, then I suspect these same problems are rampant at wards across the city, and it makes me real concerned about how things will go during the April 3 general election," Ald. McGee said.