MEDIA ADVISORY

Ald. Terry Witkowski, Common Council President, Ald. Willie L. Hines, Jr. and Ald. James N. Witkowiak, Licenses Committee chair, are hosting a news conference TODAY, MARCH 17, 2008 to discuss plans for enforcing an escort service ordinance already on Milwaukee’s books. A communication introduced at tomorrow’s Common Council meeting will be heard before the Licenses Committee March 25, 2008, and will discuss how escort services are licensed and regulated and what, if any, steps are required to continue to prevent such agencies from serving as prostitution fronts. Police Chief Flynn indicates that there is enforcement of these regulations and that the Milwaukee Police Department will present a report to the Licenses Committee.

Alderman Witkowski said, “We are working to make sure the laws we have on the books are being enforced and doing the work they should. The collaborative discussion of enforcement with the Police Department is our first step.”

President Hines said, “We need to be proactive as a city in addressing how we enforce our current laws in regard to these types of businesses. I’m pleased that Chief Flynn is willing to partner with the Common Council on issues of enforcement.”

WHAT: Escort service regulation news conference
WHEN: TODAY, 3:00 p.m. Monday, March 17, 2008
WHERE: City Hall rotunda, 200 E. Wells St.