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***MILWAUKEE POLICE ANNOUNCE DISTRICT 7 PLAN FOR  
SHERMAN PARK AREA***

**WHAT:** Announcement of District 7 Sherman Park Policing Plan

**WHEN:** 6:30 p.m., Monday, February 18, 2008

**WHERE:** Department of Public Works facility, 3850 N. 35<sup>th</sup> St., Milwaukee

**WHO:** Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, Milwaukee Police Chief Edward A. Flynn, District 7 Captain Patrick Mitchell, Alderman Willie Wade. Also in attendance will be the valued community partners who will be a key part of the success of this plan.

**DETAILS:** The Sherman Park Neighborhood is a diverse neighborhood with a rich history. It is not the most violent area of the city of Milwaukee, however, over the last several years incidents of violent crime, drug dealing and disorderly behavior (loud music, littering, public drinking and graffiti) have been on the rise.

The area of operation will include the area bordered by W. Center St. to W. Concordia Avenue, North 35<sup>th</sup> St. to N. 51<sup>st</sup> St.

The area consists of multi-family housing units such as duplexes and four-family apartments. A portion of the area consists of owner occupied single family residences. Small businesses are located on the main arterials such as W. Center St. and W. Burleigh Ave. The area is home to St. Joseph's Hospital, which has been a stabilizing influence in the area and has been involved in various community projects.

In 2007, the area of operation experienced six homicides, 13 non-fatal shootings and numerous robberies, vehicle thefts and burglaries. If the situation in this neighborhood is not mitigated, it is expected that it will continue to deteriorate with the result being higher levels of crime, fear and disorder.

**The media are invited to cover this event and to communicate information to those who wish to make their neighborhoods safer.**

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