

# Milwaukee Common Council: DNC Convention a super win for Milwaukee

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The announcement early yesterday that the City of Milwaukee will host the 2020 Democratic National Convention is absolutely some of the best news our city has ever received.

The event will truly be felt city-wide as more than 50,000 people will come to the city and the metro area, bringing an economic impact of more than \$200 million that will benefit entrepreneurs, businesses, hotels, restaurants, museums and many, many others.

The contract we approved yesterday authorizing the City of Milwaukee to enter into an agreement to bring the 2020 DNC convention to our city includes protections for the city and zero taxpayer dollars. This event will be transformational for Milwaukee, bringing an economic impact that we want to be shared across the entire city and in every neighborhood. We will be working closely with the Host Committee to follow through to make sure the convention will have the beneficial impact it so clearly promises – not only during those special days in July 2020 – but for years afterward as well.

Our hat's off to the Host Committee that put together such a tremendous bid proposal and worked hard every step of the way to help convince the DNC to choose Milwaukee. We salute you and thank you for a great team effort that brought home such a wonderful prize!

We will now move forward with great pride and confidence in showcasing Milwaukee to the world in about 490 days!