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Subject: Covid testing centers

Hello Councillor Nann,

I'm writing today in regards to the closure of covid centres in the city. With the fourth wave and the delta variant upon us, and the school year about to begin, this seems like a bad time to close testing centres in the lower city.

While I'm privileged enough to have a car, I can't imagine the frustration of having to travel by public transportation up to Mohawk to get my child tested, to say nothing of the transit workers and other passengers I would potentially be exposing. Also, the Mohawk location is close to a half a km walk from West 5th to the testing centre, which is quite a distance for those with mobility issues, who may now also be battling a respiratory virus.

Now seems like a good time to reopen a test centre that serves the city's most vulnerable populations in the lower city, as well as protecting transit drivers, and accommodating the surge in testing demand from the new school year.

Thanks for your consideration,

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