



# PILSEN NEIGHBORS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## **Alivio Medical Center and Residents at Casa Maravilla Demand Bus Stop in Pilsen**

CHICAGO, IL. May 5, 2011—On Thursday, May 5, Pilsen Neighbors Community Council will be holding a community meeting in Pilsen to ask CTA and the City of Chicago to re-route and add a new bus stop at Alivio Medical Center. The bus remains at an intersection that is quite dangerous to cross. Residents will also have better access to medical services.

**Current bus stop:** Cermak Rd. and Morgan St.

**Add bus stop and shelter:** In front of Alivio Medical Center: 966 W. 21<sup>st</sup> Street

Back in December 2010, Pilsen residents along with PNCC, held a press conference where Alderman Solis, and Michael Simmons, (Records Secretary) Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) attended. Leaders from Chicago and around the country marched that day to protest the re-route. Residents await a response from the CTA.

“Adequate, well-planned public transportation means healthier individuals and healthier communities,” said Agustin Vega, resident of Casa Maravilla. “At a time of economic crisis, Chicagoans need public transportation more than ever to access health care and healthy food, as well as economic opportunity. Re-routing the No. 21 bus to ease patient access to the Alivio Medical Center would be a big step in the right direction.”

**WHO:** Darrell Jefferson, President ATU, Alderman Danny Solis (25<sup>th</sup> Ward), CTA representatives

**WHAT:** Community Meeting to re-route bus stop in Pilsen

**WHEN:** Thursday, May 5, 2010- 6:00pm-7:00pm

**WHERE:** Casa Maravilla Senior Building 2021 S. Morgan Street, Chicago. Parking is relaxed.

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