



ITEM REPORT UTILITIES COMMISSION

Agenda Date: 4/8/2026
Agenda Section: Business Item

Department Origination: Public Works

Agenda Item: Accept the 2026 Water Service Saddle Review Report

Approval Required: Simple Majority Vote

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this report is to review historic project information regarding non-stainless steel service saddles that may have been installed in the system prior to 1995. The City has evidence of corrosion and deterioration in non-stainless-steel services saddles that are likely leaking and contributing to the City's unaccounted for water losses.

The review gathered information regarding the number and location of the suspect water service saddles in the City's system. This information will be used to budget and plan for proactive replacements in conjunction with upcoming roadway related improvement projects.

The City will review this Report prior to future construction projects to determine if water service saddle replacement may be required similar to what is currently being done with the "2025 Hydrant and Watermain Plastic Fitting Review Report". If the project being considered is in a location where non-stainless-steel saddles may exist, exploratory excavation should be conducted to determine the need for replacement. If replacements are required, they should be completed as part of the project.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no immediate financial implications. The City will utilize the report to identify where non-stainless steel service saddles may existing and to budget for replacement in coordination with future improvement projects. Estimated replacement costs could be as high as \$852,000.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends acceptance of the report. The report will be used as a resource to provide direction and budgeting on future infrastructure projects and maintenance activities.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED

Motion to accept the 2026 Water Service Saddle Review Report.