



Agenda Item Report

Meeting Type: Committee of the Whole/Common Council

Meeting Date: October 6, 2026

Item Title: Discuss and consider donating 40 abandoned bicycles to Dreambikes non-profit organization in Madison.

Submitted By: Dennis Weiner, Chief of Police

Detailed Description of Subject Matter:

The department has accumulated 40 abandoned/found bicycles in various states of repair/disrepair, over the last 10 years. They are currently stored at the old Countryside Ford building. With that demolition planned in the future, we are looking to dispose of them to a non-profit organization. Given their conditions and value an online auction means would not be feasible.

We reached out and researched area non-profits. Some were not interested and only accept them in 'gently used' condition, to require minimal repair or refurbishing time and cost before being distributed. One, Dreambikes in Madison (dream-bikes.org) will take them in any condition. Dreambikes is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that provides job training to teens and returns bikes to the community. They do not have means to pick up that volume and we would have to deliver to them to the north side of Madison. I have no issue with coordinating that.

List all Supporting Documentation Attached:

None.

Action Requested of Council:

Discus, consider, and take action on donating 40 abandoned bicycles to Dreambikes in Madison.