



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

AGENDA DATE: March 24, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider donating eleven (11) abandoned bikes to Itasca County YMCA

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BACKGROUND:

Grand Rapids Police Department is frequently called upon by concerned citizens regarding abandoned bikes. Abandoned bikes often found in all corners of town and are even routinely fished from the river after being thrown from the walking bridges. Responding law enforcement contact nearby residents in attempts to find the bike owner. Often such efforts are fruitless.

GRPD then stores the abandoned bikes with the hopes that the rightful owner will surface. The bike pile grows.

Statute and associated policy require that lost / abandoned property is held for ninety (90) days. All eleven (11) bikes have been held more than ninety (90) days.

GRPD has contacted the Itasca County YMCA to see if they were interested in receiving such a donation. The YMCA is excited to receive the bikes and intends on utilizing them in the Community Bike Share and Summer Youth program.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Make a motion to donate eleven (11) abandoned bikes to Itasca County YMCA