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Date: January 20, 2026

To: City Manager Susan Como

From: John G. Kosanke, Director of Public Safety
Susan Como

Subject: K9 Arcos Introduction

The Department of Public Safety would like to officially introduce K9 Arcos to the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council and community.

Arcos joined the department on October 12, 2025, the day he was selected from the K9 Academy Training Facility in Taylor, Michigan by his handler, Officer Duncan Gill. The two-year-old male German Shepard was born in the Czech Republic. Officer Gill named him after a military working dog who died in 2005 while protecting his U.S. Special Operations Team which was stationed in Iraq.

Officer Gill and Arcos have spent several months training together at the K9 Academy and are continuing to train. Arcos is certified in tracking, narcotics detection, building and evidence searches, obedience, criminal apprehension, and handler protection.

We are confident that Arcos will be a great asset to the department and will make a significant impact on the reduction of crime in the community. In addition, his friendly personality and curious nature have already made him a popular addition to the department. Please join us in welcoming Arcos!