

## **MEMO**

## **Finance**

To: Common Council

From: Finance Director

Date: 7/18/2023

Re: Successful City Domain Migration to Kaukauna.gov

The city domain migration from our previous platforms of kaukauna-wi.org and cityofkaukauna.com to Kaukauna.gov has been successfully completed. This migration involved updating all email addresses and website addresses associated with the city. This project was initiated in response to a mandate from the Election Commission to complete this process before the 2024 elections. I am pleased to report that we have achieved this milestone well ahead of the deadline, with over a year to spare.

A .gov domain is a top-level domain (TLD) used exclusively by government entities, such as federal, state, and local government agencies in the United States. It indicates that the website is associated with a government organization or institution. These domains are strictly regulated, and the registration process involves verifying the eligibility of the applicant to ensure they are a legitimate government entity.

The migration to Kaukauna.gov was a crucial step to ensure an efficient and unified online presence for our city. By consolidating our digital resources under a single domain, we have enhanced our ability to provide seamless services to our residents, local businesses, and other stakeholders. This initiative aligns with our commitment to leverage technology for improved governance and communication.

The new email addresses for city officials and departments now follow the format of [name]@kaukauna.gov. For example, John Doe's email address will be jdoe@kaukauna.gov. This change ensures consistency and simplifies communication channels between various departments and constituents.

Similarly, the city's website address has also been updated to reflect the new domain. Residents and visitors can now access the official city website at www.kaukauna.gov. We have taken care to redirect all previous links to the appropriate pages on the new domain, minimizing any disruptions to users.

By completing this migration well in advance of the 2024 elections, we have demonstrated our proactive approach to meeting mandated requirements. This achievement reflects the hard work and dedication of our IT Manager as well as our Communications Coordinator, who have worked tirelessly to ensure a smooth transition. I would like to extend my appreciation to the entire team for their efforts and commitment to this project.

With the successful migration of our city domain to Kaukauna.gov, we have taken a significant step towards a more cohesive and streamlined digital presence. This will undoubtedly contribute to improved service delivery, enhanced communication, and increased accessibility for our community. I encourage all council members to update their contact information accordingly and spread the word to our constituents.

If you have any questions or require further information regarding the domain migration, please feel free to reach out to me or IT Manager, Tim Taplin. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to the continued progress and success of our city's digital initiatives.