City of Kaukauna Board of Public Works

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Agenda Item #2c No-Mow May Discussion

Background

To promote and educate the community about the critical period of pollinator emergence, City Staff is recommending that the month of May 2022 be designated as No Mow May in the City of Kaukauna. Have you ever noticed that when you don't mow your lawn for a couple of weeks, a new plant pops up? These plants are often native to Wisconsin and great sources of food for bees, butterflies, and other pollinators. Allowing lawns to grow by not mowing for a month leads to an increase the number and types of both pollinators and plants. By not mowing your lawn for the month of May, you can help the pollinators and plants right in your back (and front) yard.

Ways you can participate:

Forgo mowing during the month of May.

Forgo mowing the first 2-3 weeks during the month of May.

Forgo mowing your terrace, front yard, backyard, or any other area of your property. Forgo using insecticides/pesticides.

This agenda item is for discussion of any concerns with last year's event or the proposed 2022 No-Mow May event. A resolution is on the agenda for Common Council approval tomorrow night.

Recommended Action

- Discuss/Review and make recommendations.
- Recommend to Common Council approval of the No-Mow May Resolution.