

Agenda Item #2b

Ordinance Creation Specifically Prohibiting Discharge of Grass Clippings, Leaves, Yard Waste, and Other Debris Unto Public Streets.

Background

Grass clippings, leaves and other yard waste/debris being discharged into the street is identified as a concern and staff was directed to specifically address this issue. Existing ordinances vaguely prohibit the practice of discharging any item into the MS4 system that is not stormwater. However, this language does not specifically address grass clippings or any other form of yard waste.

In 2018, Sec. 10.08 was created to provide the support for our grass, leaves, and other yard waste/debris enforcement, but according to staff, it was not published, signed, or added to the Municipal Code. This occurred during a period between the former Clerk/Treasurer resigning and the new Clerk taking her position. I am attaching the draft version we have on file. There were some changes requested during the previous meeting, and City Attorney read-in the final language.

Draft ordinance is attached for review/discussion/edits prior to sending a final version to Common Council.

Recommended Action

Review and make recommendations. Direct Engineering and City Attorney to make any changes necessary and place final Ordinance on a future Common Council agenda for approval.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 10.08(1) OF THE KAUKAUNA MUNICIPAL CODE
TO PROHIBIT DISCHARGE OF GRASS CLIPPINGS AND YARD WASTE
UNTO PUBLIC STREETS

WHEREAS, Section 22.03 of the Kaukauna Municipal Code prohibits discharge of any pollutants or solids into public waters; and

WHEREAS, solids discharged or deposited onto public streets enter public waters through the stormwater system; and

WHEREAS, Section 22.03(10) of the Kaukauna Municipal Code further requires best management practices be employed to prevent, control and reduce stormwater pollutants; and

WHEREAS, controlling, reducing and eliminating grass clippings and yard waste from public streets will so control and reduce stormwater pollutants;

NOW THEREFORE, it is ordained by the Common Council of the City of Kaukauna that Section 10.08(1) of the Kaukauna Municipal Code is hereby created as follows:

Section 10.08. Public Right Of Way.

- (1) No person shall discharge grass clippings, leaves, yard waste, or other debris or particulates, or cause grass clippings, leaves, yard waste, or other debris or particulates, to be discharged or deposited onto public streets.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication.

APPROVED:

Mayor Eugene J. Rosin

ATTEST: _____
Susan J. Duda, Clerk/Treasurer

Adopted: _____

Published: _____