

CITY OF SHEBOYGAN

REQUEST FOR LICENSING, HEARINGS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

ITEM DESCRIPTION: Report submitting the Police Department Quarterly Report for the period commencing January 1, 2026, and ending March 31, 2026.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Kurt Zempel, Chief of Police

REPORT DATE: April 24, 2026

MEETING DATE: May 11, 2026

FISCAL SUMMARY:

Budget Line Item: N/A
Budget Summary: N/A
Budgeted Expenditure: N/A
Budgeted Revenue: N/A

STATUTORY REFERENCE:

Wisconsin N/A
Statutes:
Municipal Code: Sec. 30-50

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The Quarterly Report of Benchmarks for the Police Department for the Period commencing January 1, 2026, and ending March 31, 2026, is presented for information and discussion as required by section 30-50 of the Municipal Code.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Highlights of the report are as follows:

- Violent crimes continue to trend favorably compared to both the previous year and the five-year average, driven by a decline in assaults overall.
- Property crimes also remain low this year, with significant drops in both criminal damage to property (43 vs. 61) and retail thefts (41 vs. 74) contributing to the decline.
- The department continues to engage in proactive traffic enforcement targeted to our highest-risk street segments. This year has seen an increase in traffic stops and traffic crashes remain low compared to historical averages.
- Our training division just completed our spring sessions of in-service training, and May will see the academy graduation of three additional officers.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to recommend Council file report 4-26-27.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Report 4-26-27