



## AGENDA ITEM MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 6/2/2025

TO: Public Works Committee

FROM: Kevin Jump, PE – City Engineer

SUBJECT: General Ordinance 8-25-26 – An ordinance amending sections 22-93 and 22-97 of the Sheboygan Municipal Code relating to post-construction stormwater management.

### ISSUE

Should the Public Works Committee recommend revising the stormwater ordinance?

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approving changes to the stormwater ordinance.

### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The City recently revised its post-stormwater ordinance to align with Wis. Admin. Code Ch. NR 151 regulations as a baseline, incorporating additional measures to mitigate the risk of stormwater infrastructure overcapacity. Like many municipalities, Sheboygan has adopted stricter requirements than those mandated by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). However, City staff strongly advocate for reinstating the two exemptions outlined below into the ordinance to better balance regulatory oversight with practical implementation.

- 1) Adding an exemption for redevelopment post-construction sites with no increase in exposed parking lots or roads.
- 2) Adding an exemption to the Peak Flow requirements to allow for a post-construction site where the change in hydrology due to development does not increase the existing surface water elevation at any point within the downstream receiving water by more than 0.01 of a foot for the 2-year, 24-hour storm event.

Excluding these exemptions from the ordinance could lead to substantially increased development costs for properties across the City, while offering only minimal benefits. Reinstating these exemptions would ensure the City's ordinance remains aligned with DNR regulations on these specific provisions, striking a balance between regulatory compliance and practical development considerations.

### FUNDING IMPACT

There will be no funding impact.

### IF APPROVED, NEXT STEPS:

If approved, City staff will begin reviewing stormwater approval using the new ordinance.

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