

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 October 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025.

REPORT PREPARED BY: Kurt Zempel, Chief of Police

REPORT DATE: January 23, 2026

MEETING DATE: February 9, 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 October 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025, 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:

- Crimes against persons ended the year slightly better than the five-year average, with assaults lower than in 2024 but still higher than historical averages.
- Property crimes continued to drop to historical lows, including just 21 burglaries compared to 42 in 2024. Robberies were up compared to 2024 but have typically fluctuated between 3 and 17 since 2013.
- Traffic crashes were the lowest since 2020 and the second lowest in at least 20 years, likely much longer. Targeted, high-visibility traffic enforcement campaigns, focused on areas of crash problems, remain a core strategy to reduce crashes, with increased numbers of both HVEE deployments and traffic stops compared to previous years.
- The department responded overwhelmingly to formally tracking proactive work like neighborhood foot patrols, hot-spot crime patrols, and field interviews, demonstrating active support of our prevention and engagement strategies.

ACTION REQUESTED:

Motion to recommend to Council to Approve the Report 47-25-26.

ATTACHMENTS:

- I. Report 47-25-26