



Memorandum

To: Chair Hansen and Members of the Planning Commission

From: Daniel R. Buchholtz, MMC, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer

Date: June 21, 2021

Subject: Bulk Deicer Storage Facility Ordinance

The City of Spring Lake Park holds an MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit from the MPCA that regulates the City's storm water system. The City just applied for a renewal of that MS4 permit and learned that the City is required to adopt an ordinance establishing regulations around bulk deicer storage facilities to protect waterbodies connected to the City's storm water system from exposure to chlorides.

The proposed ordinance adds a definition to define the terms Bulk Deicer Storage and Deicer. The proposed ordinance establishes general requirements for how such indoor/outdoor bulk deicer storage facilities should be regulated.

There are very few of these facilities within the city; the largest one being the MnDOT facility at the intersection of County Road 10 and Highway 65. This ordinance would only affect new facilities and existing ones undergoing an expansion. All others would be grandfathered under current rules.

Because staff is adding this provision to the zoning code, the Planning Commission is required to hold a public hearing on the proposed ordinance. Notice of the public hearing was included in the June 18 edition of the Blaine/SLP Life.

Staff recommends approval of the proposed ordinance to bring the City into conformance with the new MS4 permit requirements.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 763-784-6491.

