



Memorandum

To: Mayor Nelson and Members of the City Council

Cc: Dan Buchholtz, City Administrator

From: George Linngren, Public Works Director

Date: May 1, 2025

Subject: April 2025 Public Works Report

The work activities for April.

- **North Garage Cleanup & Recycling Prep:** Significant cleaning and organizing was completed at the North Garage at City Hall in preparation for the recycling event held on April 26th. We filled one dumpster with scrap metal and another with general waste.
- **Recycling Event:** The recycling event was a great success thanks to the extensive preparation by Haley Morrison, our recycling lead. The event ran smoothly over the four-hour period, diverting a substantial amount of material from the landfill. Special thanks to Cory Haugen and Austin Becker for their assistance.
- **Street Sweeping:** The new street sweeper was put to use, and a complete pass through the city has already been made. We collected approximately 50 yards of debris during this first round.
- **Media Coverage:** Cable News conducted an interview and demonstration segment featuring myself and Cory Haugen with the new sweeper. The segment is available on the city's website.
- **Park & Ball Field Maintenance:** Park mowing has begun, and ball fields are being prepped for the season, including trimming, fertilizing, and application of weed control. Brett DeBoer and Ben Turbitt have been actively managing these tasks with valuable help from returning seasonal staff, Terry Randall and Steve Coyle.
- **City Hall Project:** The City Hall renovation project is nearing completion. Our team has wrapped up smaller tasks, while the contractor is addressing the final punch list items.
- **Hydrant Flushing:** A full round of hydrant flushing was completed with minimal disruption. Thank you to Trevor Heller and Ben Turbitt for their efforts.
- **Watermain Repairs:** Watermain breaks were repaired on 81st Street, 6th Street, and Fillmore Street.
- **General Support:** In addition to the above, our team continued to support other departments as needed. It's encouraging to see the collaboration across departments.

1. I attended 2 council meetings and 1 workshop.
2. I attended the bi weekly construction meetings for city hall.
3. I attended SUSA, the monthly Utility operators meeting.
4. I attended the Coon Creek Watershed meeting.

This concludes my report for the month of May. I will stand for questions.