



## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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**TO:** Kate Thunstrom, City Administrator  
**FROM:** Paul Carpenter, Public Works Director  
**SUBJECT:** MWOA Operator Award  
**DATE:** August 4, 2025

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### **OVERVIEW:**

Once a year the Minnesota Wastewater Operators Association (MWOA) presents Outstanding Operator of the Year awards in Grand Rapids, MN. The awards are given by the classification of the plant that the individual runs and oversees, with the Class A Wastewater plant being one of the most respected. The individuals nominated for these honors are typically in the business for many years and are highly qualified in their field. The Operator of the year is a lifelong achievement award and highly coveted in the industry.

Public Works Staff are proud to announce that Parish Barten was nominated and received the 2025 Class A Outstanding Operator of the Year from MWOA!

Staff would also like to thank Parish for over 20 years of dedicated service to the City of St. Francis and congratulate him for receiving the 2025 Class A Outstanding Operator of the Year from MWOA!

### Attachments:

- Picture