

Engineering Division of the Public Works Department

To: Chairman Arnett and Public Works Commission Members
From: Andrew Beyer, P.E., Director of Public Works/City Engineer
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Subject: 2025 MS4 Permit Annual Report

Background

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources requires an Annual Report be submitted summarizing actions taken to comply with the WPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit during 2025. The report provides information on the following permit categories:

- Public Education and Outreach
- Public Involvement
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- Construction Site Pollutant Control
- Post-Construction Storm Water Management
- Pollution Prevention (Municipal Operations)
- MS4 Map
- Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Implementation

Detailed information for each permit category is included in the report.

The 2019-2024 MS4 Permit remains in effect until the next MS4 Permit is reissued.

Budget Goal

1. Proactively maintains and improves our parks and infrastructure to ensure safety, quality, and equity
2. Fosters community growth by assessing opportunities, stakeholder input, environmental needs, and modern code and policy priorities
3. Maintains a safe and healthy community, with an eye toward future needs and trends

Financial Impact

Engineering Division tracks expenditures for MS4 Permit compliance. Partnerships and grants have helped minimize program implementation costs over time.

Recommendation

Engineering Division staff recommend approval of the 2025 MS4 Permit Annual Report, to be submitted to Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources by the March 31st, 2026 deadline.

2026 Operational Goals

Present a budget that (Department select the relevant goals, and delete those not relevant):

1. Invests in the strategic planning and maintenance of our city buildings
2. Proactively maintains and improves our parks and infrastructure to ensure safety, quality, and equity
3. Supports employee retention and growth, while also evaluating operations and the associated staffing
4. Fosters community growth by assessing opportunities, stakeholder input, environmental needs, and modern code and policy priorities
5. Maintains a safe and healthy community, with an eye toward future needs and trends