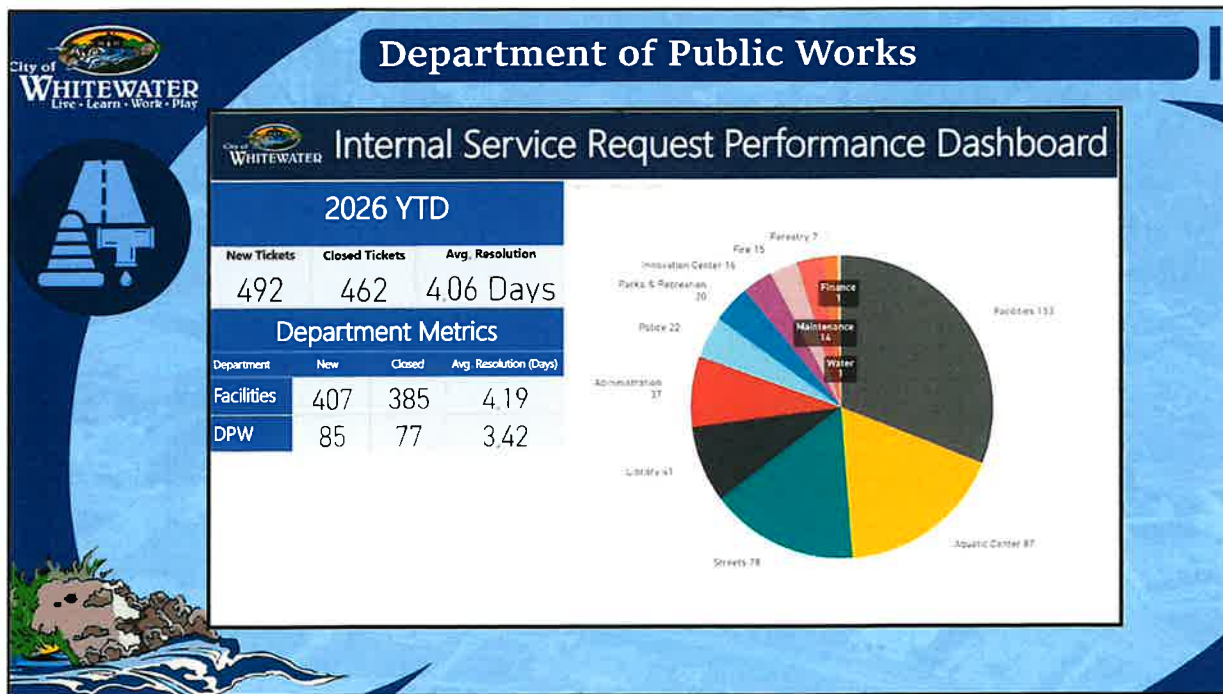




# City Manager's Report

with John Weidl

5/19/2026



**Highlights-**The dashboard above is currently in the infancy phase. We are working with IT to refine and develop specific areas

**Construction**

**STH 59/89 –** As of today, paving should be completed on STH 59 west of Janesville Street. The contractor will be working on shouldering, striping and signage. It is expected this section of the project will be back open to traffic shortly after Memorial Day.

**Putnam Street –** The contractor has completed the installation of water main and storm sewer and has begun to cut out the street for new base course with curb and gutter to follow.

**Jefferson Street –** We are still waiting on a final schedule from the contractor, but it is looking like work will begin on Jefferson Street, north of Starin Road the second week of June.

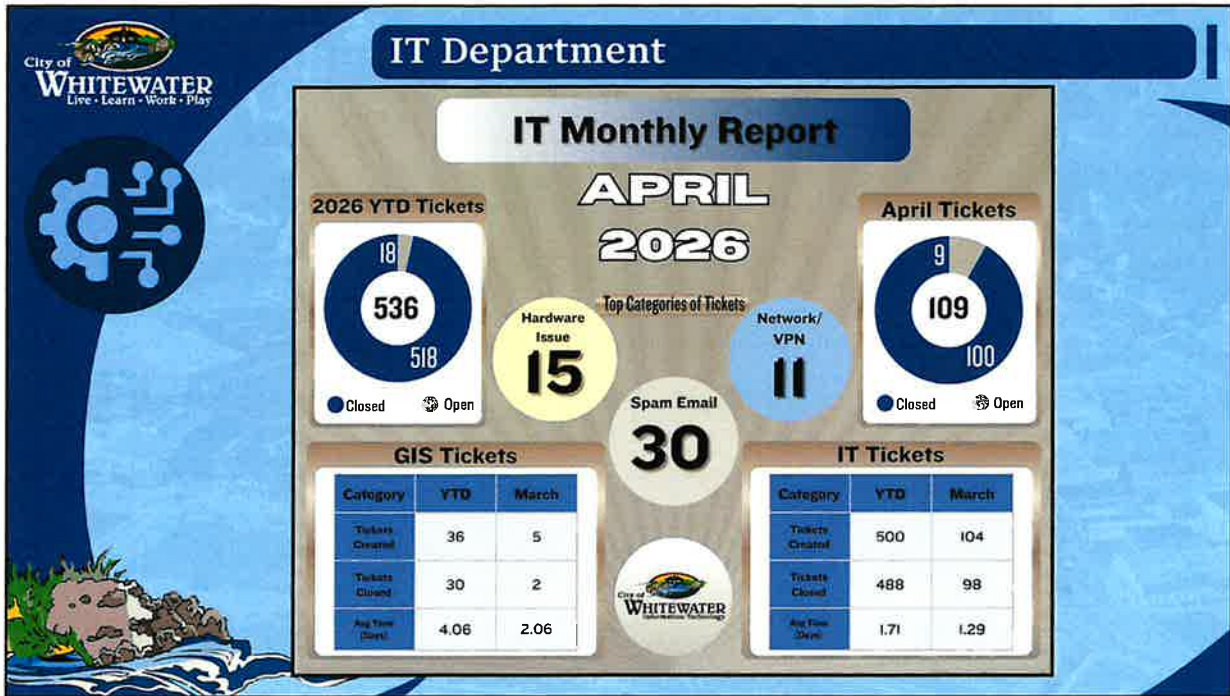
**For the Week of May 4, 2026**

In the Street Department staff worked on repairing the sidewalk in front of

**the Post Office, repaired the fuel pumping system at the Facility, removed graffiti at the Skate Park and continued with spring time activities such as: street sweeping, fountain prep work, mowing, ballfield prep, playground repairs. Other work included street light and sign repairs, repairing lawns damaged from snowplowing, tree planting and stump grinding.**

**In the Water Department staff installed a new hydrant and service valve that was damaged while providing water to fill fire tankers for a nearby fire. Upon excavation staff found all the bolts holding the valve in place in had rotted away. Staff also fixed a water main break on Universal Boulevard. Water meter replacements are still in progress along with some new meter sets. Results were received back from the required annual PFA's testing which showed a No Detect for the forever compounds in our drinking water.**

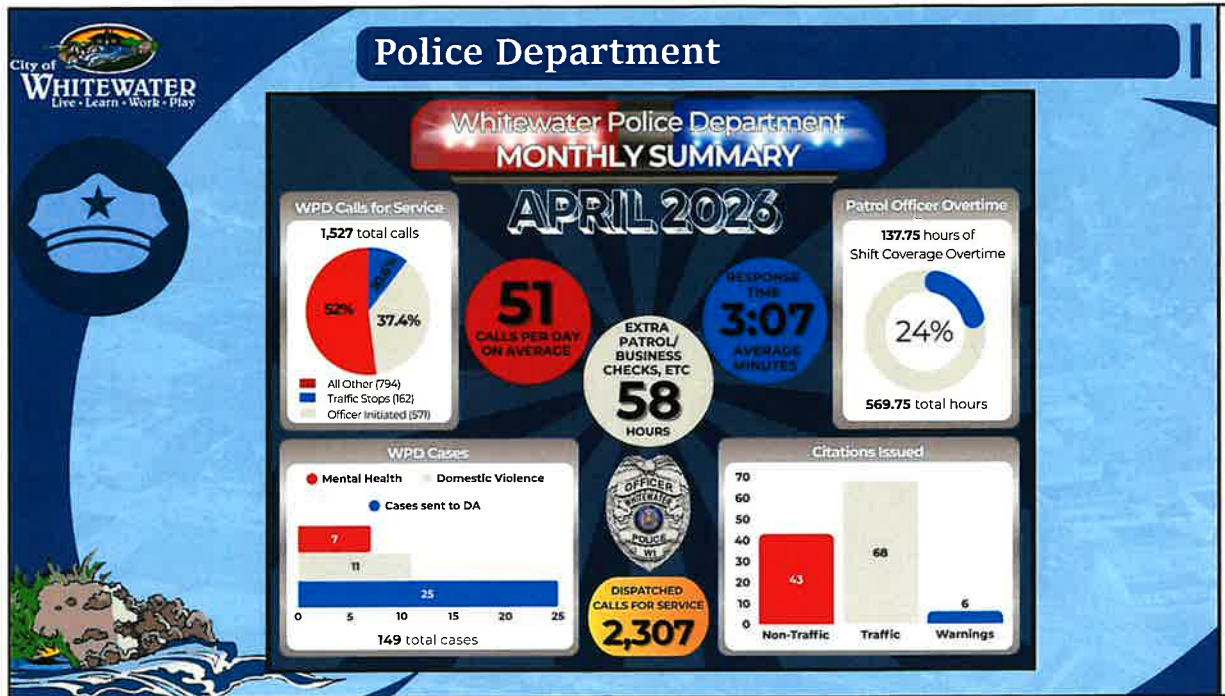
**In the Wastewater Department staff worked with a contractor on repairs to the plant generators. The sump pump was replaced on the Ortho Analyzer and the Primary scum pit was cleaned with a couple bad floats replaced. Biosolid hauling and land application was performed by our hired contractor. PFA sampling was sent in on the biosolids proactively to be in compliance with a proposed upcoming permit condition. As noted above, the City's drinking water has a No Detect for the PFA's compound. If any detect is found in the wastewater biosolids it is coming from industries that discharge to the system.**



***Highlights***

IT interviews are still underway for an IT director.

IT received 109 tickets. They closed 100 of those tickets.



**Highlights**

We'd like to congratulate Dispatcher Genevieve Grant who successfully completed CTO training. Her first shift working independently was...May 2<sup>nd</sup>!

PD staff worked extended hours and hosted a number of outside agencies to respond to the additional activity due to Spring Splash. Overall, we saw low levels criminal activity, with the majority of our contacts being municipal-level violations for disorderly behavior.

Congratulations to officers Houk,(Ha- Uk) Golembiewski( Go- lem- BYOO-Skee) and Moore who graduated from the law enforcement academy at WCTC. The training academy hands out three awards for every graduating academy class. We are proud to say that out of a total of 31 academy recruits our officers earned two of the three awards.

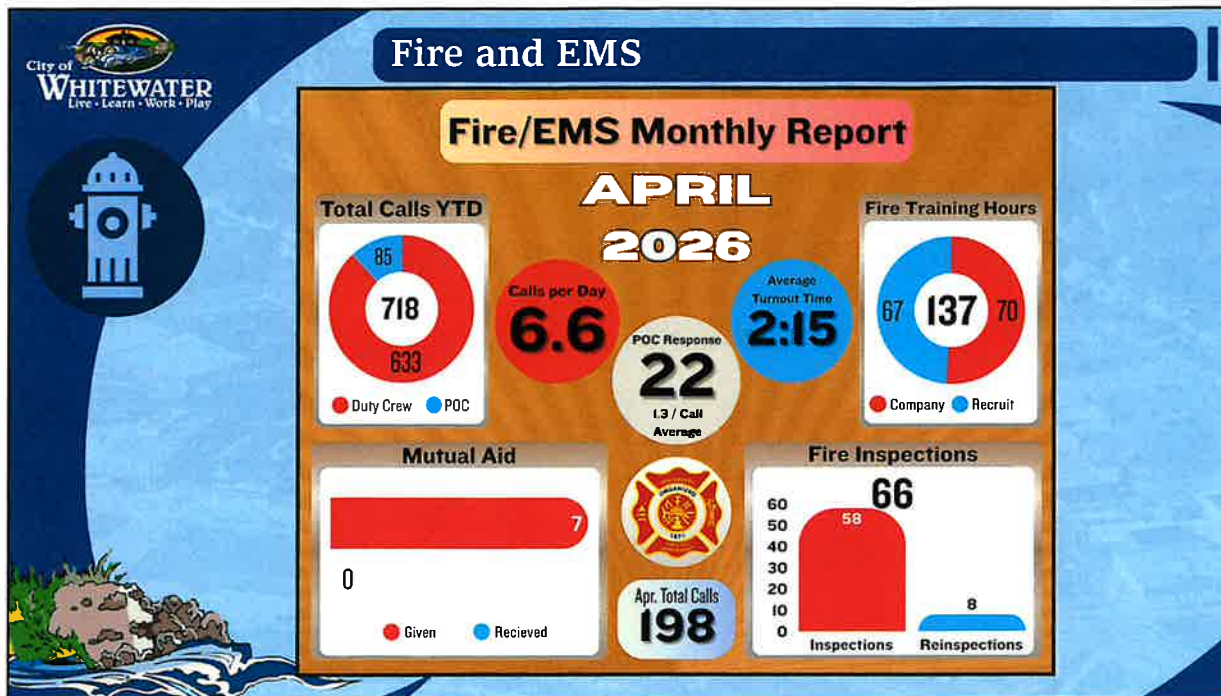
Congratulations Officer Adam Moore (Academic Award – for highest overall testing scores) and Officer Shane Houk (Leadership Award as voted on by the academy recruits)!

We are proud of all of you and excited to have you back in Whitewater starting field training.

**Details**

The Community Impact Team met to finalize our new Lethality Assessment Program to help officers determine if victims are at a greater risk of death from their domestic relationships during domestic violence investigations. The CIT group also prepared plans for the special event at Whitewater High School on May 30<sup>th</sup> (see flier) that will include a soccer game, a bike and scooter safety course, and some giveaways.

PD staff met with WWUSD safety staff to plan the upcoming tabletop training session at Whitewater High School.



### Highlights

#### **4/2-4/8**

Staff responded to 43 calls for service, making the daily average of 6.1 calls for service each day.

6 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 1.5 per call.

Mutual Aid was requested twice from Whitewater during this time, and we did not request Mutual Aid.

#### **4/9-4/15**

Staff responded to 54 calls for service, making the daily average of 7.1 calls for service each day.

6 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 1.8 per call.

Mutual Aid was requested twice from Whitewater during this time, and we did not request Mutual Aid.

#### **4/16-4/23**

Staff responded to 44 calls for service, making the daily average of 6.2 calls

for service each day.

5 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 0.4 per call.

Mutual Aid was requested 3 times from Whitewater during this time, and we did not request Mutual Aid.

**4/23-4/29**

Staff responded to 52 calls for service, making the daily average of 7.4 calls for service each day.

5 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 1.4 per call.

Mutual Aid was requested twice from Whitewater during this time.

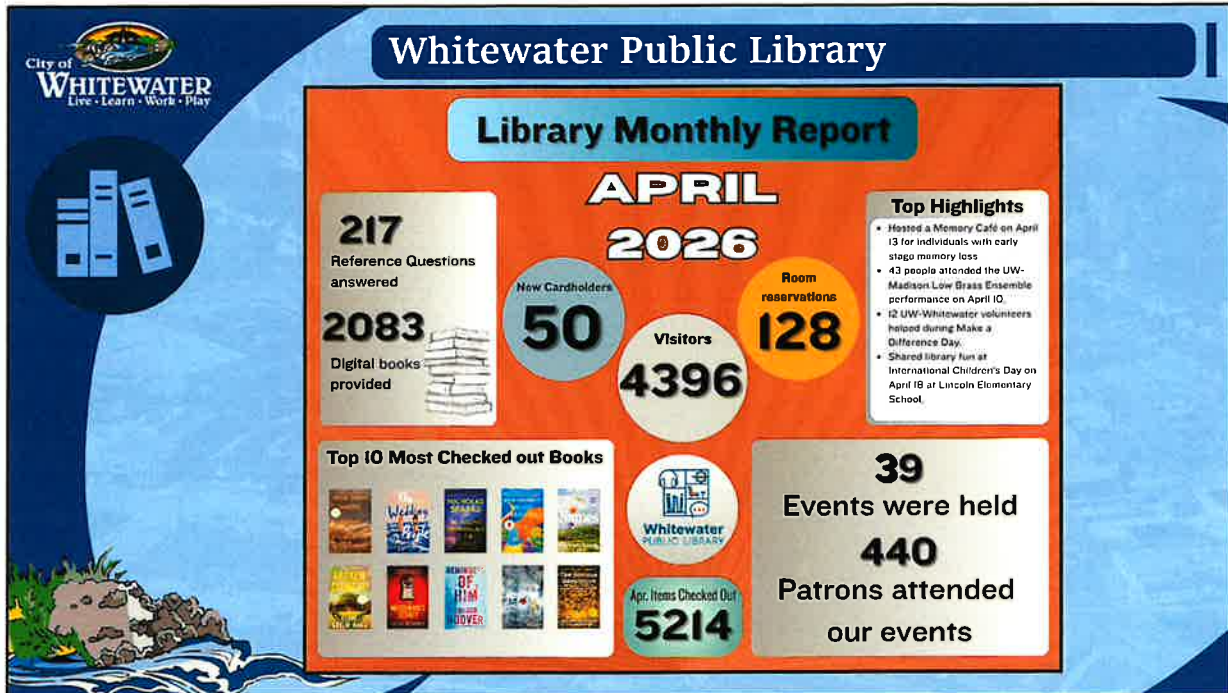
Whitewater requested Mutual Aid once but was cancelled prior to arriving on scene.

Staffing was increased to 9 due to Spring Splash. We staffed 3 ambulances, an Engine and the Battalion. Cost impact was \$4,000.

C Shift attended the Farmers Market provided free blood pressure checks, handed out water bottles and sticker to the kids and answered questions about the department.

Whitewater responded to Lakeside in Milton with an Engine for a working structure fire.

**Details**



### Highlights

- **The Wisconsin Library Association is now an official partner of the Sustainable Libraries Initiative (SLI)—a national organization dedicated to helping libraries lead in sustainability, resilience, and community impact. One of the partnership benefits is a one-year free SLI membership, which we have signed up for. This will connect our library with a national community of practice and provide us with practical tools for sustainable action in our library and community.**
- **The traveling exhibit World War I: Beyond the Trenches traveling exhibit from the Wisconsin Veterans Museum will be on display in the atrium May 11-June 8.**

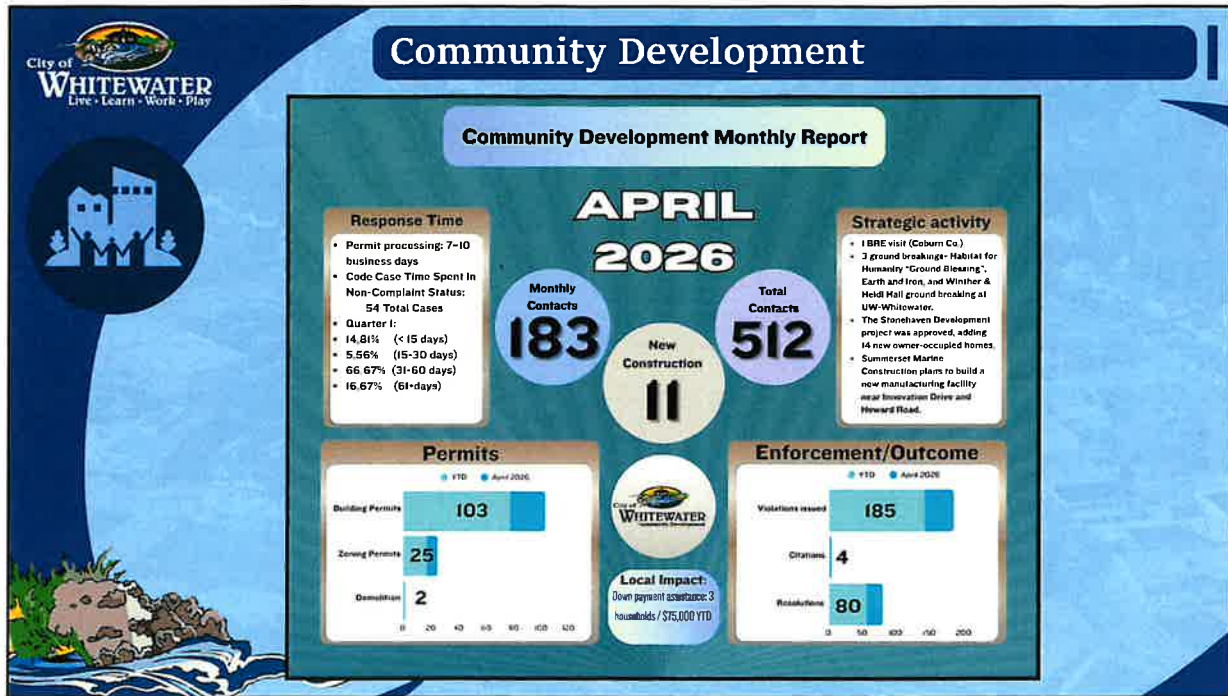
### Details

Toppers Pizza donated eight pizza coupons for our adult summer reading program.

Hunter Swanson participated in the S.T.E.A.M. Faire at the high school on May 9. Our Family Jams Program with Noelle Larson on Saturday, May 2 was very popular, with 35 attendees.

The Library Garden Club has a couple of great volunteers who are helping us transform the space to the right of the library's entrance into a children's garden. We were just given a bench, a composting bin, and a trellis which will be added to this area

Dan Buckingham built a Lego Wall for the children's department and installed it last week. It has been very popular!



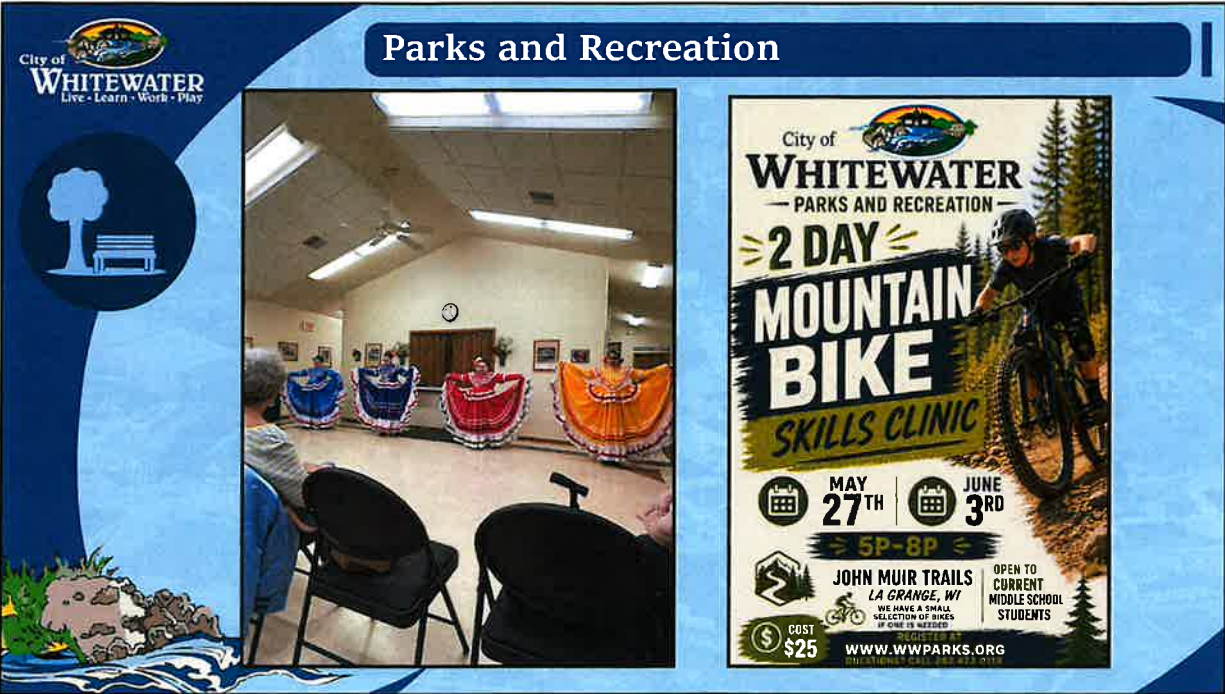
### Highlights

The Community Development Director and the Whitewater Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director recently conducted a Business Retention and Expansion visit to Provisur (PRO- vih-sur) Technologies,. Formerly known as Weiler and Company, the long-time Whitewater-area business employs approximately 180 people and manufactures food separation equipment. During the visit, the team met with Plant Manager Imad Hamdan (Ham- dan) to discuss workforce recruitment challenges and opportunities, collaboration with local educational institutions, and supply chain constraints.

The Community Development team attended the Southeastern Wisconsin Housing Summit in Milwaukee, coordinated by UW-Extension. Topics included state legislative housing updates, workforce development through housing, and creative financing programs. The event also provided networking opportunities with private developers, several of whom expressed interest in exploring potential opportunities in Whitewater.

Additionally, the Community Development Department recently streamlined

**the permitting process for new construction projects, major remodels, and additions. Through the City's iWorQ system, the Zoning Specialist implemented a new combined permit form that consolidates these requirements into a single application, simplifying the process and saving applicants time. The iWorQ Permit Request Portal is available on the City's website.**



**Highlights**

**Play For Trey Baseball Tournament -** Starin Park was the place to be this weekend as Whitewater proudly hosted the 10U–12U Tournament featuring an incredible 11 on April 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>, teams from across the area! Families, fans, and players packed the park for an action-filled weekend of baseball, community spirit, and summer fun.

**Starin Park Community Building** was filled with flavor, music, and celebration on Tuesday, May 5, as Seniors in the Park hosted a festive Cinco de Mayo Party! Guests enjoyed a delicious nacho bar, lively music, and an energetic performance by the Parks & Recreation Baile Folklorico (Folk- Lo-RICO) dancers.

**Ready to hit the trails?** Join Whitewater Parks & Recreation for a fun and exciting 2-Day Mountain Bike Skills Clinic at the beautiful John Muir Trails in La Grange! Designed for current middle school students, this clinic will help riders build confidence, improve trail skills, and learn mountain biking techniques in a supportive group environment. May 27<sup>th</sup> the excitement starts.

**Facilities:**

**Details**

WAFC Lap League Adult Swim Club- Dive into fitness with The Lap League at the Whitewater Aquatic & Fitness Center! This instructor-led adult swim club is perfect for anyone looking to improve endurance, build strength, and stay active in a supportive group environment.



### ***Highlights***

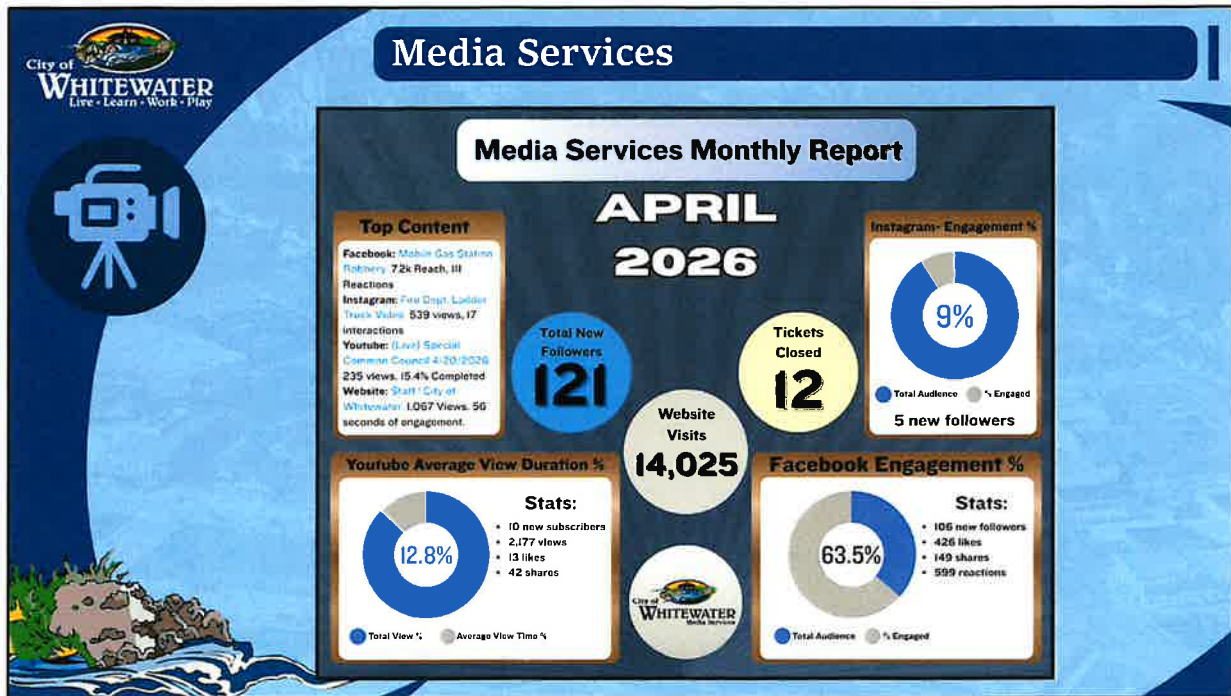
**On April 30, 2026, HR staff attended a UW-Whitewater Human Resource Management capstone project which examined the impact of rising healthcare costs on the City of Whitewater and provided recommendations to improve both fiscal sustainability and employee satisfaction. The report identified increasing healthcare premiums, employee frustration, and communication challenges as key concerns, and recommended exploring a defined contribution healthcare model, increasing transparency around healthcare cost sharing, and strengthening employee communication and involvement during benefit changes.**

**The “First Bites & Insights – Your Health Benefits Decoded” sessions were held on May 5 and May 7, with approximately 30 employees participating. Attendees learned strategies for maximizing the value of their health insurance benefits and had the opportunity to meet representatives from Self Fund Health, R&R Insurance, Solstice Health, Advocate MD, and Orthopaedic Associates of Wisconsin. The informational sessions also provided a chill atmosphere for employee engagement over pizza and chocolate.**

## **Anniversaries**

### **Retention**

**The City is accepting applications for a wide variety of positions right now. Please check out the employment website at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/whitewaterwi> for more information.**



***Highlights***

Media Services has been busy filming and editing. They are also preparing the mobile studio for summer events to ensure it is ready to go. In addition, the team received training on how to operate and navigate the new digital sign system.



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