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**Clearwell project alternatives are being sought**  
*City staff are working with the Department of Natural Resources*

**OSHKOSH, Wis., February 2, 2022** – City of Oshkosh Public Works staff have scheduled a meeting with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to further discuss all options available for the clearwell replacement project at the Oshkosh Water Filtration Plant. Given on-going conversations with the DNR, items relating to the clearwell replacement project are not going to appear on the Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> Common Council Agenda as previously scheduled. The items have been pulled by City Manager Mark Rohloff to allow time for further collaboration with the DNR to exhaust potential options before requesting any final Council direction and action on the project.

“While I do not want to raise expectations for new viable alternatives, staff recommends exhausting other potential options before bringing this forth to Council” said City Manager Rohloff. These additional discussions will determine if any other options for the clearwell project may be pursued. The items that were planned for Council consideration at the February 8<sup>th</sup> Common Council meeting included design specifications for the clearwell project and the formation of an ad hoc committee to provide input on landscaping and project aesthetic features. Council action on these items will be deferred until a later meeting date to be determined.

Additional information regarding the clearwell project, including background details, residents’ questions & the city’s answers, and residents’ opportunity to register comments, is available in the “Hot Topics” section of the city’s website, [www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us](http://www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us). For questions, please contact Assistant Public Works Director/Utilities General Manager Steve Gohde at (920) 236-5065 or the City Manager’s office at (920) 236-5002.

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