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Public Information Meeting to be held for Wastewater Utility Facility Plan
Information will be shared and discussed on November 29, 2022

OSHKOSH, Wis., November 15, 2022 – A Public Information Meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, at the Oshkosh Seniors Center – North Building Meeting Room (200 N. Campbell Road). This meeting is being held to provide information and discuss the 2022 – 2042 City of Oshkosh Wastewater Utility Facility Plan (Facility Plan) for the implementation of wastewater improvements to the City of Oshkosh Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and sanitary sewer collection system. The Facility Plan includes recommendations for phased improvements across many aspects of the Wastewater Utility necessary to maintain essential infrastructure and meet regulatory requirements over the next twenty (20) years.

The basic purpose of the Facility Plan is to assess the condition of the City of Oshkosh (City) sewerage system, establish system needs for improvement, evaluate options to address system needs, and identify cost-effective alternatives. Facility planning is required by several Federal, State, and regional authorities to determine the control and treatment requirements needed to meet various water quality goals.

In addition to updating its long-range plans for cost-effective Wastewater Utility infrastructure management, the City also prepared the Facility Plan in 2022 as part of its WWTP Wisconsin Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit compliance schedule to meet new lower effluent phosphorus limits. The Facility Plan must be approved by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources before the City can construct a new filtration facility at the WWTP that will be operated to reduce levels of phosphorus released to the environment by 2027.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend the Public Information Meeting to learn about the Facility Plan, submit questions, and provide comments. You may send any comments to the following e-mail address: DPW@ci.oshkosh.wi.us. All comments must be received by **Friday, December 2, 2022**.

A copy of the draft Facility Plan will be available by **Monday, November 21, 2022** at the following link: <https://www.ci.oshkosh.wi.us/PublicWorks/Documents/DraftWWTPFacilityPlan.pdf>. For more information about this meeting and the Wastewater Utility Facility Plan, please contact the Department of Public Works at (920) 236-5065.

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