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MEMORANDUM

To: Common Counsel

From: City of La Crosse Utilities

Date: 8/31/2022

Subject: Brickyard Ln & Millatti Ln Repairs - Narrative

Last august (2021) the City of La Crosse received a large rain event causing a washout in the drainage way south of the intersection of Brickyard Ln. and Millatti Ln. There is a gravel road that leads to the South East Booster station that supplies water pressures to the far South portion of the city. During this storm the access road was overrun with water and washed out, and required repairs. At the same time a sanitary manhole located in this drainage way was scoured out, but not damaged at this time.

A repair for the drainageway was planned, but due to contractor, and material availability, and weather, the repairs were not made last year (2021). Once the frost came out this spring (2022) the contractor began to make the emergency repairs. They began by removing the trees and brush from the work area, during that process it was noticed that one of the property lines extended further than it had been previously assumed. We paused work, and our city surveyor located the affected property lines. Once it was determined that the property lines would be a problem in their current location, we reached out to the home owners to discuss a land swap to trade this land that is necessary for us to convey the storm water, and to give them more useful land on the other side of their property.

Along with property issues, the residents in the adjoining properties raised their concerns for the flooding at the intersection of Millatti Ln and Brickyard Ln. This work had been planned to be completed in the future, but after meeting with the concerned citizens, Counsel person Neumann, and city staff, the decision was made to combine the work in the street, with the work in the drainageway. This however has expanded the scope of the project and requires us to solicit additional quotes.