

## CITY OF LA CROSSE UTILITIES

## **WATER - SEWER - STORM**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Board of Public Works

From: Bernard Lenz – Utility Manager

Date: 10-22-2018

**Subject:** Emergency Repair – Loomis St Sewer Failure

The Utility has experienced a failure of the Sanitary Main in Loomis St near North Street, causing a sinkhole and collapse of the roadway on October 15th. The sewer is fully blocked and cannot be reopened without replacement of the failed pipe. A temporary by-pass pumping system is in place to handle the back-up of sewage until a repair is made.

Immediate full replacement of the sewer main from the break to the nearest manhole is needed. Thus I am asking the Board declare this an emergency pursuant to Wis. Stat. secs. 62.15(1b).

The utility will hire a contractor to do the digging on a time and material basis. Our street department will repair the roadway and bill the Utility. Funding for the repairs will be the reasonability of the Sanitary Sewer Utility.

Thank You