

To: F & P Committee Members

August 7, 2025

From: Erin Goggin  
District 2- City Council

RE: Proposed Amendments to the 2026-2031 C.I.P Budget 25-0637

Dear F & P Committee Members:

This memo serves as documentation the motion that I will be proposing at the Finance and Personnel Meeting on Thursday August 5, 2025.

**C.I.P - #825 – Municipal Services Center – Brine Tank Addition**

Move from 2026 to unfunded  
-\$3,300,000 from General Borrowing (2026)

This project should be moved to the future to accommodate for a possible Municipal Services Compound being proposed in future borrowing. Aforementioned M.S.C should be considered as a separate debt issue and thus taken out of normal C.I.P. This way it will stand on its own so the public can understand the reasoning for such a huge expenditure. Similar to the La Crosse Center. This size project is outside the scope of our normal C.I.P process.

**C.I.P. - #1024 – Raised Intersections on 16<sup>th</sup> Street South**

Move from 2026 to unfunded  
-\$200,000 from General Borrowing(2026)  
-\$76,000 from Sanitary Sewer(2026)  
-\$150,000 from Storm Water (2026)  
-\$56,000 from Water Utility (2026)

The request is to make these intersections more “pedestrian friendly”. Has less expensive alternatives been explored or used.

**C.I.P #548- Copeland Park Shelter and Site Improvements**

Move 2027 funding to 2026  
+\$2,191,560 from General Borrowing (2027 to 2026)

This project was approved by the Park Board on February 2, 2020. This project has been languishing since then. The proposed would move the funding to 2026 to get this project completed. Riverside, Myrick and Copeland Parks are jewels in La Crosse that need to be maintained properly. Copeland Park is a revenue generator. These site improvements will make the shelters more accessible to the public and safer.

**C.I.P #980 – Fire Department Search and Rescue Prop**

Move from unfunded to 2026  
+\$180,000 to 2026

The life span of the current prop has lived long past its usefulness and is beyond repair. The age and experience of our Fire Department is shifting to a younger demographic, and the Department must be able to meet the ever-evolving training standards to keep them ready. Fire is currently unable to replicate the proper procedures and techniques required for search, rescue, and extraction that is needed to provide best practices. The new Search and Rescue Prop could also be used by Police Dept for K-9 training, ERT and forcible entry training (among other things).