

Wauwatosa, WI **Board of Public Works Meeting Agenda**

9:00 AM **Zoom Only:** https://servetosa.zoom.us/j/89415047159, Meeting ID: 894 1504 7159

Special Meeting

VIRTUAL MEETING INFORMATION

Members of the public may observe and participate in the meeting via Zoom only at the link above. To access the Zoom meeting via phone, call 1-312-626-6799 and enter the Meeting ID.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Friday, November 21, 2025

NEW BUSINESS

1.	Request by Donald Michna of Catalyst Construction for a three day full road closure in the 7400 block of Harwood Avenue	<u>25-2043</u>
2.	Request by Tom O'Sullivan of WE Energies for a partial road closure and	25-2243

lane closures within the 7400 block of Blanchard Street, the 1300 block of Wauwatosa Avenue, and the 7400 block of Harwood Avenue

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY

Persons with a disability who need assistance to participate in this meeting should call the City Clerk's office at (414) 479-8917 or send an email to tclerk@wauwatosa.net, with as much advance notice as possible.



Wauwatosa, WI

7725 W. North Avenue Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Staff Report

File #: 25-2043 Agenda Date: 11/21/2025 Agenda #: 1.

Request by Donald Michna of Catalyst Construction for a three day full road closure in the 7400 block of Harwood Avenue

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stilling

Department:

Public Works (Engineering Services Division)

A. Issue

The applicant has requested a full Harwood Avenue road closure within the 7400 block for a period of three days. The closure is tentatively scheduled for December 15-17, 2025.

B. Background/Options

The location of the proposed road closure is attached.

Once the rough carpentry is completed at the 7474 Harwood Avenue residential multi-family redevelopment, the south crane will be demobilized. To complete this process, a separate crane will be mobilized and erected within the roadway on Harwood Avenue in the designated purple-shaded area. This crane will then lift and load the south crane components onto flatbed trucks for removal. This operation will require the full width of the roadway to ensure a safe and controlled demobilization. The sidewalk on the south side of Harwood Avenue will remain open and accessible to pedestrians throughout the closure duration.

The applicant will be required to provide at least one week of notice to area businesses, the Village BID, and local Alderpersons. Engineering must be provided documentation of the notice.

Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) has a bus route that utilizes Harwood Avenue. The applicant will be required to coordinate with MCTS regarding detour routes.

In addition to the signage shown on the attached plan, Engineering recommends that the following must be provided:

- The left turn lane at southbound Wauwatosa Avenue to eastbound Harwood Avenue movement must be closed with the appropriate traffic control barrels and no left turn sign.
- A no right turn sign for northbound Wauwatosa Ave at Harwood Avenue.
- A "Local Traffic Only, No Access to Wauwatosa Ave" at the intersection of Milwaukee Avenue, Harwood Avenue, and N. 73rd Street.

Engineering provided the attached plan to the Fire and Police Department and Public Works Operations. Fire has requested that a Knox box be installed in the construction fencing so that the Department will still have

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access to the existing public fire hydrant within the closure. The Police Department did not have any concerns with the request. If it snows during the requested road closure, Public Works Operations will plow up to the construction fence, but the applicant will be required to clear any snow within the closure and any piles at the construction fence. When the enclosure is removed, the applicant will be required to coordinate with Public Works so that City crews can clean up and salt the area as it is opened to the public.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

Priority Area One: Economic Development & Financial Resilience

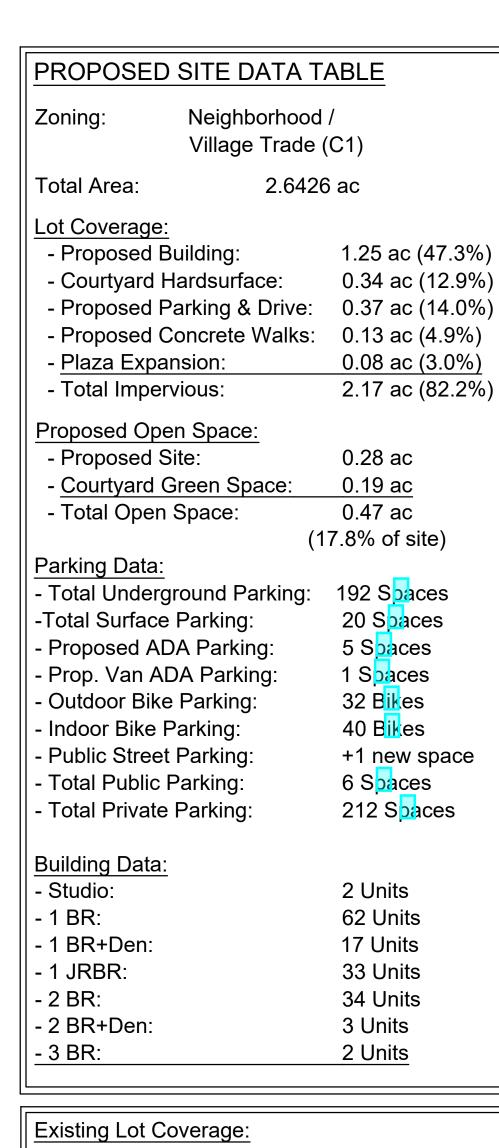
D. Fiscal Impact

No impact to the City of Wauwatosa.

E. Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Public Works grant the temporary three-day Harwood Avenue road closure subject to the following:

- The applicant providing documentation of notice to area businesses, Village BID, and local Alderpersons.
- Coordination with MCTS regarding detour routes.
- Applicant must provide the signage shown on the plan and as noted in this staff report. Signage must be maintained by the applicant during the road closure duration.
- A Knox box must be installed in the construction fencing for Fire Department access to the existing public fire hydrant within the closure.
- Applicant must clear any snow within the closure and any snow piles at the construction fence.



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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT NOTES:

STORM WATER MANAGEMENT:

- The proposed redevelopment will provide storm water management complying with MMSD Ch. 13 and Wauwatosa Ch. 24.13.040 requirements, including: - 40% TSS load reduction from parking and drive

- 10% Reduction to the Existing Runoff Release Rate - The primary means of storm water management will be underground pipe & structures in the parking areas.

- Stormwater runoff will discharge to the existing storm sewer in Harwood Avenue, consistent with the existing condition.

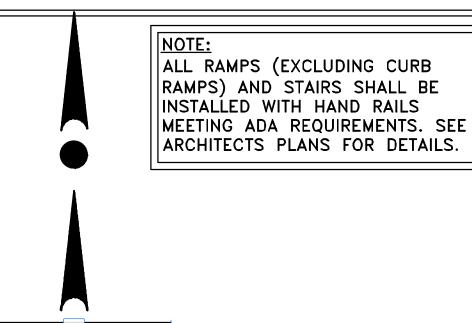
- SANITARY SEWER:

- Proposed 6" PVC sanitary sewer lateral connection to the Harwood Avenue sanitary sewer.

- WATER MAIN:

SCALE: 1" = 20' (30"X42")

- Proposed 6" water service connecting to the Harwood Avenue water main.



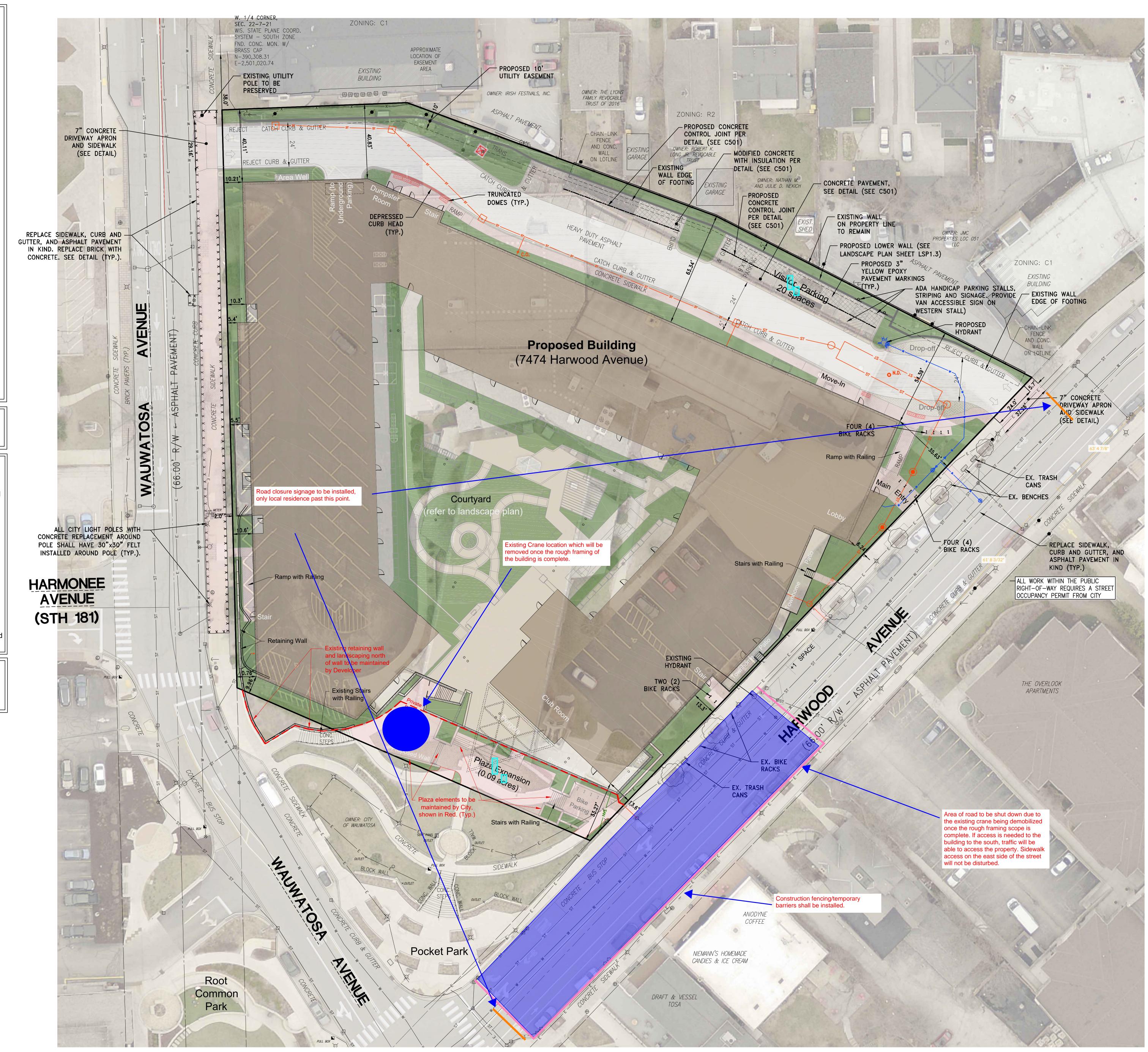
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CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO CONTACT DIGGERS HOTLINE TOLL FREE TO OBTAIN LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES PRIOR TO COMMENCING THE WORK. WISCONSIN STATUTE 182.0715 REQUIRES MIN. OF 3 WORK DAYS NOTICE BEFORE YOU EXCAVATE. CALL DIGGERS HOTLINE 1-800-242-8511

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PROPOSED STORM INLET

EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITY INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED FROM AVAILABLE RECORDS. THE ENGINEER MAKES NO GUARANTEE AS TO THE ACCURACY OF THIS INFORMATION. VERIFICATION TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE CONTRACTOR OF ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, WHETHER OR NOT SHOWN ON THE PLANS, SHALL BE ASSUMED AS A CONDITION OF THE CONTRACT. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE ENGINEER OF ANY DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN LOCATION OF UTILITIES IN THE FIELD AND LOCATIONS SHOWN ON THE PLANS.





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PROJECT: 7474 HARWOOD 7474 HARWOOD BLVD WAUWATOSA, WI 53213

OWNER: THREE LEAF PARTNERS 504 WEST JUNEAU MILWAUKEE, WI 53203

ARCHITECT: KORB + ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS 648 N. PLANKINTON AVE, SUITE 240 MILWAUKEE, WI 53203

CIVIL ENGINEER: TRIO ENGINEERING 4100 N CALHOUN RD STE 300 BROOKFIELD, WI 53005

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT: INSITE DESIGN INC. 11525 W NORTH AVE WAUWATOSA, WI 53226

DATE REVISION 8.30.24 DESIGN DEVELOPMENT 10.1.24 PERMIT / GMP PACKAGE 10.31.24 CITY COMMENTS 12.18.24 CONSTRUCTION DOCS 01.14.25 PER CITY COMMENTS 02.06.25 LOGISTICS PLAN REV. 03.05.25 per CITY COMMENTS 03.10.25 per CITY COMMENTS 04.03.25 per CITY COMMENTS 04.07.25 TRAFFIC SIGNAGE 04.18.25 per CITY COMMENTS 04.25.25 per CITY COMMENTS 05.22.25 per L.S. Plan Comments 05.29.25 CB-07

PROJ. NO. 24004.01 SCALE: 1" = 20' TYP. PHASE: CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS DATE: 05.29.2025

> PROPOSED SITE PLAN

Jennifer Stilling

From: Donald Michna <dmichna@catalystbuilds.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 20, 2025 6:47 AM

To: Jennifer Stilling; Mark Hammond

Subject: [External] Vista Village Harwood Shutdown for Crane Demobilization

Attachments: C102_ Harwood Ave Closure.pdf

Jennifer / Mark,

I stopped by Anodyne Coffee, Niemann's Candy, and Draft & Vessel yesterday and spoke with the owners/managers who were onsite. I informed them of Catalyst's planned road closure scheduled for 12/15–12/17 and reviewed the attached traffic control plan with each business. All three businesses understood the shutdown timeline and appreciated that sidewalk access will remain open. I also explained that signage will be placed to clearly indicate that all businesses remain open during the closure. A few clarifying questions were raised regarding parking availability for their patrons. I confirmed that customers will still have access to the existing public parking lots and nearby street parking. Beyond ensuring adequate signage during the shutdown, none of the businesses had additional concerns or objections.

Please let me know if this outreach and feedback is sufficient to move forward with the planned road closure or if you have any other questions.

Thank you,



Donald Michna | Project Manager

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Wauwatosa, WI

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Staff Report

File #: 25-2243 Agenda Date: 11/21/2025 Agenda #: 2.

Request by Tom O'Sullivan of WE Energies for a partial road closure and lane closures within the 7400 block of Blanchard Street, the 1300 block of Wauwatosa Avenue, and the 7400 block of Harwood Avenue

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stilling

Department:

Public Works (Engineering Services)

A. Issue

The applicant has requested partial road and lane closures within the streets abutting the proposed Harlow and Hem development at 7470 Blanchard Street. The closures are necessary to relocate the existing electrical facilities within the former City public parking lot to the adjacent streets. The existing electrical facilities must be relocated so that the developer, Mandel Group, can start construction on the Harlow and Hem multi-family development.

B. Background/Options

The applicant has provided the attached exhibits and construction schedule. Sarah Hillenbrand of Mandel Group has provided the attached memorandum that summaries the outreach to the Village Business Improvement District (BID), local Village businesses, and elected officials. Staff received the attached e-mail with comments from the Village BID director.

C. Strategic Plan (Area of Focus)

Priority Area One: Economic Development & Financial Resilience

D. Fiscal Impact

No financial impact to the City of Wauwatosa

E. Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board of Public Works grant the Phase 1 road closure in Blanchard shown in green on the attached exhibits and subject to the following:

• The applicant continuing to coordinate and communicate with local Alderpersons, City Engineering,

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the Village BID, and local business regarding updates to the construction schedule.

- Applicant must provide the signage shown on the plan. Signage must be maintained by the applicant during the construction duration.
- Applicant must clear any snow within the closures.

It is up to the Board to allow the construction staging within Wauwatosa Avenue for Phase 2 shown in blue during December 15-January 9. The applicant will be asked to provide greater clarity regarding the proposed traffic control for this phase.

Staff does not have any objections to allowing Phases 3 and 4 subject to the same conditions as noted above for Phase 1 with the added condition that the applicant must coordinate with MCTS regarding any necessary detour routes.



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November 19, 2025

City of Wauwatosa Board of Public Works 11100 W Walnut Road Wauwatosa, WI 53226

Re: Neighborhood Outreach Related to WE Energies Power Relocation

Dear Members of the Board of Public Works,

On behalf of Mandel Group and our project team, I would like to provide an update regarding our ongoing outreach to neighboring businesses and stakeholders in advance of the WE Energies power relocation work associated with the Harlow & Hem apartment development.

We recognize this is a critical time for Village businesses and are very mindful of the impact that roadwork can have during the holiday season. The utility work will require temporary street closures and intermittent traffic disruptions along Blanchard Street, Wauwatosa Avenue, and Harwood Avenue. While construction is never convenient, we are doing everything we can to proactively listen to concerns and accommodate stakeholders where possible.

To that end, we have adopted a deliberate communication strategy to ensure nearby businesses are informed and supported throughout the process. Over the past week, our outreach has included the following:

- BID Board Monthly Meeting Provided an update on the anticipated work, received feedback, and adjusted the work plan accordingly so that work begins on Blanchard Street instead of Harwood Avenue.
- Maria Panno Discussed collaborating on a communication plan for social media and additional signage to ensure a consistent message.
- Jim Niemann (Niemann Candies) Expressed support provided that work on Harwood Avenue begins after January 1st.
- Nat Davauer (Draft & Vessel) Prefers Harwood Avenue work begin after January 1st; offered use of the Swan building for signage such as "Businesses Open During Road Work."
- Sierra Tillman (Anodyne Coffee) Appreciated the outreach and is comfortable with Harwood Avenue work occurring after January 1st.
- Brooke Smith (Ruby Tap) Would like the work to proceed as expeditiously as possible.
 Requested signage at the corner stating "Public Parking Still Available in State Street Station Garage; Enter from 74th Street," and wants to ensure that wine case pickup for customers can continue to be accommodated.
- Kelley Karp (manager Orange Theory) Communicated that work Blanchard Street is scheduled to be completed in December, in recognition that January is typically a busier time for a gym. She is great with this schedule.

- City Staff (Jennifer Stilling and Mike Steiner) Held a working session with City staff and WE Energies to review the latest construction plan and obtain feedback.
- **Alderman Brad Foley** Reviewed our ongoing outreach efforts and addressed questions.
- Alderman Margaret Arney Currently traveling; suggested contacting Eva Enamorato for feedback on communication.
- **Eva Enamorato** Reached out for feedback on communication; have not connected yet.
- Melissa Dolan Reached out for feedback on outreach efforts; have not connected yet.
- Adriana Perez (Fiduciary Multi-Site Manager State Street Station) Provided an update on the current plan and anticipated timing.
- Carl & Margaret Komp (Blanchard neighbors) Provided an update on the current plan and anticipated timing.

Throughout these conversations, we have emphasized our commitment to minimizing disruption wherever feasible and to keeping businesses informed at each step. We will continue to provide advance notice of changes to access routes, construction timing, and staging areas, and we will work closely with WE Energies, the City, and our contractors to respond promptly to any issues that arise.

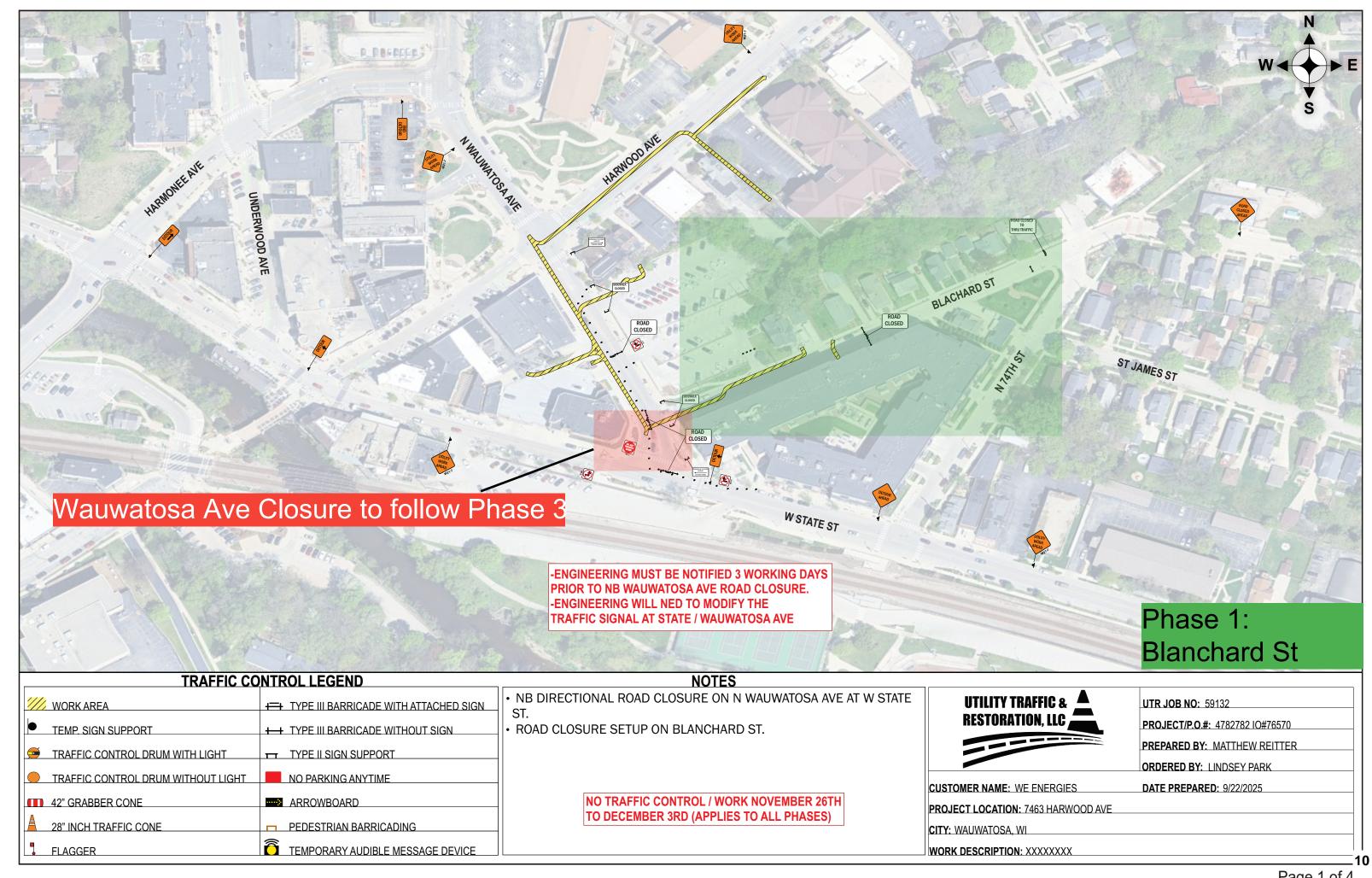
We value our partnership with the City of Wauwatosa and appreciate the support of the Board of Public Works as we move this important infrastructure work and development project forward. Please feel free to contact me at any time should you require additional information or wish to review our outreach log or communication materials.

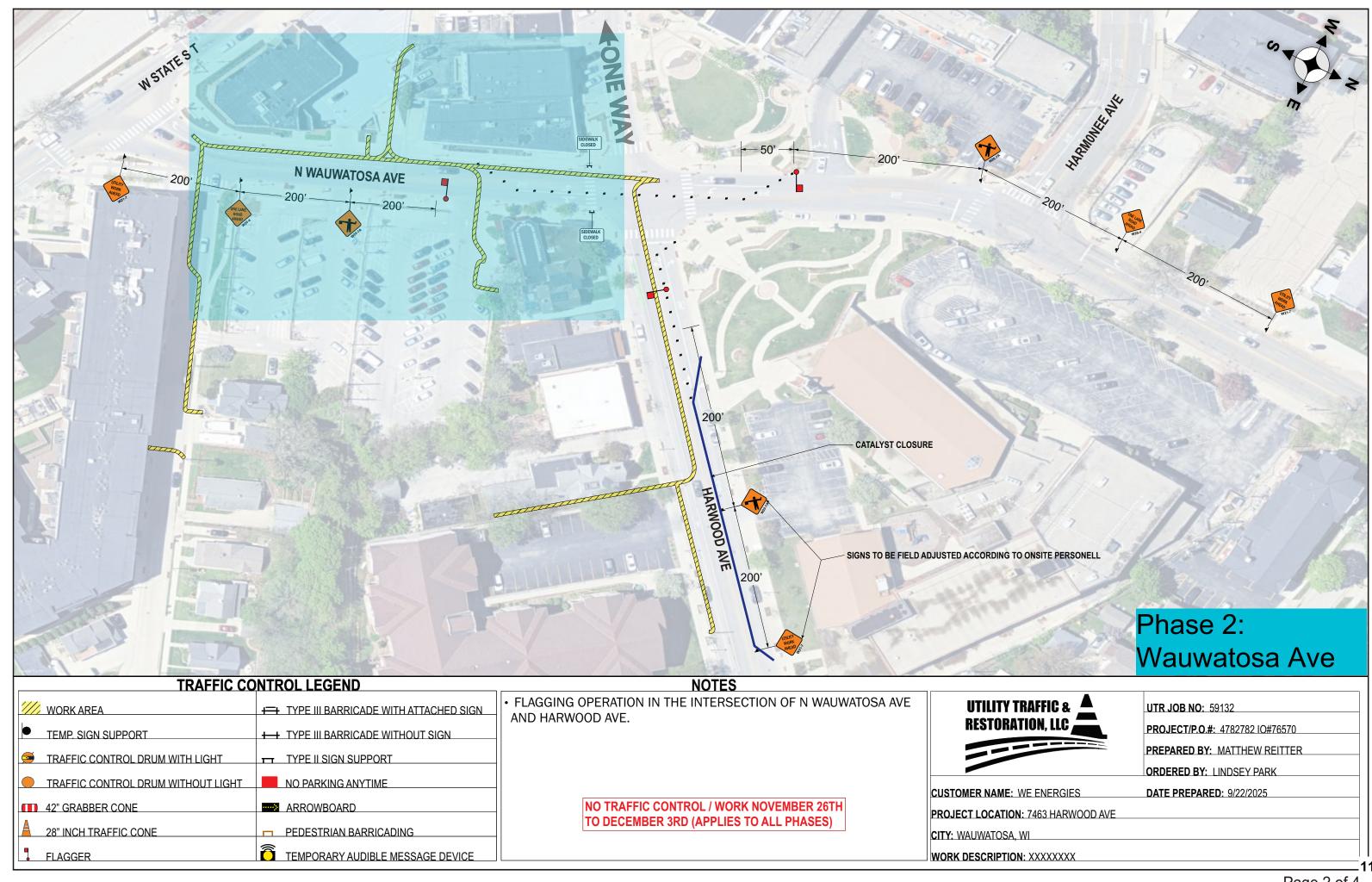
Thank you for your consideration and continued collaboration.

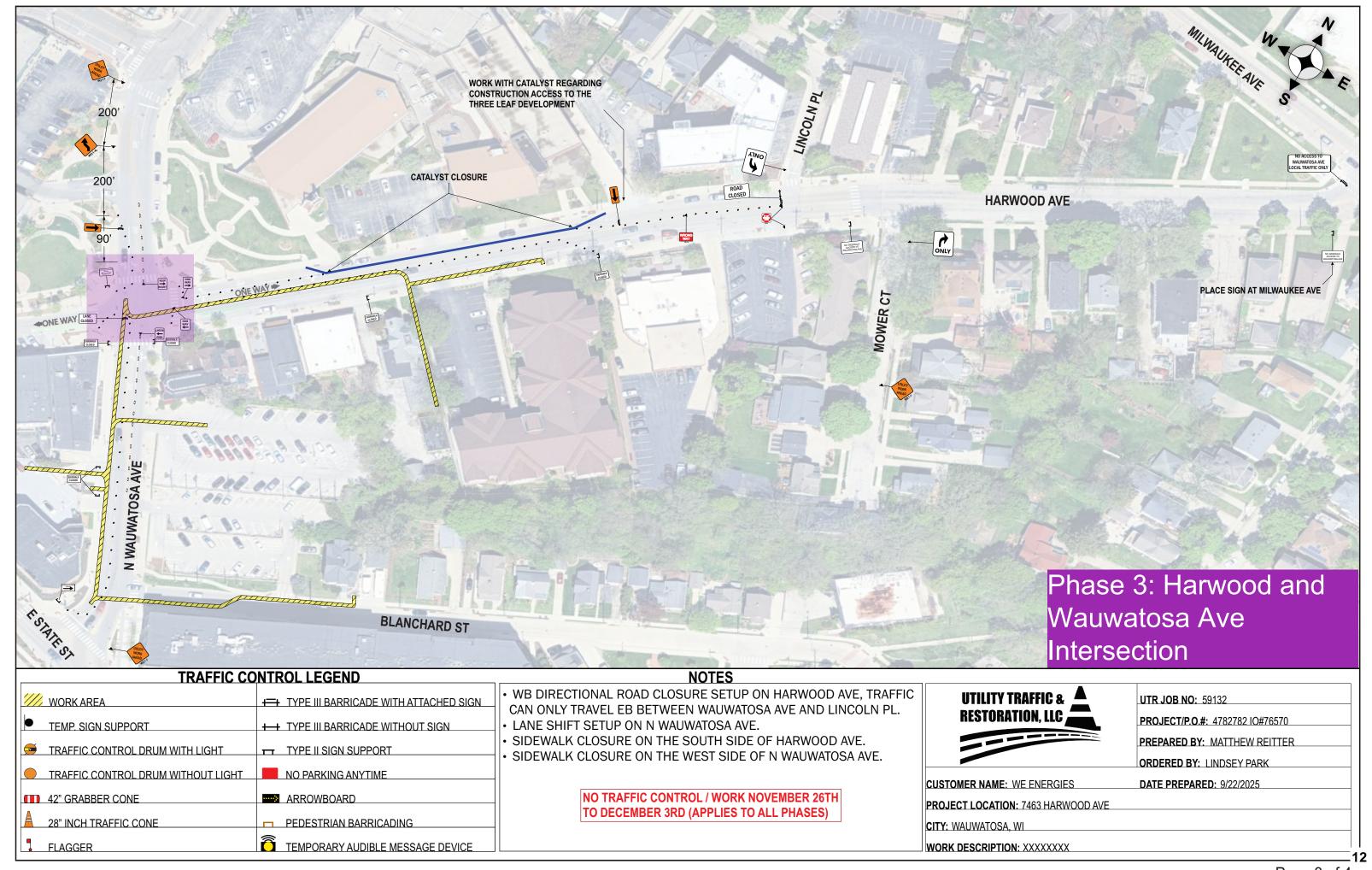
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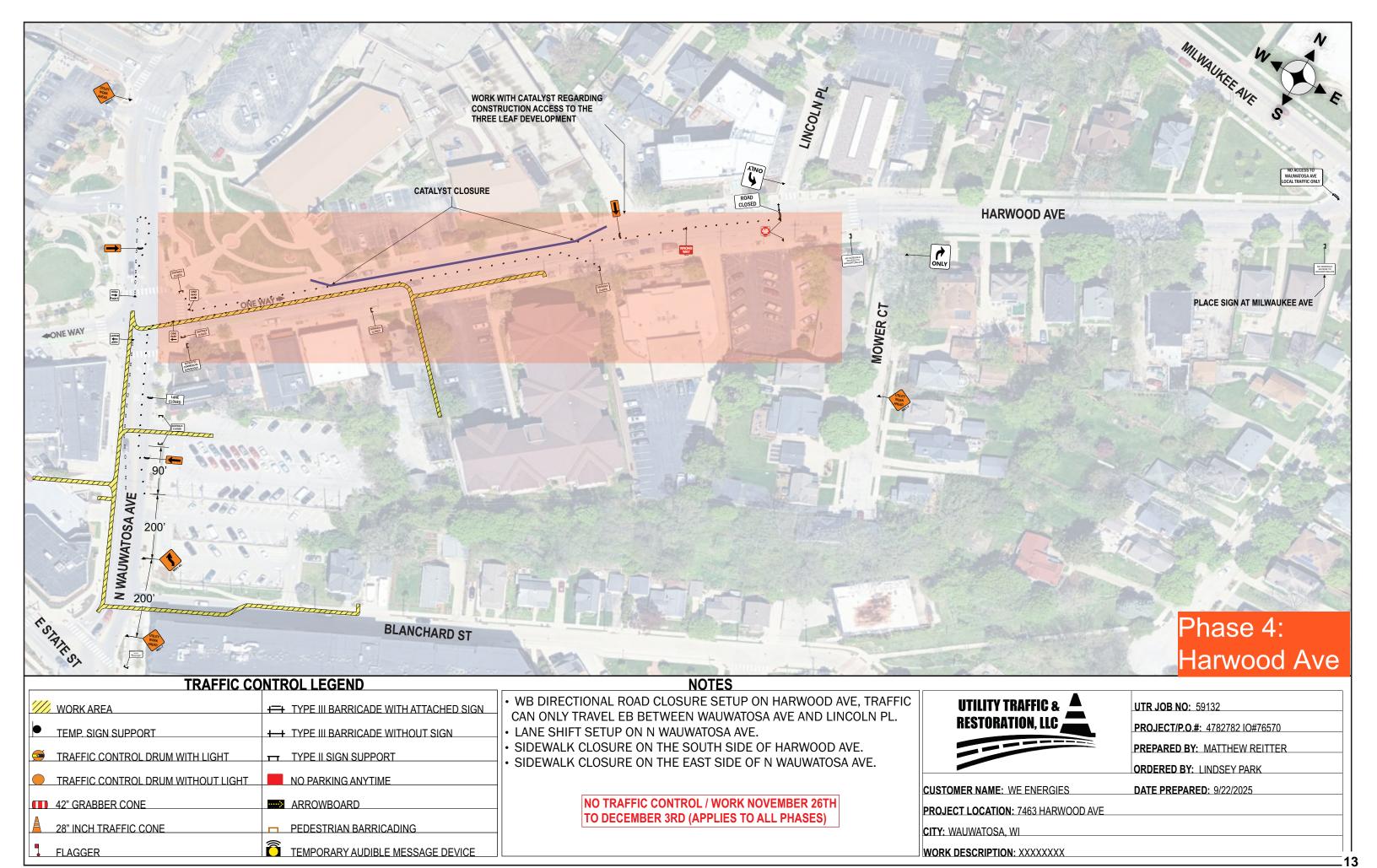
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Sarah Hillenbrand Senior Development Manager Mandel Group









2025

DECEMBER

MONDAY

CALENDAR YEAR

CALENDAR MONTH

FIRST DAY OF WEEK

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
01	02	03 Tree Lighting & Cookie Trail	04	05	06	07
		Harwood and Wauwatosa Aves 3:30pm-7pm				
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
		Holiday Train Stop ∼3:30pm start State St	Sip and Stroll			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Catalyst Crane proposed date	Catalyst Crane proposed date	Catalyst Crane proposed date				
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09	10	11	12	13	14 Valentines Day	15

Phases	Work Description	Length
Phase 1		
Blanchard St	Conduit work on Blanchard	2 weeks
Wauwatosa Ave & Blanchard St Intersection	Get the conduits across Wauwatosa Ave, access manhole, and open back up for traffic.	1 week
Phase 2 Wauwatosa Ave to State St	Head North on Wauwatosa Ave, starting north of MH72- 691 (near State St.) and returning at a later date to complete connection	2-3 weeks
Phase 3 Harwood/Wauwatosa Ave Intersection	Get conduits connected into manhole MH72-689 and head east to get out of intersection at Harwood and Wauwatosa	1 week
Phase 4 Harwood Ave	start at middle of intersection at Harwood and Wauwatosa and work our way N/E to pole riser. With that, the traffic control on Wauwatosa would only be needed 3 days, while Harwood is restricted.	2 weeks
	Conduit heading S/E on private property	2 weeks

Jennifer Stilling

From: Maria Panno <director@wauwatosavillage.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 4:12 PM
To: Jennifer Stilling; Mark Hammond; Mike Steiner

Subject: [External] Fwd: misc communication

Hi Jen, Mark, and Mike,

I hope you're all having a fabulous Wednesday; the sunshine today sure beats yesterday's rain!

You'll see that I've forwarded you an email from Mandel Group with their most recent interactions with the businesses and other folks impacted by the construction. I also see that you, Mike and Jen, had communications with Sarah about this as well which is great. I want to make it clear that the message conveyed to businesses, as well as what Sarah said at our last BID board meeting, when questioning the timing on the shutdowns was, "the city is pushing us to do this."

The businesses have made it clear that they double, if not triple their monthly sales in December in comparison to other months. The impact is pretty great and I don't appreciate the false advertising to the businesses as to why the shutdowns *need* to happen at simply the busiest time of the year.

When I lived in Chicago, one of my clients had a bank built right off Ohio in the city. If you're not familiar with the area, that's the heart of where you come in off the expressway. For whatever reason, the telephone lines had to go under the street and this was at the end of November. They ended up doing the work on third shift so that it had the least amount of impact on the traffic and businesses. I'm not sure that this is a possibility, but I don't believe it's been discussed for this piece of the project for Mandel.

Our retail in the Village most often maintains a 10 am to 5 pm schedule, so the thought of "being out of the way when the people come to the Village," isn't true. The Village is busy all day, not just in the evenings. Don't get me wrong, I'm in full support of having a lot more residents in our area to help support all of the businesses in the Village. The timing just isn't ideal.

If you have any questions on this or would like to talk further, I'm happy to stop in City Hall, on Zoom, the phone, or whatever is easiest. The Village BID wants *everyone* to win!

Cheers to small local business,

Maria

Maria Panno 414-297-9285 o 630-728-3107 c Wauwatosa Village BID 7603A W. State St. Wauwatosa, WI 53213 www.wauwatosavillage.org

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----- Forwarded message ------

From: Sarah Hillenbrand <<u>shillenbrand@mandelgroup.com</u>>

Date: Wed, Nov 19, 2025 at 11:25 AM

Subject: misc communication

To: Maria Panno director@wauwatosavillage.org

Maria – I've been able to touch base with all of these people below in the last 24 hours. Nat is good with hanging signage on the Swan building. And both Orange Theory and Ruby Tap would like signage saying State Street Station parking is open, accessible from 74th. We have a little time but lets please discuss what exactly you'd like these signs to say.

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