City of Stoughton, 207 S Forrest Street, Stoughton WI 53589

RESOLUTION FROM THE UTILTIES COMMITTEE TO THE STOUGHTON COMMON COUNCIL			
Authorizing and directing the proper City official(s) to authorize Stoughton Utilities to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant on behalf of the City of Stoughton			
Committee Action:	Utilities Committee recommended Common Council approval 7-0		
Fiscal Impact:	None		
File Number:	R-160-2020	**Date Introduced:**	October 27, 2020

The City of Stoughton, Wisconsin, Common Council does proclaim as follows:

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), in collaboration with the Department of Administration and the Public Service Commission, established the Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program to assist municipalities in their efforts to replace private LSLs; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020, the Common Council of the City of Stoughton declared that lead and galvanized private-side water service lines are a public nuisance and are subject to abatement; and

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2020 the Common Council of the City of Stoughton has found that it is in the public interest for the water utility to maintain a comprehensive program for the removal and replacement of lead pipe water service lines in use or may be used in the City of Stoughton and connected to the public water utility's distribution system; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Stoughton, Wisconsin, a municipal corporation, to file applications for state financial assistance for its program to replace the LSLs within the City of Stoughton; and

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2020, the Common Council of the City of Stoughton named the Stoughton Utilities Director and/or the Stoughton Director of Finance/Comptroller as Authorized Representatives to file applications for financial assistance from the State of Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2020 the Stoughton Utilities Committee approved and recommended to the Stoughton Common Council that Stoughton Utilities be authorized to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant on behalf of the City of Stoughton; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Stoughton Common Council that Stoughton Utilities be authorized to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant on behalf of the City of Stoughton.

Council Action: ☐ **Adopted** ☐ **Failed** **Vote:** _____

Mayoral Action: ☐ **Accept** ☐ **Veto**

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Mayor Tim Swadley Date

Council Action: _____ ☐ **Override** **Vote:** _____

Authorizing Stoughton Utilities to Apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant: Stoughton Utilities staff presented and discussed the upcoming Private Lead Service Line Replacement Program grant opportunity offered by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and Stoughton Utilities' intent to apply for the grant to help fund the planned upcoming 2021 systemwide lead service line replacement program. Discussion followed.

Motion by Jenson, the motion seconded by Hirsch, to approve authorizing Stoughton Utilities to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant, and recommend the approval and adoption of the corresponding resolution to the Stoughton Common Council on October 27, 2020. The motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Mayor Swadley and Utilities Director Weiss left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Status Update: Lead Service Line Replacement Programs: This item was tabled until the next meeting.

Status Update: Customer Collections: Stoughton Utilities staff presented and discussed an update on the current status of customer collections as a result of the COVID-19 public health crisis, and the status of current customer delinquencies. Staff informed the committee that SU has not completed any residential electric service disconnections since October 2019 and has not completed any water service disconnections since February 2020. Staff further informed the committee that commercial service disconnections resumed October 1, that the annual tax roll process began on October 15, and that customer delinquencies are approximately four times the amount they were at this time last year. Discussion followed.

Stoughton Utilities Environmental Sustainability: This item was tabled until the next meeting.

Utilities Committee Future Agenda Items: Staff informed the committee that upcoming meeting topics include the lead service line replacement program status update and the environmental sustainability discussion items that were tabled at tonight's meeting. Additional upcoming items include discussion regarding possible alternative options for progressing with the lead service line replacement program in 2021 in the case that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) grant is not received, and the WDNR response to our submitted 2019 Wastewater Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR). Discussion followed.

Adjournment: Being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the regular Stoughton Utilities Committee Meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Brian R. Hoops
Stoughton Utilities Assistant Director

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Stoughton Utilities

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Date: October 13, 2020

To: Stoughton Utilities Committee

From: Jill M. Weiss, P.E.
Stoughton Utilities Director

Subject: Authorizing Stoughton Utilities to Apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant

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Funding is not limited to disadvantaged municipalities; any municipality that has reported private lead or galvanized service lines to the PSC will be eligible to apply. The Safe Drinking Water Loan Program is not able to award funds directly to individual homeowners. Awards will only cover construction costs, as well as up to $5,000 for costs related to developing a mandatory replacement ordinance.

Awards will be 100% principal forgiveness and will be made for one construction season at a time. Funding is also available for LSL replacements completed during the previous construction season as long as the replacements meet the necessary federal requirements to be eligible

It is requested that the Stoughton Utilities Committee approve and recommend to the Stoughton Common Council at their October 27, 2020 meeting that Stoughton Utilities be authorized to apply for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Private Lead Service Line (LSL) Replacement Program Funding Grant on behalf of the City of Stoughton.

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