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The Honorable Mayor Dan Devine  
and Members of the Common Council  
7525 W. Greenfield Avenue  
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Dear Mayor Devine and Common Council Members:

Pursuant to the Traffic Violation and Accident Investigation and Reporting policy, the Safety & Training Coordinator is required to report to the Common Council all traffic violations and accidents. Said report is to include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Accident date.
2. Department/Division/Office affected.
3. A summary of the incident.
4. Action taken by the Department Head.

Attached are the quarterly reports for Public Works, Police, and Fire, which cover the period July 1, 2012 through September 30, 2012.

If you have any questions or desire further information, please feel free to contact Linda Huske or me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul M. Ziehler".

Paul M. Ziehler,  
City Administrative Officer, Clerk/Treasurer

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cc: Mayor Devine  
All Alderpersons  
Public Works, Police, Fire Dept. Heads  
Linda Huske

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**QUARTERLY TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND ACCIDENT REPORT FORM**

**Department of Public Works**

**July 1, 2012 – September 30, 2012**

<b>Accident Date</b>	<b>Department/Division/Office Affected</b>	<b>Incident Summary</b>	<b>Disciplinary Action</b>	<b>History</b>
07-17-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was removing the sidewalk grinder off the truck. He slipped off the tailgate, pulling the grinder off the truck. He did not lower the tailgate all the way to the floor before removing the grinder. Grinder wheel damaged.	No Action  Repair cost - \$65.33	02-24-12 accident, no action taken.  06-02-11 accident, Step 1 verbal written warning.  02-22-11 accident, no action taken.  09-01-10 accident, no action taken.  (15 accidents/22 years, 4 months of service.)
07-17-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee backed across the DPW yard parking lot into a stationary storage bin.	No Action	No previous accidents in last two years.  (2 accidents/16 years, 3 months of service.)
07-24-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Truck driver candidate hit a concrete wall in an alley while doing a backing maneuver with Packer 806.	N/A	N/A
07-26-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee broke the compactor carriage on the front of #711, while turning around to approach an asphalt cut.	No Action  Repair cost – \$785.92	08-23-11 accident, no action taken.  (2 accidents/3 years, 9 months of service.)
07-27-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Applicant hit a traffic barrel with Packer 806 during a driving test.	N/A	N/A
08-07-12	Forestry Division	Employee was using a weed whacker on 102 Street and National Avenue and kicked up a rock, which struck the driver's side front door window, breaking it.	No Action  Repair cost - \$812.00	No previous accidents in last two years.  (1 accident/4 years of service as summer temporary employee.)
08-16-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was turning up an alley and struck two landscape blocks. Questionable if the blocks were encroaching on alley right-of-way. Officer was going to check.	No Action	02-14-12 accident, no action taken.  02-03-12 accident, verbal written warning.  08-23-11 accident, no action taken.  (13 accidents/17 years, 1 month of service.)

08-27-12	Forestry Division	Employee was moving and the mower slide out and back wheel got caught in a ditch between curb, ditch, and rocker toy. Overhead crane used to remove it. After review by Fleet Services, limited damage was done to the mower.	No Action  Repair cost – \$91.46	No previous accidents in last two years.  (1 accident/2 years, 4 months of service as spring/fall temporary employee.)
08-29-12	Forestry Division	Mower got “planted” in a soft spot in the middle of a field at McKinley Park – mower pulled out with tow chains and pick up. Mower checked, no damage to mower.	No Action	08-27-12 accident, no action taken.  (2 accidents/2 years, 4 months of service as spring/fall temporary employee.)
09-07-12	Forestry Division	Employee dropped a locking pin into a hole in the chipper and jammed the chipper drum. (The chipper was a rental unit.)	One Day Unpaid Suspension  Repair cost - \$85.96	09-07-10 accident, no action taken.  (13 accidents/32 years, 8 months of service.)
09-20-12	Forestry Division	Employee was transporting a push mower on a trailer. The bungee cord broke and the mower fell off the trailer, damaging the mower wheel and handle #2229.	No Action  Repair cost – Waiting for part	08-27-12 accident, no action taken.  08-29-12 accident, no action taken.  (3 accidents/2 years, 4 months of service as spring/fall temporary employee.)
09-27-12	Forestry Division	Employee struck the bottom panel of the overhead door when entering the building with the lift truck. The door was open and started down as the employee was pulling in. His view of the door was blocked by the cage on the lift truck.	Verbal Written Warning  Repair cost - \$1257.00	No previous accidents in last two years.  (2 accidents/12 years, 7 months of service.)



2012 – 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER COLLISION REPORT



# Police Department

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 – September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012

DATE and TIME	VEHICLE TYPE	CRASH SYNOPSIS	ACCIDENT REVIEW BOARD FINDING	EMPLOYEE HISTORY Previous Accidents and Years of Service
07/09/12 12:19 PM	Police Department (Unmarked SIU Squad)	<p>During “buy/bust” operation, officer positioned his squad to prevent suspect vehicle from fleeing alley. Suspect vehicle intentionally rammed squad car and pushed squad into side of resident’s garage. Three officers in squad at time of crash.</p> <p>Damage: Moderate damage. Rear Driver Side Damage. \$2678.55. Minimal property damage to resident garage Injuries: None</p>	No Disciplinary Action. Officer Not at Fault.	<p>03/25/09 - No Action-Not at Fault.</p> <p>04/12/02 – Verbal Warning. Officer at Fault.</p> <p>12 ½ Years of Service</p>
07/26/12 2:30 AM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 46)	<p>While parked in AWAMC, taxi cab backed into squad car.</p> <p>Damage: No visible damage to either vehicle, no cost. Injuries: None</p>	No Disciplinary Action. Officer Not at Fault	<p>No prior motor vehicle crashes.</p> <p>1 ½ Years of Service</p>
07/30/12 6:52 PM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 3)	<p>Officer stopped for traffic light behind several vehicles in the 8600 block of Lincoln Ave. As light turned green, officer looked down at MDC and let foot off of gas. Officer struck vehicle in front of squad as that vehicle had not yet started to move forward.</p> <p>Damage: Minor dent in push bar of squad and bent license</p>	Verbal Warning-Counseling-Officer at Fault.	<p>No prior motor vehicle crashes.</p> <p>Less than 1 Year of Service</p>

		plate on civilian vehicle. No cost. Injuries: None		
08/29/12 11:53 AM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 15)	Officer stopped in traffic in the 7200 block of Greenfield Ave. Car struck squad from rear causing squad to crash into vehicle stopped in front of squad.  Damage: Moderate. Damage to rear bumper and trunk. \$4036.99 Minimal damage to civilian vehicles. Cost unknown. Injuries: None to civilians. Officer to AWAMC by squad and diagnosed with lower back strain.	No Disciplinary Action. Officer Not At Fault.	No prior motor vehicle crashes.  Less than 1 Year of Service.
09/15/12 10:58 PM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 64 – Prisoner Transport Van)	Officer was backing van into parking space in WAPD garage. Officer struck passenger side step of van into pole located near garage partition. Damage: Minor. Cost: \$500 Injuries: None <b>Preventive Measures Taken:</b> Transport van is difficult to back due to only being able to use mirrors and parking position in garage. Moved parking position of van to area of garage where van can be pulled forward and backed straight into parking spot.	Verbal Warning – Counseling – Officer at Fault.	02/11/12 – No Action – Officer Not at Fault.  4 Years of Service

**QUARTERLY TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND ACCIDENT REPORT FORM**  
July - September 2012

Accident Date	Dept/Division/ Office Affected	Incident Summary	Disciplinary Action	History
July 29, 2012	Fire	Med 1 – The side door in the patient compartment was left open when the unit was being backed out of the ambulance bay at WAMH. The closer on the door busted.	Verbal Reprimand	Even though the driver had a backup person she was responsible for securing the apparatus before backing. Driver has 4 years on the job with no prior incidents.
August 31, 2012	Fire	Truck 2 was pulling out from being serviced at the DPW. The vehicle was parked in the alleyway behind the DPW shop. The vehicle was parked within 4"-6" on the driver's side to a large air conditioning unit. (The AC unit was being temporarily stored in the alley) As the driver turned to access the alleyway the L rear grab bar struck the air conditioning unit causing minor damage.	None.	Driver has 13 years on the job with no prior incidents.