

## Dave Wepking

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**From:** Dan Devine  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 6:03 PM  
**To:** Rebecca Grill  
**Cc:** Dave Wepking; Peggy Steeno; David Young  
**Subject:** Re: Emergency Funding Request-Street Lighting Fixtures

I approve. Thanks

Dan

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On Feb 19, 2019, at 4:36 PM, Rebecca Grill <[RGrill@westalliswi.gov](mailto:RGrill@westalliswi.gov)> wrote:

Mayor – this is the email we are requesting your approval for. Thanks.

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**From:** Dave Wepking  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:28 PM  
**To:** Dan Devine  
**Cc:** Rebecca Grill; Peggy Steeno; David Young  
**Subject:** Emergency Funding Request-Street Lighting Fixtures

Good Afternoon Mayor,

I would like to request emergency funding for the amount of \$177,000 to purchase low pressure sodium bulbs to assist in maintaining our high voltage street lighting infrastructure. Our current street lighting is outdated and is hard to maintain given the limited suppliers that are available for parts to keep the city's street lighting operational. The street lighting industry has moved from our current system of high voltage, low pressure sodium lighting to a more technological and efficient low voltage, LED lights. Because of these changes in technologies, the demand for low pressure sodium have been declining and are being phased out. Yesterday, we were made aware the supplier of these fixtures will no longer produce these. The current supply available for purchase is \$177,000 of the low pressure sodium lighting from our last available supplier. Most of our city's street lights require this type of fixture and would extend the street lighting in these areas for approximately 6 more years.

If approved, it would assist us to stockpile supplies so we can extend the use of these street lights and maintain lighting for the security and a safe environment for the city. If approved for purchase of these fixtures, funding will be made available out of our existing Electrical Supplies Account: 100-4101-533.53-21 (\$100,000) the remaining funding will be allotted from the Capital Improvement Project for our electrical services. We will continue to pursue the acquisition of more electrical supplies as they become available contingent on funding.

We discussed this issue briefly with the Board of Public Works last night and will be requesting a Committee of the Whole meeting in the future to communicate to the Alderpersons the state of our electrical street lighting infrastructure.

If you have any questions or need further clarification please don't hesitate to contact me.

**Dave Wepking**

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