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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 January 1, 2012 through March 31, 2012.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script 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

January 1, 2012 – March 31, 2012

Accident Date	Department/Division/Office Affected	Incident Summary	Disciplinary Action	History
01-13-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was removing snow from DPW lot. He backed up and knocked over the gas pump with the loader. He had worked through the night due to snow.	Written Warning – One Day Suspension Repair cost - \$12,738.00	No previous accidents in last two years. (24 accidents/31 years, 6 months of service).
01-17-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee hit a low hanging tree branch while using a spreader with a plow on it. Broke the lower mount on driver side mirror.	No Action Repair cost - \$152.62	02-09-10 accident, no action taken. (12 accidents/17 years, 2 months of service).
01-20-12	Building and Sign Division	Was backing a pick up into the salt dome to load salt. He hit the framing of the salt dome and bent the back quarter panel.	Verbal Warning Repair cost - \$1,188.76	No previous accidents in last two years. (7 accidents/36 years, 2 months of service).
02-02-12	Forestry Division	Employee was doing paperwork in the garage, put the truck in reverse and hit another truck that pulled up behind him. Damage to front fender and passenger light.	No Action Repair cost – Not worked on yet	No previous accidents in last two years. (3 accidents/11 years, 9 months of service).
02-03-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was backing a refuse truck in the garage and backed into another vehicle, compressing the bumper of the passenger front side. He didn't see his spotter.	Verbal Written Warning Repair cost - \$639.76	08-23-11 accident, no action taken. (10 accidents/16 years, 6 months of service).
02-10-12	Forestry Division	Employee thought he could maneuver a tight spot while backing. Another employee came around the corner. Employee #1 put vehicle in drive and fish tailed, hit and broke the tail light on upper corner of vehicle #2.	No Action Repair cost - \$159.64	03-31-10 accident, Step 1 verbal written warning. (5 accidents/17 years, 9 months of service).

02-14-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was backing up and turning and hit a steel post at transfer station. Broke right hand lower mirror off.	No Action Repair cost - \$60.76	02-03-12 accident, written verbal warning. 08-23-11 accident, no action taken. (11 accidents/16 years, 6 months of service).
02-24-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was driving a loader down an alley to clear snow. Employee struck a 3-4" concrete protrusion in the roadbed, leading edge of plow blade was damaged.	No Action Repair cost – None	06-02-11 accident, Step 1 verbal warning. (14 accidents/21 years, 11 months of service).
02-24-12	Forestry Division	Employee was driving a holder clearing snow and caught the edge of a curb, stopping the machine completely.	No Action Repair cost – No damage to holder	07-19-11 accident, no action taken. (3 accidents/22 years of service).
03-01-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was on Hayes Avenue; a driver southbound on 81 st Street went through a stop sign and hit the sewer truck.	No Action Repair cost – None	No previous accidents in last two years. (3 accidents/28 years, 10 months of service).
03-01-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was eastbound on Becher Street with green light. Westbound driver turned left on National Avenue in front of our driver.	No Action (Ticket to other driver/failure to yield) Repair cost – Being subrogated at outside repair shop	06-07-11 accident, no action taken. 02-16-11 accident, no action taken. (18 accidents/23 years, 3 months of service).
03-02-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Bent the hinge on the door on top of the asphalt truck while loading truck with front end loader.	No Action Repair cost - \$72.99	No previous accidents in last two years. (14 accidents/15 years, 2 months of service).
03-30-12	Sanitation and Street Division	Employee was backing up west on Theodore Trecker Way and was hit by a car that came up behind him. Employee had on running lights and flashing yellow light.	No Action (Ticket to other driver/inattentive driving)	No previous accidents in last two years. (1 accident/5 months of service).

2012 – 1st QUARTER COLLISION REPORT



Police Department



January 1, 2012 – March 31, 2012

DATE and TIME	VEHICLE TYPE	CRASH SYNOPSIS	ACCIDENT REVIEW BOARD FINDING	EMPLOYEE HISTORY Previous Accidents and Years of Service
01/13/12 10:00 AM	Police Department (Unmarked Squad)	Classified as hit and run. Sometime between 01/13/12 at 1000hrs and 01/17/12 1200hrs, someone backed police vehicle and struck an object with the left rear bumper. Damage: Minor damage. Rear passenger bumper torn and loose. \$483.00	Officers assigned to vehicle denied striking anything. Based upon investigation, it is possible damage may have been caused at another location and/or by another vehicle/	No identified employee driver. No Action
01/18/12 8:20 AM	Police Department (Unmarked Squad # 8 & Unmarked Squad # 50)	The officer was backing up from a parking spot on Butorac Way and backed into a legally parked squad car on the west side of drive. Damage: Slight scratches on bumpers, no cost. Injuries: None	No Disciplinary Action, on shift counsel by supervisor – Officer At Fault	03/27/06-Verbal Warning 8 Years
01/31/12 9:42 AM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 15)	Officer was traveling westbound on W. Lincoln Ave. and an eastbound vehicle made a left hand turn in front of squad causing collision. Other driver cited for failure to yield. Damage: \$4,233.32 to squad. Moderate damage to civilian vehicle. Injuries: None	No Action - Officer Not At Fault	02/17/03 (At Fault-No Action), 10/11/07 (Verbal Warning – Officer at Fault), 06/20/07 (Not At Fault – No Action), 03/06/09 (Written Warning – Officer At Fault) 18 Years
02/11/12 12:30 AM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 24)	After completing fueling at City Yards, officer failed to remove gas pump nozzle. Officer	No Disciplinary Action, on shift counsel by supervisor – Officer Not At Fault	No Previous Accidents 3 years

		drove away detaching nozzle and hose from pump. Damage: No squad damage. \$200 damage to pump. Classified as accident per DOT standards. Injuries: None		
02/15/12 2:36 AM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 48)	Officer was operating in the 1800 block of S. 80 crossing railroad tracks. Officer was observing businesses and railroad tracks. Officer struck a fire hydrant lying in the middle of the street. Fire hydrant was debris from a previous, not yet reported hit and run accident. Damage: Minor scratches to undercarriage. Cost: \$0 Injuries: None	Verbal Warning – Officer At Fault	06/22/06 (No Action – Officer at Fault) 7 years
02/21/12 00:00 AM	Police Department (Unmarked Squad # 4)	Unmarked squad struck interior wall of garage during parking maneuver. Driver not identified. Damage: Moderate damage to front bumper of Escape. \$390.40. No damage to wall. Injuries: None	No Action taken. Driver not identified.	
03/16/12 4:35 PM	Police Department (Marked Squad # 6)	While performing a backing maneuver on private lot, officer struck utility pole in the middle of lot. Damage: Squad - Dent, cracks and scratches to rear bumper. \$1,242.29 No damage to pole. Injuries: none	Verbal Warning – Officer at Fault.	10/11/11 Officer at Fault – No Action. 8 years

QUARTERLY TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND ACCIDENT REPORT FORM
January – March 2012

Accident Date	Dept/Division/ Office Affected	Incident Summary	Disciplinary Action	History
January 22, 2012	Fire	Med 1 – Small ding in the diamond plated trim on the driver’s side of the vehicle.	None	Unknown driver. Ding was noticed during routine inspection. Previous drivers were interviewed and both denied striking anything. Damage was minor enough that they may have clipped a snow pile causing the damage and they never knew they hit it.
January 26, 2012	Fire	The garage door was closed on top of Med 1 as it was leaving for training. The door closer on Med 110 (which was next to Med 1) was the closer that was activated. The wrong closer was placed on the wrong apparatus.	None. Driver not at fault.	NA
February 12, 2012	Fire	Med 1 was backing out of Froedert Hospital when the garage door came down on it. No damage to the Med unit.	None. Driver not at fault.	Driver has 13 years on the job. No prior accidents.