



City of Kenosha to receive 2021 Local Award for Excellence from
the Wisconsin Association for Floodplain, Stormwater, and Coastal Management

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KENOSHA – The City of Kenosha will be honored with a 2021 Local Award for Excellence for its efforts to mitigate major flooding issues from the Wisconsin Association for Floodplain, Stormwater, & Coastal Management (WAFSCM) during its annual conference November 3-5 in La Crosse. Kim Masura, Senior Stormwater Engineer and Project Manager for the projects, will attend the conference and accept the award, along with the City’s consultant Ruekert & Mielke.

The City has tackled major flooding issues with the construction of stormwater basins in several older neighborhoods. The Georgetown Basin project helps reduce flooding near Pick ‘n Save on 75th Street and in the surrounding neighborhoods. The \$5 million Kenosha Engine Plant Stormwater Basin project will serve the redevelopment of the former Chrysler site and also will benefit surrounding neighborhoods with their future storm water improvement needs.

Upcoming projects will construct storm water basins and related storm sewers improvements in several other City neighborhoods.

Kenosha Mayor John Antaramian said he appreciates the efforts of Masura and the City’s engineering staff in creating solutions to address flooding issues.

“The City has committed to a significant investment in our infrastructure, including stormwater management,” he said. “These improvements are critical to reduce the risk of flooding and potential for damage to property.”

The award recognizes individuals or organizations that have contributed outstanding work toward implementing sound flood plain, stormwater, or coastal management.

The award highlights several accomplishments by the City including:

- Comprehensive planning efforts of the City’s storm water infrastructure to evaluate

flood risk reduction and water quality initiatives throughout the City.

- Expediting the City's long-term and short-term storm water management efforts in response to the flooding event in July 2017 that caused significant damage to homes, businesses, and infrastructure in the City.
- Enhancing the storm water management capabilities in the City for years to come.