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Clerk Treasurer

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June 2nd, 2026

To: Natalie Driebel, Accounting Clerk, Finance Department

Re: Claim for Property Damage

Submitted By: Kenneth W. Ward

247 S. Moreland Blvd

Waukesha, WI 53188

Date of Incident: 03/29/2026

Date Claim Received: 07/02/2026

Sincerely,

The enclosed is being sent to you to provide to our insurance or as needed for your review.

Abigail Schoessow

Treasurer

Clerk Treasurer's Office

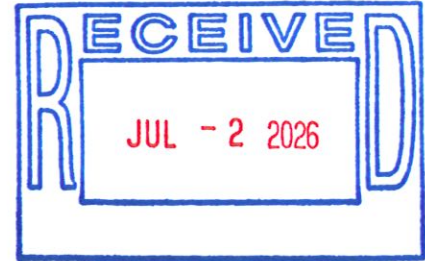
CC: Clerk (original) / Finance / Attorney / [Engineering / Police]

NOTICE OF CLAIM

To:

City Clerk

City of Waukesha



From:

Kenneth W. Ward

247 S. Moreland Blvd.

Waukesha, WI 53188

Phone: 1-312-931-7524

Email: mastersparky@att.net

Date: 07/02/2026

RE: Sewer Backup and Property Damage Caused by City-Owned Tree

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 893.80 and applicable City of Waukesha claim procedures, I hereby submit this Notice of Claim for damages resulting from a sewer backup caused by a city-owned tree.

On or about 03/29/2026, a sewer backup occurred at my property located at:

247 S. Moreland Blvd.

Waukesha, WI 53188

Investigation by plumbing professionals determined that roots from a tree owned and maintained by the City of Waukesha had infiltrated and obstructed the sewer lateral serving my property. The root intrusion caused a blockage that resulted in sewage backing up into my home and property.

As a direct result of this sewer backup, I incurred damages including, but not limited to:

- Sewer cleaning and root removal costs
- Plumbing inspection and diagnostic costs
- Sewer camera inspection expenses
- Property cleanup expenses
- Damage to personal property and building materials
- Future repair and restoration costs
- Other damages discovered during repair and remediation

The City knew or should have known that the city-owned tree posed a risk of root intrusion into underground sewer infrastructure and failed to take reasonable measures to prevent the resulting damage.

I am requesting reimbursement for all damages, expenses, and losses associated with this incident. My damages are currently estimated at \$_____3,598.00_____, with additional damages subject to determination as repairs and restoration continue.

Attached are copies of supporting documentation, including:

1. Plumber reports
2. Sewer camera inspection reports
3. Photographs of the damage
4. Repair estimates and invoices
5. Other relevant records

I request that the City investigate this matter and compensate me for all damages caused by the sewer backup and resulting property damage. The part of the sewer was blocked at 106 feet which puts it under the city street. Also would like to note that this damage was most likely caused by heavy truck traffic on a weight limited street of no trucks over 3 ton. We have trucks over 3 ton on a daily basis and the weight limit is not enforced. The lateral had the rooted on 03/29/2026 and again on then again on 05/17/2026 and finally full open on 06/04/2026. I have also included a flash drive containing video inspection of the lateral.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth W. Ward
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262-771-8792

SUMP/EJECTOR PUMPS, WATER HEATERS, DRAIN CLEANING, HYDROJET, RODDING, CAMERA SEWER LINES

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE

We are not responsible for landscaping, asphalt, concrete or excess dirt removal. Service Tech. _____
 We are not responsible for underground utilities that cannot be located by services such as Julie, Digger, Hotline, et. ☐ Init.

1. You must send the firm clean up fees in LAUSD
2. You must use 100% recycled oil 2" steel tubes to protect
fins. Various sized China. \$34.00 Emergency fee added
for every stage.

WIND COMPLETION: THE WIND BLOWS OFF THE TOWARD THE DE
"CROSS LINE" WEST APPROXIMATELY 110 FEET. OR. VERY STRONG
SUG 4 - 1100 JET

EMAIL

CREDIT CARD # (3% surcharge)

IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT THAT Wally Blanton MUST RE-ROD A LINE UNDER WARRANTY, BE ADVISED OF A \$85.00 TRIP CHARGE.*

PLEASE PAY FROM THIS INVOICE - NO OTHER STATEMENT WILL BE RENDERED

SERVICE WARRANTY All drain openings are warranted for one year with the following exceptions:
1. Service warranty is void where it has been determined that drainage piping is in poor condition (irregularity, breaks, excessively heavy root infiltration, etc.) - OR - 2. Where negligent use is apparent (foreign objects in drain, etc.)

MATERIAL WARRANTY All materials supplied by Wally Blanton are covered by the manufacturers written warranty.

PAYMENT DUE UPON COMPLETION OF JOB

I have the authority to order the above work and do so order as outlined above. It is agreed that the seller will retain title to any equipment or material furnished until final & complete payment is made, and if settlement is not made as agreed, the seller shall have the right to remove same and the seller will be held harmless for any damages resulting from the removal therefor. By signing this Authority, you also waive your three (3) day right to cancel and agree to contract entered between myself and Wally Blanton.

(Initials) [Signature] (Signature)

The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Customer agrees to 25% of contracted amount per cancellation. Payment will be made as outlined. See reverse side.

X [Signature]
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

DATE _____

X Wally Blanton
AUTHORIZED Wally Blanton REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE

DATE _____

GUARANTEE ON RODDING

☐ NONE ☐ 6 MONTHS
☐ 30 DAYS ☐ 1 YEAR
☐ 1 FREE RE-ROD

ALL DEPOSITS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

DEPOSIT:

BALANCE:**TOTAL:**

\$ 1,294.00



Invoice 104244080
Invoice Date 6/4/2026
Completed Date 6/4/2026
Due Date 6/4/2026

Billing Address
Ken Ward
247 South Moreland Boulevard
Waukesha, WI 53188 USA

Job Address
Ken Ward
247 South Moreland Boulevard
Waukesha, WI 53188 USA

Service #	Description	Quantity
Ninja Drain Cleaning	Guaranteed Go & Flow for 12 months. Professional-grade Drain Cleaning includes video inspection and high end powerful sewer cleaning tools to ensure sewer pipe is thoroughly cleaned. Service charges will be credited to final reline costs of reline if installed within 1 year of the cleaning.	1.00

Paid On	Type	Memo	Amount
6/7/2026	ACH		\$1,550.00

Sub-Total	\$1,550.00
Tax	\$0.00
Total	\$1,550.00
Payment	\$1,550.00
Balance Due	\$0.00



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Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096
WI 3624 14th Ave,
Kenosha, WI 53140
WI 1300 40th Street,
Kenosha, WI 53140

IL
847-345-8185

WI
262-771-8792

Credit Card Authorization

Card Holder Name	<i>Kenosha</i>
Card Number	<i>[scribble]</i>
Expiration	<i>[scribble]</i>
CVV	<i>[scribble]</i>
Zip/Postal Code	<i>53140</i>
Card Holder Street Address	<i>38500</i>
Signature:	<i>[Signature]</i>
Date:	<i>06-01-26</i>



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Sewer & Drain

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335-8637

Credit Card Authorization

Card Holder Name	Ken Wilson
Card Number	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Expiration	XXXX/XXXX
CVV	XXX
Zip/Postal Code	53188
Card Holder Street Address	8624100
Signature:	
Date:	05-17-26