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4/13/2026

Compliance Reviewer
State Historic Preservation Office
Wisconsin Historical Society
816 State St.
Madison, WI 53706

Re: Historical Society Notification
445 W. Newhall Ave.
City of Waukesha
Waukesha County, WI
UWM-CRM: 2026-0219

SHPO Compliance Reviewer,

During the course of researching the above project, I contacted the local and county historical society and preservation commission. This memo documents my correspondence.

In April 2026, I communicated with the Waukesha County Historical Society and the Waukesha Landmarks Commission via email to notify the groups of the project activity and ask for any input or concerns regarding the project. See attached email correspondence. Waukesha city planner Charlie Griffith responded to indicate that the project notification would be added to the landmarks commission's May 2026 agenda for discussion. As of April 13, 2026, the Waukesha County Historical Society has not responded to express any concerns regarding the proposed project. Additional correspondence from either group will be forwarded to your office for review and inclusion in the project's compliance file.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Klein".

Gail Klein
Architectural Historian
UWM-CRM



Proposed Waukesha Water Utility Project

From Gail Rae Klein <grklein@uwm.edu>

Date Fri 4/3/2026 4:06 PM

To info@wchsm.org <info@wchsm.org>

Dear Waukesha County Historical Society,

I am writing to inform you of a proposed Waukesha Water Utility project located at 445 W. Newhall Avenue in the City of Waukesha. The proposed project involves the demolition of the existing pump house and reservoir building at this location. This building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

UWM-Cultural Resource Management has been contracted to investigate any potential historic resources in this project location. We have conducted searches of the Wisconsin Historic Preservation Database (WHPD) and the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and will conduct a site visit of the project location.

Please take this opportunity to contact me if you are aware of any other historic resources within the project area or if you have concerns about the proposed project.

Thank you,

Gail Klein, M.S.

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Re: Waukesha Water Utility Project

From Gail Rae Klein <grklein@uwm.edu>
Date Mon 4/13/2026 9:40 AM
To Charlie Griffith <CGriffith@waukesha-wi.gov>

Thanks Charlie! Because the building is NRHP listed, its demolition is considered to be an adverse effect, so SHPO will require some level of mitigation (though we have not yet submitted the project documentation for their review yet). Let me know if you or the commission have any questions about the process.

Best,

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From: Charlie Griffith <CGriffith@waukesha-wi.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 3, 2026 4:22 PM
To: Gail Rae Klein <grklein@uwm.edu>
Subject: RE: Waukesha Water Utility Project

Gail,

I certainly will do that. We'll plan on having discussion of it at the May meeting.

Thanks,

**Charlie Griffith, AICP**

City of Waukesha
Senior Planner

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From: Gail Rae Klein <grklein@uwm.edu>
Sent: Friday, April 3, 2026 4:15 PM
To: Charlie Griffith <CGriffith@waukesha-wi.gov>
Subject: Waukesha Water Utility Project

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Hi Charlie,

As you may be aware, the Waukesha Water Utility is planning a project involving the demolition of the old pump house and reservoir building at 445 W. Newhall Avenue. Because the project may require compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, UWM-CRM is working with the City to address any proposed historic resources within this project area.

Our investigation has indicated that the pump house and reservoir building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Per Section 106, we are required to reach out to the local landmarks commission to solicit any input they may have regarding the proposed project. Could you please forward this information to the commission along with my contact information so that the group has the opportunity to provide input or ask questions about the project?

Thank you!

Gail Klein, M.S.

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