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<b>Committee:</b> Landmarks Commission	<b>Meeting Date:</b> 5/7/2025
<b>Item Number:</b> ID#25-00798	
<b>Subject:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review and possible comment on the Architecture/History Investigation of the Waukesha Water Utility facilities at 1430 S. East Ave., 2320 W. Sunset Dr., and 223 S. West Ave.</li></ul>	

**Details:** As a result of the transition to Lake Michigan water, the Waukesha Water Utility no longer needs several of its well and reservoir facilities. It would like to decommission the wells and sell the properties for redevelopment. The Water Utility has applied for an EPA grant to help cover the cost of decommissioning the wells. One of the requirements for the grant is completion of a review to determine whether the facilities are eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Since they are over fifty years old a full report was completed on their eligibility.

The City's consultant, Cultural Resource Management, found that the facilities are not eligible for National Register status, and the State Historic Preservation Office concurred. A standard part of the process is to request Landmarks Commission comments regarding potential impact on historic structures.

One of the three properties, 223 S. West Ave., is located approximately 600 feet south of the 501 W. College Ave., the Local Landmark Robert O. Jones House. Due to its small size and awkward shape, 223 S. West Ave. has very limited redevelopment potential. The other two properties are near Sunset Drive and are not close to any Historic Districts or individual Local Landmarks.

**Relevant Secretary of the Interior Standards:**  
N. A.

**Paint and Repair Grant info:** N. A.

**Staff Recommendation:** Since the sites are not eligible for National Register status and are not locally designated, staff recommends that the Landmarks Commission should not have any comment.

