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Substitute resolution directing the Department of Public Works to develop a pothole response program using extended hours and a reserve workforce.

This resolution directs the Department of Public Works to develop a pothole response program using extended hours and a reserve workforce. The program should not rely on the public to report pothole locations.

Whereas, Potholes create a hazard for motorists and bicyclists and may result in additional vehicle maintenance costs for vehicle owners; and

Whereas, The annual freeze-thaw cycle common in late winter causes an increase potholes every year; and

Whereas, The City responds to potholes reported by the public, and many potholes are not reported by the public, and

Whereas, Milwaukee is immune from liability for any damage that occurs to a person's vehicle due to a defect in a sidewalk or a street based on state law; and

Whereas, Immunity from liability does not relieve the City of its responsibility for repairing potholes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council and the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of Public Works is directed to develop a pothole response program using extended hours and a reserve workforce; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the pothole response program shall not rely on reports from the public to direct pothole-filling activity.

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