

City Council

Agenda Item

Subject: Approval of insurance policies and authorization for payment for premiums for general liability, auto liability and physical damage, law enforcement liability, buildings and contents, equipment property damage, and equipment breakdown (boiler and machinery) coverage and authorization for the Chief Financial Officer to issue a Special Check.

Meeting: City Council - Aug 18 2025

From: Kristen Bobzien, Chief Financial Officer

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The 2025 insurance premium increased approximately 13 percent from the 2024 premium. The following factors contributed to the increase:

- New equipment added to the policy, including two crane loaders, compactor, dozer and a new ambulance.
- A 7.5 percent increase in property values due to market inflation
- No longer eligible for Loss Ratio Credit and decrease in Loss Control Credit
- Increase in Operating Expenditures

For the 2025 policy year the credits applied to the renewal were \$19,085.07.

2024 Premium

City - \$742,903.24

Utility - \$301,980.33

Total Premium - \$1,044,883.57

2025 Premium

City - \$844,044.63

Utility - \$339,680.97

Total Premium - \$1,183,725.60

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The 2025 insurance premium increased approximately 13 percent from the 2024 premium.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION / SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move to approve the insurance policies and authorization for payment for premiums for general liability, auto liability and physical damage, law enforcement liability, buildings and contents, equipment property damage, and equipment breakdown (boiler and machinery) coverage and authorize the Chief Financial Officer to issue a Special Check.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[2025 Insurance Invoice](#)

[Agenda Breakdown 2025](#)



SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE

MAIN OFFICE
PO Box 91348
Sioux Falls, SD 57106

PHONE: 605.224.8654 Option 2
TOLL FREE: 800.658.3633 Option 2

Invoice # 31766-4221

Invoice Date: 8/12/2025

Due Date: 9/11/2025

City of Watertown
Attn: Kristen Bobzien, Finance Officer
PO Box 910
Watertown, SD 57201

Please return one copy of invoice with payment.

===== SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE =====

Current Payment Plan: Annual

Coverage	Effective Date	Amount
General Liability	8/01/2025	\$289,620.56
Auto Liability	8/01/2025	\$53,881.52
Auto Damage	8/01/2025	\$240,251.00
Law Enforcement	8/01/2025	\$38,327.65
Property	8/01/2025	\$560,825.69
Equipment Breakdown	8/01/2025	\$19,904.25
Coverage Total		\$1,202,810.67

2025 DISTRIBUTION	\$19,085.07
Renewal Credit	\$4,292.18
Loss Control Credit	\$12,876.51
Loss Ratio Credit	\$0.00
Law Enforcement Credit	\$1,916.38

Invoice Total \$1,183,725.60

Please make checks payable to:

South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance
PO Box 5186
Sioux Falls, SD 57117

Thank you

Coverage is not bound until payment is received. We reserve the right to revoke coverage retroactively if payment is not received within 60 days of the due date.

2025-2026 South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance Premium Breakdown
Renewal Effective 8/01/2025

	City of Watertown	Municipal Utilities			
Liability/Auto	\$ 377,678.98	\$ 225,316.68			
Property/Equipment	\$ 450,723.66	\$ 110,102.03			
Equipment Breakdown	\$ 15,641.99	\$ 4,262.26			
Total:	\$ 844,044.63	\$ 339,680.97	\$ 1,183,725.60		
Department	Expense Account	Liability/Auto	Property/Equipment	Equipment Breakdown	Fund Total
Mayor/Council	101-41110-42104	\$ 461.17			\$ 461.17
City Manager	101-41515-42104	\$ 1,208.79			\$ 1,208.79
Attorney	101-41520-42104	\$ 48.70			\$ 48.70
Finance	101-41530-42104	\$ 1,476.26			\$ 1,476.26
Human Resources	101-41525-42104	\$ 891.79			\$ 891.79
IT Department	101-41933-42104	\$ 2,313.04			\$ 2,313.04
City Hall	101-41941-42104	\$ 1,680.46	\$ 21,558.35	\$ 768.79	\$ 24,007.60
Engineering	101-41960-42104	\$ 3,725.74			\$ 3,725.74
Police	101-42100-42104	\$ 42,596.58	\$ 12,520.33	\$ 485.51	\$ 55,602.42
Fire	101-42220-42104	\$ 53,333.92	\$ 19,526.68	\$ 729.02	\$ 73,589.62
Ambulance	101-42291-42104	\$ 19,867.18			\$ 19,867.18
Public Works	101-43010-42104	\$ 1,596.09			\$ 1,596.09
Street	101-43120-42104	\$ 45,000.15	\$ 13,209.70	\$ 194.80	\$ 58,404.65
Snow	101-43125-42104	\$ 666.46			\$ 666.46
Street Lighting	101-43120-42104	\$ 2,079.57			\$ 2,079.57
Storm Sewer	101-43254-42104	\$ 749.33			\$ 749.33
Cemetery	101-43700-42104	\$ 2,325.86	\$ 2,088.48	\$ 59.25	\$ 4,473.59
Mosquito Control	101-44132-42104	\$ 478.02			\$ 478.02
Animal Control	101-44143-42104	\$ 2,035.59			\$ 2,035.59
Forestry	101-45240-42104	\$ 13,029.73	\$ 936.86		\$ 13,966.59
Library	101-45500-42104	\$ 2,216.11	\$ 16,067.85	\$ 619.13	\$ 18,903.09
Community Development	101-46512-42104	\$ 2,684.35			\$ 2,684.35
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Supervision	201-45121-42104	\$ 1,661.15			\$ 1,661.15
Recreation	201-45123-42104	\$ 1,906.70	\$ 17,727.14	\$ 681.31	\$ 20,315.15
Golf Course	201-45125-42104	\$ 5,537.19	\$ 11,039.72	\$ 219.66	\$ 16,796.57
Pool	201-45126-42104	\$ 9,778.53	\$ 6,539.26	\$ 202.74	\$ 16,520.53
Zoo	201-45134-42104	\$ 6,661.76	\$ 20,830.42	\$ 694.32	\$ 28,186.50
Ice Arena	201-45135-42104	\$ 1,827.38	\$ 67,156.35	\$ 2,565.10	\$ 71,548.83
Parks	201-45142-42104	\$ 13,658.80	\$ 16,685.53	\$ 614.42	\$ 30,958.75
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Prairie Lakes Wellness Center	204-45122-42104	\$ 7,584.52	\$ 57,873.85	\$ 2,226.91	\$ 67,685.28
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E-911	214-42151-42104	\$ 10,653.88			\$ 10,653.88
Library Fines Fund	226-45506-42104	\$ 57.29			\$ 57.29
Urban Renewal	101-41941-42104	\$ -			\$ -
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Sewer - Collection	604-43252-42104	\$ 21,723.00	\$ 4,937.91	\$ 160.25	\$ 26,821.16
Sewer - Collection Improvements	604-43253-42104	\$ -			\$ -
Sewer - WWTP	604-43256-42104	\$ 13,159.19	\$ 71,967.31	\$ 2,653.29	\$ 87,779.79
Sewer - Pretreatment	604-43257-42104	\$ 2,306.82			\$ 2,306.82
Sewer - Laboratory	604-43258-42104	\$ 2,921.93			\$ 2,921.93
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Solid Waste - Collection	605-43230-42104	\$ 36,912.01			\$ 36,912.01
Solid Waste - Disposal	605-43240-42104	\$ 6,244.93	\$ 14,780.90	\$ 126.98	\$ 21,152.81
Solid Waste - Recycling	605-43245-42104	\$ 7,948.40			\$ 7,948.40
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Airport	606-43500-42104	\$ 26,670.62	\$ 75,277.02	\$ 2,640.50	\$ 104,588.14
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Total		\$ 377,678.99	\$ 450,723.66	\$ 15,641.98	\$ 844,044.63