



**County Executive**  
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# DANE COUNTY DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC WORKS, HIGHWAY and TRANSPORTATION

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**Commissioner / Director**  
Gerald J. Mandli

TO: Personnel and Finance Committee

FROM: Gerald J. Mandli, P.E., Commissioner / Director

DATE: April 10, 2019

SUBJECT: Request for approval to provide Dane County Highway Personnel Coffee service/Ice and Filtered Water

In appreciation for the work in extreme weather conditions endured by the Dane County Highway Department personnel, I am requesting that we provide coffee service, bagged ice and filtered water source at the following work site locations; Madison, East Side Facility, Mt Horeb, and Springfield.

Employees work 12 to 16 hours during winter snow plow events. A cup of coffee or a hot cocoa is the least that we can do to make our employees more comfortable. During the construction season, employees are out on construction projects for up to 10 hours under the direct sun (or mechanics in un-air conditioned shops) in hot and humid conditions. Supplying filtered water and bagged ice will also provide the same affect for those long summer days.

The total cost to our department is estimated at \$8,000, for the first year.

We respectfully request that an exception be made to Section 20.14 of the Expense Account Ordinance in order to permit us to provide this token of appreciation for our snow plow operators, mechanics, dispatchers and managers.

Thank you for your consideration.