

PUBLIC HEARING – 10C



DATE: March 9, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers
Jessica Jagoe, City Administrator

FROM: Jake Reilly, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Planning Case 2026-003 Amending City Code Chapters 10, 11 and 15 Related to Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

Budgeted Amount:	Actual Amount:	Funding Source:
N/A	N/A	N/A

Requested Action

Hold the required public hearing for Ordinance 2026-005 amending Chapter 11 - Subdivisions to bring the City’s Code of Ordinances into conformance with required updated rules set by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and Ordinance 2026-006 amending Chapter 10 – Utilities and Chapter – 15 Erosion and Sediment Control to bring the City’s Code of Ordinances into conformance with required updated rules set by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

The City Council will be asked to make a formal decision under Agenda Item 11E.

Background/Discussion

The City of Arden Hills is one of Minnesota’s approximately 248 entities required to obtain National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permits and develop Stormwater Pollution Prevention Programs (SWPPPs). The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) updates Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Language every five years. In 2025, the MPCA issued new MS4 Permits with updated language to take effect for the permit cycle of 2025 through 2029. Entities typically have up to two years to comply with the new rules. City Staff from the Public Works and Community Development worked with a consultant to update the language within our City’s Code of Ordinances to correctly reflect the revisions required by the MPCA for the new MS4 permit rules.

The City of Arden Hills Planning Commission has review and recommendation authority over proposed changes to Chapter 11 – Subdivisions and held a public hearing at the February 4, 2026, regular meeting of the Planning Commission for the proposed changes to Chapter 11. There were no public comments on this application. At that time, it recommended approval of Ordinance 2026-005 provided as Attachment A by a 7-0 vote.

There are related ordinance changes to Chapter 10 – Utilities and Chapter 15 – Erosion and Sediment Control, also to bring the Code of Ordinance in conformance with state rules adopted in

2025. The proposed changes to Chapter 10 – Utilities and Chapter 15 – Erosion and Sediment Control are included as Attachment B.

The Ordinances are presented here as a package as they are related to one set of rule changes from the MPCA and must be adopted together. Because the changes are significant, the ordinances have been written to repeal the existing outdated language and replace with the new language.

Attachments

Attachment A - Draft Ordinance 2026-005 Amending Chapter 11 – Subdivisions

Attachment B - Draft Ordinance 2026-006 Amending Chapter 10 – Utilities and Chapter – 15 Erosion and Sediment Control

Attachment C - Presentation