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**FRANKLIN AND OAK CREEK AGREE TO HISTORICAL
WATER RENEWAL AGREEMENT**

FRANKLIN, WI. (Sept. 5, 2024) - Leadership of Franklin and Oak Creek have agreed to a 40-year agreement that will ensure the residents and businesses of Franklin will continue to receive high-quality drinking water. This agreement will establish Oak Creek Water and Sewer Utility as the provider of Lake Michigan water to the Franklin Municipal Water Utility for the next 40 years, with an automatic renewal of an additional 40 years, and will replace the 30-year contract the two neighboring cities entered in 1994.

“After years of research and analysis, the priority for the citizens and businesses of Franklin was, and will always be, to provide them with the best quality of water at the most cost-effective price. As a result, we determined the correct course of action was to secure our partnership with Oak Creek for the long term,” said Franklin Mayor John Nelson.

Conversations to renew the previous 30-year agreement began in late 2016, when partnering with other jurisdictions was considered by Franklin’s previous elected officials. “The amount of cost that would have been passed on to the people and businesses of Franklin to develop the infrastructure from another supplier was inconceivable,” said Nelson, “and truthfully, why change a partnership that has served our residents extremely well over the past 30 years.”

Please join us for the historical signing of the Water Purchase and Sale Agreement by these two great mayors.

WHEN: Friday, September 6, 2024, 11-11:30AM

WHERE: Franklin’s City Hall Common Council Conference Room
9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, WI., 414-425-7500

WHO: Franklin Mayor John Nelson and Oak Creek Mayor Daniel Bukiewicz

WHAT: Both Mayor’s to discuss the importance and benefits of the agreement before signing the document

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