

# Memo

To: Village Board

Fr: Chris Clark, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Forestry  
Trevor Fuller, Director of Planning and Community Development

Re: ACTION RE: URBAN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT – DEER COUNT SURVEY

Date: 16 February 2024

The Village of Allouez has been discussing urban wildlife management in response to complaints received mainly regarding the deer and turkey populations in the village. In 2023, the Village Board invited a representative from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to a meeting to discuss available options and best practices. Regarding the deer population, it was suggested that an aerial count of the deer would be necessary to determine the logical next steps. Village staff began working with the City of De Pere (the municipality bordering the area where complaints were being received) to find a contractor for this work.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has the capabilities to do an aerial survey count using drones and infrared technology. The USDA has been recently contracted by the City of Green Bay and the City of De Pere for this type of work. Staff reached out to see if a survey could be performed for the village, using the same map used for the survey aerial survey done in 2014 (updated map attached). The USDA has provided an estimate of \$1,331.00 to do this work. This work could be completed as soon as March of this year.

Following this survey, staff will be able to analyze how the deer population has changed over the past decade and make a determination of the best next steps. Funding for this project is being proposed from the contingency fund.

**The Village Board is asked to approve staff to enter into a contract with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for an aerial deer count survey, with the funds coming from the contingency fund.**

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## Aerial Deer Survey

### Wildlife Management Services

#### VILLAGE PARKS

