

The work to install additional valves to facilitate the installation of the temporary liquid oxygen storage system and adjust treatment chemical addition locations to meet regulatory requirements while the ozone generators are down has been completed. The ozone generators were brought back online Monday afternoon, and allowed to run through second and third shift to ensure reliable operation and functionality prior to switching back to ozone as the primary disinfectant. As of this morning, the Water Filtration Plant has switched back to ozone as the primary disinfection method.

The temporary liquid oxygen storage system approved by Common Council on March 11, 2025 (Resolution 25-98) is expected to be delivered to the site later this week. With the preparatory work completed by the Contractor last week, we anticipate that the plant will be able to switch from the existing liquid oxygen storage tanks to the temporary storage tanks without an interruption to the ozone generators. The temporary storage tanks will allow the ozone generators to operate while the Contractor is demolishing the existing storage tanks and constructing the new permanent storage tanks.

The Public Works communications consultant will be posting information on social media regarding this update shortly. We are working with other City social media outlets to spread this message. I will forward this update to our partners in the community as we did with our initial outreach.

Public Works will continue to keep you updated on the status of this project during construction and whenever there are potential impacts to our treatment process that might result in a change in our drinking water supply. We will also share this information in this week's City Manager Newsletter.

If you have any questions regarding this update, or the ozone system replacement project, please reach out to either myself or Assistant Director of Public Works / Utilities General Manager Steve Gohde.

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