

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS City departments procure goods and services to conduct business on a daily basis to maintain services to its constituents, and

WHEREAS such procurement of goods and services is currently conducted through vendor open charge accounts and vendor payment with special checks, and

WHEREAS such methods of payment can be an inefficient and time consuming process for both vendors and City departments, and

WHEREAS the Finance Department, acting on behalf of both City departments and vendors, has the responsibility to ensure all payments for goods and services are handled in a prompt and efficient manner, benefitting both vendors and City departments, and

WHEREAS the Finance Department has recognized and extensively researched a purchasing card program that would enhance the efficiency and methodology to both City departments and vendors the way goods and services are acquired and paid for, and

WHEREAS the State of Wisconsin periodically bids contracts such as purchasing card programs that are available to public entities such as the City of La Crosse to participate in, and

WHEREAS the Finance Department has researched and recognized that the above listed State cooperative contract has been very successful for participants and would greatly enhance the efficiency and methodology of acquisition and payment of goods and services for the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby authorizes the Finance Department to participate in the State of Wisconsin purchasing card program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Department shall administer such purchasing card program in accordance with the attached purchasing card policy and be authorized to make minor modifications to the policy as necessary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate this resolution.