CHARTER ORD.: 40

A CHARTER ORDINANCE to amend various sections of the Municipal Charter of the City of La Crosse to make changes to City Officer titles and responsibilities.

WHEREAS, Resolution 18-0668 was introduced to change the current positions and responsibilities for the Director of Finance/Purchase, the Director of Parks and Recreation, the City Engineer and the Director of Planning and Development, and

WHEREAS, the positions and/or duties of the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Public Works and the City Assessor were eliminated or reassigned previously, and

WHEREAS, these changes need to be reflected in the Charter Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of La Crosse do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Section 7 relating to the appointment and term of the City Assessor is hereby repealed.

SECTION II: Section 9 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 9. - Appointment and term of office of City Engineer. <u>Director of Engineering & Public</u> Works.

- (a) The provisions of Wis. Stat. § 62.09(3) and (5)(e) insofar as they relate to the appointment and term of office of the City Engineer Director of Engineering & Public Works are hereby made inapplicable to the City of La Crosse.
- (b) The City Engineer Director of Engineering & Public Works shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to the approval of the Common Council. The City Engineer Director of Engineering & Public Works shall hold office for an indeterminate term subject to removal by the Common Council for cause by vote of the Common Council.

SECTION III: Section 10 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10. - Department of Finance and Human Resources/Treasurer; Appointment of Director of Finance and Human Resources/Treasurer; service as Treasurer and Comptroller.

- (a) The provisions of Wis. Stat. § 62.09(1), (3) and (5)(e) insofar as they relate to the appointment and term of office of the Treasurer and Comptroller hereby made inapplicable to the City of La Crosse.
- (b) There shall be a Director of Finance and Human Resources/Treasurer who shall be appointed by the Common Council and shall hold office for an indeterminate term subject to removal by the Common Council for cause by vote of the Common Council. The Director of Finance and Human Resources/Treasurer shall be selected from a list of qualified applicants.
- (c) The duties of the Comptroller and Treasurer, as prescribed by the Wisconsin Statutes, shall be performed by the Director of Finance and Human Resources Treasurer. In addition the supervision of all purchasing is vested in the Department of Finance and Human Resources Treasurer.

SECTION IV: Section 11 related to appointment and term of Director of Human Resources is hereby repealed.

SECTION V: Section 12 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. - Appointment of Director of Planning, and Development and Assessment.

- (a) The provisions of Wis. Stat. § 62.09(3) and (5)(e) insofar as they relate to the appointment and term of the Director of Planning, and Development and Assessment are hereby made inapplicable to the City of La Crosse.
- (b) The Director of Planning, and Development and Assessment shall be appointed by the Mayor for an indeterminate term from a list of qualified applicants. Such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Common Council with removal for cause by vote of the Common Council.

SECTION VI: Section 13 regarding appointment and term of Director of Public Works is hereby repealed.

SECTION VII: Section 16 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 16. - Powers of Board of Park Commissioners; appointment and term of Director of Parks and Recreation, Forestry, Facilities and Grounds.

- (a) The provisions of Wis. Stat. § 62.09(3) and (5) insofar as they relate to the appointment and term of the Director of Parks and Recreation, Forestry, Facilities and Grounds and Wis. Stat. § 27.09(2) are hereby made inapplicable to the City of La Crosse.
- (b) The Director of Parks and Recreation, <u>Forestry, Facilities and Grounds</u> shall be appointed by the Board of Park Commissioners for an indeterminate term from a list of qualified applicants. Such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the Common Council with removal for cause by the Common Council.

SECTION VIII: Any charter provision or any previously enacted ordinance or charter ordinance inconsistent or in conflict herewith is hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION IX: This Charter Ordinance shall take effect and be in force sixty (60) days after passage and publication unless within said period a referendum petition shall be filed as provided in Section 66.0101 of the Wisconsin Statutes in which event this ordinance shall not take effect until submission to a referendum vote and approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

/s/ Timothy Kabat, Mayor /s/ Teri Lehrke, City Clerk

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