Resolution authorizing submittal of letter of interest regarding the acquisition of United States Postal Service property located at 425 State St and allocation of associated funds.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service (USPS) owns and operates its Main Office on 3.8 acres at 425 State Street in the City of La Crosse, which is comprised of parcels 17-20021-90, 17-20037-120 and 17-20169-20; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crosse is interested in working with the USPS to pursue this property as a redevelopment site, which may include a public safety facility for the La Crosse Police Department, Fire Department, Fire Prevention and Building Safety and Municipal Court, as well as possible location of a Public Market.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that the Mayor is authorized to submit a letter of interest to the USPS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will submit the required \$25,000 Project Initiation Fee to the USPS to be used by the USPS for internal planning and review.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that once said review is completed, a report and recommendation will be provided to the Common Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$10,000 for the Project Continuance Fee will be paid to the USPS if both the City and the USPS decide to move forward with additional due diligence on the transaction with both fees coming from the Contingency Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City will reevaluate the process after the above-mentioned steps to consider allocation of funds for the Responsibilities of Cost outlined in the attached letter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Planning & Development, and Director of Finance and Purchase are hereby authorized to take any and all steps to effectuate this resolution.