## Exhibit A

## Comments to the Request for a Loading Zone

- As the City of La Crosse has increased housing in the downtown area, one key component to
  happy residents is drop off sites for delivery. These efficient drops of areas become especially
  important for residents who may have a disability who rely on community-based resources for
  support. For example, dropping off groceries, supplies, home medical support, or being picked
  up for appointments, work, or outings. Not having a street convenience loading zone is a
  deterrent for people desiring to live downtown and restricts community accessibility for those
  with disabilities.
- This loading zone would benefit both the residents who reside in the neighborhood and those utilizing the neighborhood support services at the County Buildings, City Hall, and Western Technical College.
- 3. A loading zone's benefit also enables people in the neighborhood to be less car-dependent and utilize their vehicles with less frequency. We find that residents with a comfortable, efficient place to park and unload items for their residence are more contented to unload then park their cars off-site. Without the street drop off, residents are more demanding for a site parking space. Even though their car may sit dormant most of the month, this has a negative impact on densifying our community and forces developments to trade green spaces for asphalt.
- 4. As we have been on COVID lockdown, we have seen changes to our residential communities and residents' habits. The surge in the residential based drop off from FedEx, USPS, UPS, Grub Hub, restaurant, and other community-based deliveries has skyrocketed. Loading zones for these community-based services were enhanced at the door of our downtown business (and rightfully so), a critical key supply point to support our local businesses. The same enhancements and considerations are necessary for the other end of the local supply chain: Housing and efficient drop off.