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TO: Finance & Personnel Committee

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CC: Mayor Mitch Reynolds

Dan DeGier, Deputy Director of Finance and Human Resources

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DATE: August 2, 2022

RE: Request by City Plan Commission for project estimate and possible amendment

to 2023 - 2027 Capital Projects Budget.

At the July 18, 2022 meeting of the City Plan Commission (CPC), which served as the second of two Public Hearings regarding the proposed draft of the 2023 – 2027 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Budget, there was discussion directing the preparation of an engineering estimate for a pedestrian scale lighting project on Clinton Street, from Avon Street to George Street. This memo serves as a fulfillment of that request, for a possible amendment to the draft CIP. As the public hearings and CPC meetings have concluded, it is recommended that such an amendment be proposed by a Council Member on the floor of the appropriate meeting of the Finance & Personnel Committee.

1.) Change to 2026:

GOB affected:

New CIP # - Pedestrian Lighting - Clinton St, from Avon St to George St + \$500,000

The prepared estimate is based upon matching the pedestrian streetlighting standards established on La Crosse's north side with the George Street and Gillette Street lighting projects. The same design, including light and pole type, is proposed for Clinton Street. This provides a uniform approach for the look and style, and satisfies the selections previously made by the Neighborhood Association.

The requested project was the subject of discussion with Alderpersons and Neighborhood Association representatives in past years. However, the formal request for this project did not make the initial deadline for a new CIP request. This resulted in the subsequent discussions at CPC. Due to the relatively even and substantial spending, via funding by General Obligation Bonds, that is currently proposed for the category of Streetscaping & Lighting in the CIP over the next several years, it is recommended that this project initially be proposed for 2026.